

**ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
November 7, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Ashland City Council was held at the Ashland City Hall Council Chambers on the 7th day of November, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor James Anderson  
City Council President Chuck Niemeyer  
City Council Member Jake Crnkovich  
City Council Member Michelle Libal  
City Council Member Jerry Lofberg  
City Administrator Jessica Quady  
City Clerk Kathleen Sliva  
City Attorney Mark Fahleson

Others: Ron Styskal, Dan Linke, Scott Howard, Jim Pinkman, Duane Collins, Ryan Brady and others

Notice of meeting was advertised in the Ashland Gazette on November 1, 2024. The Mayor and all Council Members received advance notice of the meeting and a copy of the agenda as shown by the Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared. Anderson noted the Open Meetings Act located on the south wall of the room.

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Lofberg to adopt the regular agenda.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to approve Resolution 2024-12 – Signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Motion by Lofberg, second by Niemeyer to approve Contractor’s Application #3 for payment from Van Kirk Brothers Contracting for the Water Main Furnas & 30<sup>th</sup> Street Project in the amount of \$149,365.72.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Motion by Libal, second by Crnkovich to approve Change Order No. 9 for 2022 Dennis Dean

Road Improvements by M.E. Collins for a net decrease of \$311.34.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Lofberg to approve Contractor's Application for Payment #17 from M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc. for the 2022 Dennis Dean Road Improvements in the amount of \$52,182.00.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Lofberg to approve authorizing the Mayor to sign Planning Services Agreement with Confluence, Inc.

Zoning Administrator Krejci said this is an agreement with Confluence to put together a new Comprehensive Plan for the City.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to approve authorizing the Mayor to sign Firework Stand Agreement with 1517 Midwest, LLC.

City Administrator Quady said this will allow 1517 Midwest to rent land on the NRD ground to sell fireworks for three days at New Years.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Libal, second by Crnkovich to approve Change of Scope of Services Approval #3 with JEO Consulting Group Inc. for 2022 Dennis Dean Road Improvements.

City Administrator Quady said this will allow for the oversight and inspection of the Fir Street project.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Lofberg, second by Crnkovich to approve consent agenda which included approval of the October 17, 2024 City Council meeting minutes; and approval of pay requests from JEO Consulting Group Inc. for General Engineering in the amount \$2,570.00, for Water Supply Improvements in the amount of \$7,732.25, for Silver Street Improvements in the amount of \$6,876.00, for Dennis Dean Road Improvements in the amount of \$587.50, and for Water Main Furnas & 30<sup>th</sup> Streets in the amount of \$9,481.25.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Libal, second by Niemeyer to approve the second half of October 2024 Claims.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

City Attorney Fahleson administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Duane Collins.

Mayor Anderson reported Monday is Veterans Day and that the Legion Club will have a Veteran's Day dinner Saturday and there will be a free concert by the 43rd Army Band on Sunday. He also noted that the Christmas tree has been put up downtown.

Motion by Lofberg, second by Libal to adjourn at 7:17 p.m.

Roll Call:                      Ayes: All                      Motion Carried

  
James Anderson, Mayor

  
Kathleen Sliva, City Clerk



I, the above signed City Clerk of Ashland, Saunders County, Nebraska hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the proceedings had and done by the Council on November 7, 2024 that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty four hours prior to said meeting; that said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten business days or prior to the next convened meeting of said body.