

**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
School Board Meeting Room
1604 Sweetwater Avenue
April 5, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.
AGENDA**

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**
- **Open Meetings Act Announcement**

For the public's reference a copy of the Open Meetings Law has been posted on the north wall of this room in the audience area. This posting complies with the requirements of the Nebraska Legislature.
- **Invocation**

- A. **Employee Introductions**

Firefighter/EMT Jeremy Brungard
Firefighter/EMT Brad Schrum
Police Officer Matthew Shannon

- B. **Consent Calendar**

- C. **Proclamation - National Library Week**

- D. **Request of Habitat for Humanity and Certificate Presentation**

Maurine Roller, a member of the Habitat for Humanity of Box Butte County Board of Directors has requested time before the City Council to present a Certificate of Appreciation and to provide an update on their current project.

- E. **Resolution No. 07-36 - Appointments to the MEAN Boards**

This resolution will name Electric Superintendent Larry Heinrich as a representative to the MEAN Board of Directors, NMPP Members' Council, and the MEAN Management Committee. City Manager Pamela S. Caskie will serve as the City's alternate to these three committees.

- F. **Resolution No. 07-37 - Official Entrant/Nebraska Community Improvement Program**

This resolution declares the City of Alliance an official entrant in the Nebraska Community Improvement Program. This will be the 15th consecutive year Alliance has been involved in the program.

- G. **Resolution No. 07-38 - Golf Course Administrator Agreement**

Resolution No. 07-38 will approve entering into a Independent Contract Agreement with Doug Dietrich as our Golf Course Administrator. The Agreement has been amended from the original agreement made in 2002. A copy of the agreement has been included for Council's review.

- H. **Resolution No. 07-39 - NE Community Enhancement Program Grant Funding Reallocation**
 Resolution No. 07-39 will authorize the City to enter into a contract with the University of Nebraska - Nebraska Forest Service (UNL-NFS) for tree plantings. Staff proposes using the grant funds for the planting of trees in the Cemetery addition and in public right of way within city limits. The grant funds 80% of the total project costs up to a maximum amount of \$20,000. The remaining 20% will come from the Cemetery operating budget and participating property owners.
- I. **Resolution No. 07-40 - Bronco Lake Wellfield Change Order**
 This resolution will approve Change Order No. 3 for the Bronco Lake Wellfield project. Changes to the contract include the removal of rain gutters, down spouts, splash pads, two valves, and two motor savers. Given the location of these wells most of this hardware is not necessary. The motor savers are built into the motor control panels with lightning protection. We are adding the installation of the two exterior electrical services and installation of wiring, conduit and connections to SCADA equipment. SCADA equipment is being installed by City staff. The result of these changes is a net reduction to the contract in the amount of \$921.59.
- J. **Resolution No. 07-41 - Alley Rehabilitation Bid Award**
 Resolution No. 07-41 will award the Alley Rehabilitation Bid Award to Peltz Construction of Alliance, NE in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. The City of Alliance received four bids for this project; with Peltz Construction being the lowest, responsive, and responsible bid based on unit prices with a bid of \$24,050. The proposed alley will be in the 500 block between Box Butte and Laramie Avenues.
- K. **Resolution No. 07-42 - Sidewalk, Street, Curb & Gutter Rehabilitation Bid Award**
 This resolution will award the Streets, Sidewalk, Curb, and Gutter Rehabilitation project to Peltz Construction of Alliance, NE in the amount of \$67,650.00, subject to variation in jobs as specified by the City at the unit prices quoted in the bid. The City received four bids for this project. The Capital budget for this type of work is \$91,500; however, an amount not to exceed \$75,000 will be used toward this particular project.
- L. **Resolution No. 07-43 - Management Agreement with the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission**
 Resolution No. 07-43 will authorize the City to once again enter into a Management Agreement with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission to provide hunting access and habitat management for property located around the airport area. The City will continue to utilize the five pasture rotation grazing system already in place. A copy of the Management Agreement and a map identifying the property have been included in Council's packet.
- M. **Resolution No. 07-44 - Engineering Services Fees for Landfill Re-Permitting**
Resolution No. 07-45 - Contingency Authorization
 This item requires two actions; the first would be to select a firm to assist the City in the process of obtaining permits for the Municipal Landfill. Resolution No. 07-44 will authorize the City to contract with Baker & Associates to renew the Municipal Solid Waste permit in an amount not to exceed \$28,725.00. The City's current permit will expire in January, 2008 and prior to submitting the new application a comprehensive manual detailing the operation systems, groundwater monitoring procedures, and closure/post closure plans must be submitted. This document involves a significant amount of surveying, engineering, and hydrogeological modeling. The second action would be to transfer \$8,395 from the Landfill

Contingency Fund to the Landfill Professional Engineering Services line item. The current budget had \$25,500 for professional engineering services and a portion was previously used for the re-permitting of the transfer station, leaving a shortfall requiring the transfer.

N. **Resolution No. 07-46 - Recreation Liability Protection**

Resolution No. 07-46 endorses a letter of support from the City of Alliance for LB 564. LB 564 has been introduced in the Nebraska Legislature for the purpose of reinstating limited immunity for local political subdivisions when providing recreational activities, program, and facilities.

O. **First Quarter Report**

Finance Director King has prepared the First Quarter Financial Report for Council's review and approval.

P. **Resolution No. 07-47 - Transfer of Property for Veteran's Cemetery**

This resolution has been prepared to transfer an estimated 20 acres of land located on the south side of the current Rifle Range for the new Veteran's Cemetery. Upon passage of this resolution the Federal Aviation Administration will be asked to give their approval. The resolution is contingent upon the State of Nebraska receiving funding . An additional 60 acres of buffer ground is being sought as an option for future purchase, which will be considered separately at a later date.

Q. **Establish a Date for a Special Council Meeting**

Staff is recommending Council conduct a Special Meeting to review the next phase of the Water Study. The date discussed for this meeting is Thursday, May 3rd starting at 3:00 p.m. Representatives from Olsson & Associates are available for this date.

R. **Board Appointment**

The City of Alliance is in receipt of a Letter of Interest from Earl Jones to be reappointed to the Board of Adjustment for an additional three year term expiring December 31, 2009. A copy of Mr. Jones' request and a current Board Listing has been included in Council's packet for your information. Vacancies remain on the following boards: Board of Adjustment, EDP Citizen Advisory Board, Alliance Housing Authority, Park and Tree Board, and Planning Commission.

■ **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Jines
City Clerk