

**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
School Board Meeting Room
1604 Sweetwater Avenue
July 19, 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. **Consent Calendar**

B. **Request of Darryl W. Dockins**

Mr. Dockins would like to discuss with the City Council a complaint on the condition of the property located at 519 Yellowstone Avenue. A copy of his request has been made a part of the City Council's packet.

C. **Request of Box Butte Development Corporation**

Mr. John Olafson, Executive Director of Box Butte Development Corporation has made a request to appear before Council and present a progress report of the agency's activities. A copy of the Director's Report/Strategic Plan Matrix has been included in the packet for Council's review.

D. **Request of Marina Girard**

Mrs. Girard would like to discuss with Council future improvements to Sweetwater Avenue. Included for Council's information is an Issue Paper on this matter prepared by City Manager Pam Caskie, a copy of the Agreement between the City of Alliance and Box Butte County, and photo maps of the area.

E. **Ordinance No. 2571 - Third Reading**

Municipal Code Amendment - Weapons on City Owned Property

Ordinance No. 2571 which declares the possession or presence of firearms or dangerous weapons on various properties owned by the City of Alliance unlawful is before Council on third reading. In a previous amendment to the ordinance the City facilities were defined as the Municipal Building, Fire Station, Alliance Learning Center, and the Utility Facility. Other City facilities which are not named, and the City's parks and other open areas, are not included in the prohibition.

F. **Resolution No. 07-86 - CRP-MAP Contract for Airport Property**

Resolution No. 07-86 will authorize a two year Contract Extension with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission in cooperation with Pheasants Forever, Inc. and the Nebraska Environmental Trust. The contract allows for walk in hunting to the public on certain properties in the vicinity of the Alliance Municipal Airport. The contract provides for a payment of \$1.00 per acre. The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission has offered a two year contract; however, staff is recommending the acceptance of a one year renewal.

G. **Resolution No. 07-87 - Tourism Advantage Matching Grant Program Application**

Resolution No. 07-87 will authorize staff to submit a grant application for the Tourism Advantage Matching Grant Program with the Nebraska Travel and Tourism Division of the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. The grant application will be for \$50,000, which will be matched by the City of Alliance on a one dollar for each dollar of the grant approved basis. The money will be used for advertising, marketing, and promotional efforts of the current branding project. The City's matching funds are in the proposed 2007-08 budget.

H. **Board Resignation**

The City of Alliance has received the resignation of Sherri Fry from the Alliance Museum Board. Ms. Fry's term was to expire May 31, 2010.

Staff is currently working on language to amend the Alliance Municipal Code describing the responsibilities of the Museum Board. This is scheduled to be before Council in the next couple of meetings. Once completed, a recruitment effort will take place to fill the current vacancies on the Museum Board.

■ **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Jines
City Clerk