

ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, THURSDAY, JULY 5, 2007

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 CITY OF ALLIANCE)

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, July 5, 2007 at 7:00 p.m., in the Board of Education Meeting Room, 1604 Sweetwater Avenue. A notice of meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald on June 28, 2007. The notice stated the date, hour and place of the meeting, that the meeting was open to the public, and that an agenda of the meeting, kept continuously current, was available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk in City Hall; provided the Council could modify the agenda at the meeting if it determined an emergency so required. A similar notice, together with a copy of the agenda, also had been delivered to each of the City Council Members. An agenda, kept continuously current, was available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours from the publication of the notice to the time of the meeting.

Mayor Kusek opened the July 5, 2007 Regular Meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Kusek, Council Members Dickenson, Benzel, Rowley, and Yeager. Also present were City Manager Caskie, Interim City Attorney Miller and City Clerk Jines.

- The first item to come before Council was the Consent Calendar.

Motion by Councilman Dickenson, seconded by Councilman Benzel, to approve the Consent Calendar which follows in its entirety:

CONSENT CALENDAR - JULY 5, 2007

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, June 21, 2007.
2. Approval: Payroll and Employer Taxes for the period June 2, 2007 through June 15, 2007, inclusive; \$158,915.68 and \$11,379.05 respectively.
3. Approval: Claims against the following funds for June 18, 2007 through July 2, 2007; General, General Debt Service, Trust and Agency, Street, Electric, Refuse Collection and Disposal, Sanitary Sewer, Water, Golf Course, Downtown Improvement Districts, R.S.V.P., Keno, and Capital Improvement:

\$858,707.44.

- 4. Approval: The *Request for Reserved or Exclusive Use of City Streets* by the Alliance Chamber of Commerce to close the 200 block of Box Butte Avenue on Thursday, July 19th starting at noon. The request in being made for the Seventh Street Dance Studio to perform on Thursday evening. This request is for an additional day. A copy of the request has been included for Council’s review.

- 5. Approval: Update the roster of the Alliance Volunteer Fire Department by adding Jennifer M. Hinman and removing Roger Bedient, Anthony Coffey, and Eldon Offutt.

- 6. Approval: Issuance of the following contractor licenses:
 - Repair & Maintenance Phillip E. Caudell, Jr.
 - Master Plumber. Joe Weber dba Weber Plumbing & Heating
 - Gas Fitter. Joe Weber dba Weber Plumbing & Heating

NOTE: City Manager Caskie has reviewed these expenditures and to the best of her knowledge confirms that they are within budgeted appropriations to this point in the fiscal year.

Mayor Kusek questioned the additional day of street closure request by the Chamber of Commerce for Heritage Days. City Clerk Jines advised Council that there will be entertainment on both Friday and Saturday and that the street must be closed at noon to allow motorists to remove their parked cars prior to the event. He also questioned a charge to both C.A.R.S. and EMC wondering if two separate vehicles are involved or if the deductible and the repair are both being paid. City Manager Caskie advised Council that she will research the question and reply to Council. Councilwoman Rowley inquired about a charge for a design logo. City Manager Caskie advised Council that the City purchased the rights to a logo that had been designed for the golf course.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Kusek, Dickenson, Benzel, Rowley, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item to be presented to Council was an overview of the Proposed 2007-2008 Budget by City Manager Pam Caskie.

The following memo was issued by City Manager Caskie:

[The annual budget for a City is a major undertaking that focuses the energies of much of the organization for a significant period of time and a good deal of the energies of the Budget Officer and Finance Director for the couple of months prior to the budget's presentation. The budget represents not only a planning tool for guiding future purchasing decisions but also is a legal document bound by certain state requirements. Like many disciplines within the world of government bureaucracies, budgets have their own peculiar vocabulary (e.g. CIP, CEP, Lid Limits, levies, COLA, etc.) and their own calendars. A dictionary of terms and a calendar are included in this budget for your use in deciphering the document and the process.

The City Budget is made up of many funds. The General fund is most commonly thought of as **THE** City Budget, however, the budget is actually comprised of 21 funds, from the little used HUD fund to the largest fund – the Electric Fund. Funds have different designations based on their intent. The General Fund supports the expenditures of all City services not required to be reported elsewhere. An Enterprise Fund is a fund, usually a utility, that has its own revenue source based on something other than taxes and business-like transactions take place within this fund. A Special Revenue fund is a fund with revenues dedicated towards a specific purpose. The revenues may or may not be tax funds. An Internal Service Fund is a fund where all of the revenue generated is generated from within the city organization. Debt Service funds support payment of debt while Capital Project funds account for the expenditures of large capital projects or equipment.

Over the past few years, the General Fund which has as a revenue base property tax and sales tax, has become increasingly difficult to budget. Slow growing property and sales taxes in combination with double digit inflationary increases for health insurance and certain petroleum based expenditures has made balancing the budget difficult. As the budgets get tighter and tighter, I am always concerned that unexpected difficulties, a breakdown, or unanticipated need may create budget difficulties that keep the City from being able to respond with the sort of long term perspective that serves our citizenry the best.

GENERAL BUDGET ISSUES:

- Health insurance is budgeted at a 15% increase and for those employees who chose not to take the health insurance, we have budgeted an increase from \$1,200 to \$2,800. These employees have not seen an increase in this amount for a number of years where the value of the benefit received by the other employees has gone up significantly.
- Salaries are increased, not by position, but by fund as we are awaiting the results of the pay classification/compensation plan that is currently underway.
- We are proposing to upgrade our accounting package from their old product offering to their new Clarity product which gives our department heads greater reporting and management tools.

- Fuel and utility prices continue to grow as an increasing part of the each department's budget.
- After years of discussion about our need for Fleet maintenance, I am recommending that we eliminate one position from Fleet, transfer an employee to a vacant position, and keep one mechanic to do the work that we need done and keep up with the condition of our vehicles so we may evaluate turnover requirements effectively.

SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS:

We have funded the following significant projects to support City Council Goals:

- ★ Branding: \$100,000 has been set aside of LB840 funds to market and brand the City so that we may attract people to live in, work in, and visit the community.
- ★ Knight Museum: \$125,000 of Sales Tax Reserve funds have been proposed to support the start-up of the new Knight Museum and Sandhills Center. We need to increase the amount of personnel support for the facility and therefore I am recommending the director be a full time position and that addition of 20 hours of part-time support be added as well. There are capital needs that we have for the start-up of the new building and we are uncertain of how to appropriately budget utilities and cleaning for a building when we are not even certain when we will be opening the facility. We propose to only use those funds that are necessary to support the new building.
- ★ Water Quality and Quantity Study: We are under state mandate to make changes to our water system to appropriately deal with higher than allowed arsenic levels. We have proposed a bond issuance of \$7,000,000. We do not believe that the ultimate cost of the project will go that high but we are being conservative in our calculations because one scenario does range into high \$6 million. The engineering work on this issue is on-going and our direction will become clearly as we get down the road, in the meantime we have to throw the dart on the board somewhere.

SPECIFIC FUND DISCUSSIONS:

GENERAL FUND: In addition to the impact of the Knight Museum, we are also looking to put money aside for the demolition of the pool, the repair of the Sunken Gardens, continuation of funding of Capital Equipment through depreciation calculations, and rebuilding Sudman Baseball Fields bathrooms to provide for handicapped accessibility. The Police Department continues to be funded at 18 sworn personnel while authorizing 19 for training purposes only. In order to accommodate the need for additional personnel who can "man" the museum, while volunteers are used to actually staff it, the Administrative Specialist has been relocated from the Parks Department to the Museum. Her duties won't change directly, but her location will in order to give us a staff person to open the facility more hours.

STREET FUND: The 10th Street project continues to be funded at \$700,000 and \$200,000 is

proposed to be set aside for use on other streets as needed.

ELECTRIC FUND: The first step of a two step rate increase for the electric department went into effect this past January. Another step takes effect at the start of the fiscal year, October 1. While the fund balance shows an increase, the intent of the rate increase was to build the fund balance in the first 2 years of the rate, break even about year 3 and then use fund balance in years 4 and 5 before needed to review the rates again. We have budgeted a significant amount for work within the system this year, including \$250,000 for substation maintenance to improve our reliability. I am also proposing to increase the authorized staff by one person right now in anticipation of a future retirement. We have an seasonal employee, who is a graduate of the WNCC Lineman's school, that we would like to hang on to.

REFUSE FUND: While we had anticipated requiring a rate hike in this fund this year, we are able to avoid it due to a higher than average volume from the gate receipts. We cannot depend on this each year and so I anticipate that we will need to review rates in the very near future for this fund.

SEWER: I am recommending a 5% across the board rate hike in the Sewer Fund. It has been many years since any increase was needed in this fund. A larger than normal share of this fund goes to the General Fund. In an effort to get each of these funds to 12.5, which is what the Electric Fund is paying, I have reduce the Sewer funds contribution by \$25,000. We need to do more but I recommend weaning this number down. The rate increase is small and will be a slight impact. The future activity in the fund suggests that this rate increase should be able to carry the fund for several years.

WATER: We are proposing to issue debt to cover our major expenses there and the 10% rate hike is the beginning of higher costs for water usage. We are not recommending a change in the rate design at this time but instead to spend the next year discussing what type of rate design we would like to see. That would mean the 10% rate would just be across the board. If Council would like to move on a redesign sooner, we need to discuss what type of changes we would like.

GOLF: The Golf Fund is the only Fund that I am handing you that is not balanced. We are meeting with the Golf Course Advisory Board to discuss possibilities. I have recommended a General Fund subsidy of \$30,000 but the fund is still \$48,000 out of balance. I have a fee increase that I would like to propose to the Advisory Council but that will generate only \$12,000. We need to deal with the remaining deficit.

AIRPORT: There are no large city managed projects in this upcoming Airport budget. The fund balance here is being used to support the Airport fund. We have increased the number of personnel over the past year in response to the FAA Inspection. We will need to evaluate these costs in light of the decreasing fund balance.

RSVP: The RSVP Fund is a Federal Grant that supports the use of senior citizens in areas in need

of volunteers. The grant requires a local match. Over the past number of years, the Community Betterment Funds have been used to provide this match, along with in-kind services. The full-time and part-time person who work for the program are City staff. As our wages and benefits increase, so does the cost of the program. I have proposed a \$2,000 increase in the City's contribution and I have proposed that the City seek additional support from the other agencies that get a direct benefit from the R&SVP services, including the School District, Box Butte County, and the Village of Hemingford. If these contribution are provided, then this fund will be balanced, otherwise, we will need find an additional \$6,000 in funding for this vital program.

LB840: This fund supports economic development efforts that increase employment and economic vitality for the City. We are proposing that we spend \$100,000 this year on the community branding process that the City is in the midst of currently.

I want to thank all of those who assisted in putting this budget together. A budget of this size is obviously not done by one person alone. Administrative Assistant Tony Tolstedt serves as our Budget Officer and he had done a yeoman's job for his first year of tackling this. Leah King has guided him and done her usual excellent job of making certain nothing gets overlooked. Other staff have picked up workloads as we concentrated on the budget and had their jobs impacted because we were too busy or preoccupied with this process to take care of the normal ebbs and flows of the City workplace.

This budget is presented to you as our best effort and our best recommendation, however, we fully recognize Council's responsibility to provide a budget that not only works for staff but works for the citizens as a whole. We therefore look forward to working with you as you grapple with these issues over the next few weeks. If there are specific things that we may do to help you make these decisions easier, please contact us and we will do everything we can to provide that information timely so that we can move this process along. Thank you and I look forward to working with you on completing the endeavor.]

- The second reading of Ordinance No. 2571 declaring the possession or presence of firearms for dangerous weapons on various properties owned by the City of Alliance unlawful was the next item for Council's discussion.

Motion by Councilman Benzel, seconded by Councilwoman Rowley to approve Ordinance No. 2571 on second reading. City Clerk Jines read the ordinance by title which follows in its entirety:

ORDINANCE NO. 2571

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE POSSESSION OR PRESENCE OF FIREARMS OR DANGEROUS WEAPONS ON CERTAIN CITY OF ALLIANCE PROPERTY TO BE UNLAWFUL, AND REPEALING EXISTING PROVISIONS OF CITY CODE NOT CONSISTENT HEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. Cities of the First Class are permitted by law to regulate the possession of weapons for the protection of their citizens.

SECTION 2. The Alliance Municipal Code currently regulates the use of certain weapons within the City of Alliance.

SECTION 3. Chapter 6, Article 4 of the Alliance Municipal Code is hereby amended, by the addition of the sections following:

6-401.01 POSSESSION OF FIREARMS AND DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN CITY FACILITIES OR ON CITY REAL ESTATE, PROHIBITED.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly possess or cause to be present a firearm or other dangerous weapon on City real estate or any improvements thereon at the following locations:
- Municipal Building Complex located at 320 Laramie, Alliance, Nebraska;
 - Fire Station located at 315 Cheyenne, Alliance, Nebraska;
 - Alliance Learning Center located at 1750 Sweetwater, Alliance, Nebraska;
 - Utility Facility located at 1313 West First Street, Alliance, Nebraska.
- B. This section shall not apply to possession of a firearm or other dangerous weapon by:
1. An officer, agent, or employee of a state or a political subdivision thereof who is authorized by law to engage in or supervise the prevention, detection, investigation, or prosecution of any violation of law, while in the lawful performance of official duties.
 2. An instructor or registered student when in connection with an educational or training program.
 3. City authorized shows, performances and/or exhibitions displaying or using guns and/or knives.

6-401.02 DEFINITIONS.

For the purposes of Section 6-401.01 the following words shall have the following meanings:

- a) Dangerous weapon shall mean any firearm, stun gun, knife, switchblade knife, any gun which releases any propelled object by spring mechanism, compressed air or compressed gas, or any other instrument the use of which is intended or likely to cause death or bodily injury.
- b) Knife shall mean any dagger, dirk, knife, or stiletto with a blade over three and one-half inches in length or any other dangerous instrument capable of inflicting cutting, stabbing, or tearing wounds, other than knives used for culinary purposes.

- c) Stun gun shall mean any handheld electronic device that is powered by an internal power source such as batteries, and that is capable of introducing an electrical current into the body of a person which when introduced to the body shall be capable of disrupting a person's central nervous system and rendering the person temporarily incapable of normal functioning, for any period of time whatsoever. The electrical current may be introduced into the human body by means of direct pressure to the body from fixed electrodes on the electronic device and/or by one or more electrodes attached to a length of wire or other connection and which upon being fired from a firearm or any other mechanical device, strikes the human body and produces the reaction described herein.

SECTION 4. That current applicable City Codes of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances, resolutions, policies, and procedures of the City of Alliance which are not consistent with the terms hereof, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval, passage, and publication according to law.

Guy Hielscher, 6550 Otoe Road, addressed Council informing them that pocket knives three and one half inches and under are acceptable under the law. He also advised Council that as a courtesy, signs should be posted in the doorways of the affected buildings.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Kusek, Dickenson, Benzel, Rowley, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item for Council's review was Ordinance No. 2570 relating to the rezoning of property located in the west part of Homestead Addition from RP-5 (Single Family Mobile Home) to R-1A (Single Family Residential).

Motion by Councilman Yeager, seconded by Councilman Dickenson to approve Ordinance No. 2570 which follows in its entirety:

ORDINANCE NO. 2570

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE, ORDINANCE NO. 1890, SPECIFICALLY 10-302, THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP, BY AMENDING THE ZONING OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND AS DESCRIBED HEREIN FROM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL MOBILE HOME (RP-5) TO SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL(R1-A).

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE:

SECTION 1. The City of Alliance has zoning authority pursuant to law which provides procedures for changing the zoning designation of certain parcels of property.

SECTION 2. The application of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, has been received, which requests rezoning of certain parcels of real estate from Single-Family Residential Mobile Home (RP-5) to Single-Family Residential (R1-A). The description of the real estate requested to be rezoned is as follows:

Replat of Homestead Second Addition, Block 2, to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska, according to the recorded plat thereof;

and

Portions of Homestead Third Addition, to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska, according to the recorded plat thereof,

Block 3: Lots 20, 21

Block 4: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17

Block 5: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

Block 6: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Block 7: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Block 8: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Block 9: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19

SECTION 3. Notice has been mailed, published, and posted as required by law regarding the proposed change prior to a public hearing held by the Planning Commission. Six property owners were mailed notice. All responses were disinterested.

SECTION 4. After a public hearing held before the Alliance Planning Commission, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zoning.

SECTION 5. Notice has been given as provided by law for a public hearing by the Alliance City Council, and such a hearing was conducted on June 7, 2007.

SECTION 6. The City Council finds that the proposed zoning change is appropriate for consistent zoning within the zoning jurisdiction the City of Alliance, Nebraska, and is consistent with the comprehensive plan as adopted by the City of Alliance.

SECTION 7. The parcels described herein at paragraph number 2 of this ordinance are hereby rezoned from Single-Family Residential Mobile Home (RP-5) to Single-Family Residential (R1-A) as of the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. Changes to the authentic zoning district map on file in the Planning Commission office shall be made by city staff to reflect this change in zoning designation.

SECTION 9. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval, and publication according to law.

Roll call vote to approve Ordinance No. 2570 on final reading with the following results:

Voting Aye: Kusek, Dickenson, Benzel, Rowley, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Mayor Kusek stated, “the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 2570 has been concurred by a majority of all members elected to the Council, I declare it passed, adopted and order it published.”

- The next item for Council’s discussion was Ordinance No. 2569 amending the Alliance Municipal Code at Chapter 2, Article 11 regarding Unarmed Sports.

Motion by Councilman Dickenson, seconded by Councilman Benzel to approve Ordinance No. 2569 on third reading. City Clerk Jines read the ordinance by title which follows in its entirety:

ORDINANCE NO. 2569

AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING MIXED MARTIAL ARTS AND OTHER UNARMED SPORTS ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, AND REPEALING EXISTING PROVISIONS OF CITY CODE NOT CONSISTENT HEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. The Nebraska Legislature has recently passed LB 471, which placed mixed martial arts under the control of the Nebraska State Athletic Commissioner.

SECTION 2. The Alliance City Council finds that sports such as mixed martial arts and other similar activities should be allowed under only certain controlled situations to provide for public safety and to protect the public interest.

SECTION 3. The Alliance Municipal Code is hereby amended at Chapter 2, by adding an Article 11, consisting of the following sections:

ARTICLE 11

UNARMED SPORTS

2-1101. UNARMED SPORTS; RESTRICTIONS

Unarmed sports, including mixed martial arts as defined under Nebraska law, in which competitors seek to achieve dominance over the other by using physical techniques, including, but not limited to, grappling, kicking, and striking, are prohibited in the law enforcement jurisdiction of the City of Alliance, unless the sports promoters and contestants are properly registered, licensed, and permitted by the Nebraska State Athletic Commissioner, pursuant to Nebraska law at Chapter 81, Article 8, and all applicable regulations as may exist from time to time.

2-1102. UNARMED SPORTS; EXCEPTIONS

Section 2-1101 shall not apply to: a) Activities occurring under the direct supervision of a martial arts instructor at a place of training or other types of instructor-student, or student-student contact occurring under the supervision of an instructor at a place of training. b) Activities which are excepted by Section 81-8,129 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, as amended by LB 471, passed May 10, 2007 by the Nebraska Legislature.

2-1103. UNARMED SPORTS; CONDUCTED

Unarmed sports meeting the definition of 2-1101 may be conducted within the law enforcement jurisdiction of the City of Alliance only after issuance of a Conditional Use Permit, by the City Council, to the promoter and owner of the property on which the event is conducted. The process for obtaining a Conditional Use Permit provided by the Alliance Municipal Code shall be followed, except that review by the Planning Commission is not required. A separate permit shall be required for each event.

2-1104. UNARMED SPORTS; ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PROHIBITED

Alcoholic beverages may not be served, and may not be present, at any unarmed sports activity meeting the definition of 2-1101.

2-1105. UNARMED SPORTS; EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

All events which occur pursuant to this Ordinance shall be conducted only when emergency medical services are on a standby status. The holder of the permit for the event shall pay the cost of the standby emergency medical services.

SECTION 4. That current applicable City Codes of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval, passage, and publication according to law.

Roll call vote to approve Ordinance No. 2569 on final reading with the following results:

Voting Aye: Kusek, Dickenson, Benzel, Rowley, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Mayor Kusek stated, "the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 2569 has been concurred by a majority of all members elected to the Council, I declare it passed, adopted and order it published."

- Resolution No. 07-84 approving the Special Designated License Application of the Newberry Foundation for alcohol sales during Heritage Days was the next item to come before Council.

Motion by Mayor Kusek, seconded by Councilman Dickenson to approve Resolution No. 07-84 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 07-84

WHEREAS, The City Clerk has received an application of the Newberry Foundation, for a special designated license pursuant to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; and

WHEREAS, Said act requires the approval of applications by the local governing body prior to such a license being issued by the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission; and

WHEREAS, The application appears to be complete and meet the statutory requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that the Application for Special Designated License of the Newberry Foundation for July 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21, 2007 is hereby approved for the premises described in the application, and the City Clerk shall inform the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the approval of the application, and the Clerk shall deliver the license issued by said Commission to the permittee upon receipt of the required fees.

City Clerk Jines advised Council that the liquor will only be sold from their facility and that ID's will be checked at the door and at the bar with no minors allowed inside. An identification number is required and will be obtained by July 6, 2007.

Dennis McCullah, 1020 Potash advised Council that the beer garden will be in the rear of the building with access through both the front and side doors.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Kusek, Dickenson, Benzel, Rowley, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The last item on Council's agenda was Resolution No. 07-85 authorizing a two year Contract Extension with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission to allow for walk-in hunting on certain properties at the City Well Field.

Motion by Councilwoman Rowley, seconded by Councilman Dickenson to approve Resolution No. 07-85 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 07-85

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance owns a well field west of Alliance for potable water supply purposes; and

WHEREAS, The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission has offered renewal of the CRP-MAP program which requires undisturbed vegetation and walk-in hunting access, and other contract conditions; and

WHEREAS, City staff has reviewed the proposed contract and recommends its renewal for a two year period at a rate of \$330.00 annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that CRP-MAP contract number 1090, regarding parts of :

E¹/₂NW¹/₄, W¹/₂NE¹/₄, and N¹/₂ SW¹/₄ of Section 6, Township 24, Range 48
S¹/₂NE¹/₄, East 165' of SE¹/₄ of Section 1, Township 24, Range 49

is hereby approved, and the Mayor is authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the City of Alliance.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Kusek, Dickenson, Benzel, Rowley, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Mayor Kusek stated, "there being no further business to come before the Alliance City Council,

the meeting is adjourned at 7:45 p.m.”

Dan Kusek, Mayor

(SEAL)

Linda S. Jines, City Clerk