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ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
School Board Meeting Room  
1604 Sweetwater Avenue  
June 19, 2018 - 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 and Pledge of Allegiance**
- A. Consent Calendar**  
Approval of Minutes, Payroll and Claims  
Contractors Licenses  
Cemetery Certificate  
Resolution No. 18-72 - Agreement with Box Butte County for Public Transit Funding and Vehicle Leasing  
Resolution No. 18-73 – BBDC Economic Development Repayment Extension  
Conditional Use Permit Annual Review for 312 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Bond Disclosure Annual Check List Filing and Training Certification  
Charter Channel Line-up  
Notice from MEAN regarding Standard Avoided Rate Cost and Wind Resource Pool
- B. Ordinance No. 2860 – First Reading**  
**Municipal Code Amendment – Electric Primary Metering**  
Ordinance No. 2860 is before Council on first reading and will amend Section 28-161 of the Alliance Municipal Code regarding the provisions related to primary metering and clearly outlining the responsibility of City and the customer, in regards to the installation of services, equipment and maintenance.
- C. Ordinance No. 2861 – First Reading**  
**Municipal Code Amendment – Bicycle Use in the Downtown Area**  
Ordinance No. 2861 is before Council on first reading and will amend the Alliance Municipal Code by removing Section 26-160 which will repeal the prohibition of bicycle use within certain locations of the downtown area.
- D. Ordinance No. 2859 – Second Reading**  
**Rezoning Request of Rodney Blakemen**  
Ordinance No. 2859 is before Council on second reading and will approve the request of Rodney Blakeman to rezone the eastern most 290.5 feet of Block 2, Blakeman Subdivision to M-2, Heavy Industrial from R-4, Mobile Home Park Residential. The property is located at the northwest corner of the intersection of West 6th Street and Ramblin Road. The purpose of the rezone is to combine adjacent land into one parcel and to prevent the new parcel from having two zoning designations.

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**E. Public Hearing – Entertainment Liquor License Application of D-Head Inc. dba The Gathering Spot Resolution No. 18-74**

Now is the date, time and place to conduct a Public Hearing on the Entertainment District Application of D-Head Inc. dba The Gathering Spot, 213 Box Butte Avenue, Alliance, NE. This license is required in order to participate within the Entertainment District. Resolution No. 18-74 has been prepared for Council’s consideration and will recommend the granting of the license to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission.

**F. Special Events Request of the Alliance Disc Golf Committee**

The Alliance Disc Golf Committee is requesting the use of the Rolling Prairie Disc Golf Course at Laing Lake on July 14, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to host the “Trilogy Challenge at the Prairie”. Mr. Robert Cerv who currently serves as Chair on the Alliance Disc Golf Committee, is the director of the tournament. Mr. Cerv understands a Certificate of Liability Insurance will be required in order to host the tournament and he will provide proof to the City prior to the event. An event flyer is attached for Council’s review.

**G. Special Events Request of the Class of 1988 to Host Reunion Activities within Central Park**

The Class of 1988 will be conducting various reunions activities during the week of Heritage Days 2018. Natalie Miller, 1998 class representative, has requested the use of the open area within Central Park, on Saturday, July 21, 2018 to host and conduct Olympic games and events. Fun Services, Inc. out of Colorado will be providing inflatable bounce houses/obstacles courses for some of the events. Ms. Miller has discussed plans and location with Cultural and Leisure Services Director Shana Brown and a Certificate of Liability has been received, listing the City as an additional insured. A full packet outlining the events has been included in the Council packet for review.

**H. Resolution No. 18-75 – Modification to Drug Testing Policies**

The U.S. Department of Transportation revised their drug and alcohol testing regulations, resulting in the City’s need to update our current drug testing policies to be compliant with the new regulations. Resolution No. 18-75 will authorize the updates.

**I. Resolution No. 18-76 – Box Butte Development Corporation Support Agreement**

Resolution No. 18-76 will approve the Support Agreement between the City and Box Butte Development Corporation “BBDC”. This Agreement states the City will make an annual payment of \$75,000 to BBDC in quarterly installments for the promotion of the City, its amenities and events within the area. The initial term of the Agreement will begin on October 1, 2018 and will continue for a period of three-years until September 30, 2021.

**J. Resolution No. 18-77 – Airport Snow Blower Bid Award**

Resolution No. 18-77 will award the Airport Snow Blower Bid Award to NE Environmental Products of Lincoln, NE in the amount of \$738,042. The estimate for this project was \$750,000 with the Federal Aviation Administration participating at the current funding level of 90% and the City providing the 10% match.

**K. Discussion Alliance Sales Tax Renewal**

The City of Alliance currently has sales tax set at 1.5% with 20% of general fund revenues derived from City’s sale tax. The sales tax will be on the November 2018 ballot for renewal and if eliminated, the City would have to seek different options such as raising property taxes, reallocating hotel taxes, adjusting enterprise transfers, raising rents and fees, etc. to offset the lost sales tax; however, not all of those adjustments would most likely replace the lost revenue and some adjustments would be likely. In addition, Legal has prepared draft Economic Development Plan Renewal documents as part as the discussion.

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**L. Discussion Regarding the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Overlay Project**

Doug Hoevet, District 5 Engineer with the Nebraska Department of Transportation, provided two estimates for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Overlay Project that outlines the four-lane option vs. a three-lane option. Staff is seeking recommendation from Council on which option to move forward.

**M. Discussion Regarding the Alliance Public Schools Track Property**

The Alliance Public School District is in the process of replacing the track and other concrete surfaces associated with the track property. The new track surface will not fit in the footprint of the old track and the School District has requested the City Council vacate the south 8 feet of the right-of-way for East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, with ownership of said vacated portion be transferred to the adjacent property owner. Construction drawings intend to pave the new track over an existing 10” sanitary sewer main and City staff and the School District are concerned if the sewer main were to fail, it would require the demolition of the new track and ultimately ruining it. The narrative included in the Council packet proposes three possible solutions for Council’s review and recommendation.

**N. Board Appointments**

The City received an application from Father Coke McClure to serve on the Park and Tree Board and Library Board. The Library Board will have two member terms expiring on June 30, 2018 and the Park and Tree Board has two vacancies with terms set to expire February 28, 2019 and February 28, 2020.

The City received an application from Shaylee Messersmith to serve as one of the student Library Ex-Officio representatives on the Alliance Library Board. There are currently two vacancies, with both terms expiring June 30, 2021.

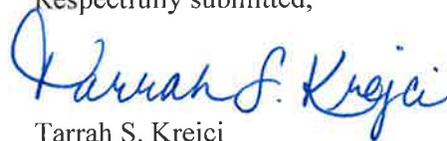
Currently we have vacancies on the Board of Adjustment, Downtown Improvement Districts A-1 and A-2, Economic Development Plan Citizen Advisory Board, two junior ex-officio members of the Library Board, Park and Tree Board and Planning Commission. Anyone interested in serving on these Boards should contact the City Clerk’s Office. Information on all of the City Boards is also available on our web site, [www.cityofalliance.net](http://www.cityofalliance.net).

**O. Closed Session – Personnel Matter**

Pursuant to Section 84-1410 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska 1943, that Council finds it necessary to enter into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter.

▪ **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,



Tarrah S. Krejci  
Deputy City Clerk

† Added by addendum to agenda 24 hours prior to the meeting.

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into closed session as per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

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