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ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2019

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The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, November 19, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Meeting Room, 1604 Sweetwater Avenue, Alliance, Nebraska. A notice of meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald on November 13, 2019. 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 Dafney opened the November 19, 2019 regular meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:01 p.m. Present were Mayor Dafney, Council Members Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds and Bentley. Also present were City Manager Sprock, City Attorney Hoelsing and City Clerk Jines.

- Mayor Dafney read the Open Meetings Act Announcement.
- Council was introduced to our new employees: Police Canine Zeus with Handler Officer Vera Chavez, and Jake McCaffrey – Parks Maintenance Worker. It was announced that Traci Hadden has been hired as a Public Transit Driver.
- The Consent Calendar was the next matter before Council. A motion was made by Councilman Mischnick, seconded by Councilman Bentley to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR – NOVEMBER 19, 2019

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, November 5, 2019.
2. Approval: Payroll Costs for the period October 19 through November 1, 2019: \$323,497.42.
3. Approval: Claims against the following funds for the period of October 31 through November 13, 2019: General, General Debt Service, Trust and Agency, Street, Electric,

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Refuse Collection and Disposal, Sanitary Sewer, Water, Golf Course, Downtown Improvement Districts, R.S.V.P., Keno, and Capital Improvement; \$1,514,473.25.

4. Approval: Update to the Alliance Volunteer Fire Department by adding Anthony Wilcox.
5. Approval: Issuance of a Cemetery Certificate to Donna R. Parascand for Lot Twelve (12), Section Three (3), Block Twenty-eight (28), Fourth Addition to the Alliance Cemetery.
6. Approval: Resolution No. 19-105 approving Change Order No. 1 to the 2019 Storm Drain Jetting & Inspection Project. This change order reduces the bid quantities to coincide with the budgetary limit of \$100,000 to the contract.
7. Approval: Resolution No. 19-106 will certify the 2019 City Street Superintendent to the Nebraska Department of Transportation to qualify for an annual Incentive Payment.
8. Approval: Resolution No. 19-107 designating Ross Grant as the City's Street Superintendent for 2020.
9. For Your Information: Charter Communications will be dropping their Linear Adult channels 967, 969, 971, and 972 effective December 13, 2019. They will be dropping all PPV & subscription based adult channels, moving the company to an On Demand only strategy.

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

Any item listed on the Consent Calendar may, by the request of any single Council Member, be considered as a separate item in the Regular Agenda.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The first reading of Ordinance No. 2900 was next on the agenda for Council. Ordinance No. 2900 will amend the current fiscal year Classification Plan by adding a Golf Course Administrator and modifying an existing position due to additional responsibilities. The following information was provided for Council:

[Upon approval, the attached ordinance will modify the current Classification Plan.

The Classification Plan has the following changes from the most recent version approved by Council:

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- Eliminate SCADA Operator
- Add Metering and Load Control Technician at the non-exempt pay grade 223
- Add Golf Course Administrator at the exempt pay grade 101

Electric

As the City nears completion of the installation of the Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI), the City looks to incorporate supervision, maintenance, and repair of AMI into the duties of staff. Kirby Bridge, Electric Superintendent, sees the additional AMI functions fitting well with the current SCADA Operator position.

Staff recommends changing the title from SCADA Operator to Metering and Load Control Technician and increasing the pay grade from 222 to 223. Reclassification and title change are requested to reflect modification of duties and job responsibilities which are reflected in a new job description.

Golf Course

The City has actively advertised for a contracted golf professional and has been unsuccessful in finding a qualified candidate. The PGA has advised we make the golf professional a full-time employee of the City. They feel the City will have success in finding a candidate with this setup.

- The pro will not need to buy merchandise for the pro shop.
- The pro will have a guaranteed income.

This position will be titled Golf Course Administrator and supervise all other City employees at the golf course. Staff recommends setting this job as an exempt status at pay grade 101.

- This recommendation is based on reviewing what similar government bodies are paying a golf professional.

Waive Readings

In order to hire a Golf Course Administrator as soon as possible staff requests Council waive the second and third readings of the ordinance and adopt on final reading.]

A motion was made by Councilman Bentley seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2900. City Clerk Jines read the ordinance by title which follows in its entirety:

ORDINANCE NO. 2900

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REVISED CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA.

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WHEREAS, Section 16-310 of R.R.S. 1943 authorizes the Mayor and Council to establish the compensation for employees and officers by stating that "The officers and employees in cities of the first class shall receive such compensation as the mayor and council shall fix by ordinance;" and,

WHEREAS, The Alliance City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget which included funds for a revised Classification Plan.

WHEREAS, The City Manager is requesting that certain positions be modified to the Classification Plan of the City of Alliance.

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

SECTION 1. That the Classification Schedule for the City of Alliance dated effective October 5, 2019 is hereby amended and the following stated positions are classified as follows:

	Job Title	Grade
Add	Golf Course Administrator	101
Add	Metering & Load Control Technician	223
Remove	Scada Operator	222

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval, passage, and publication according to law.

A motion was made by Councilman Bentley, seconded by Councilman Jones to suspend the statutory rule requiring three separate readings of Ordinance No. 2900.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Roll call vote to approve Ordinance No. 2900 on final reading with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

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Mayor Dafney stated, “the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 2900 has been concurred by a majority of all members elected to the Council, I declare it passed, adopted and order it published.”

- Ordinance No. 2899 was next before Council on second reading and will amend Chapter 24 of the Alliance Municipal Code. The following information was provided for Council:

[Staff has prepared amendments to Chapter 24 of the Alliance Municipal Code, titled Rights-of-Way and Easement. The proposed amendments will give staff the ability to regulate the installation of telecommunication lines in City right-of-ways by telecommunications companies, such as Veaero and Verizon, that don't have franchise agreements with the City. Nebraska Statutes already grant telecommunication companies access to municipal right-of-ways; however it also grants municipalities the ability to regulate such installations.

This amendment to the Municipal Code will add the requirements that any company desiring to install any telecommunication lines in City right-of-ways will have to show proof they are qualified to do business as a telecommunications company in the State of Nebraska. They will also be required to hire a contractor licensed by the City of Alliance or obtain a City contractor's license, apply for and obtain a Construction, Excavation, or Obstruction of Right-of-Way Permit, and enter into a Right-of-Way Agreement with the City before placing such lines in City right-of-way.]

A motion was made by Councilman Reynolds, seconded by Councilman Mischnick to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2899. City Clerk Jines read the ordinance by title which follows in its entirety:

ORDINANCE NO. 2899

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 24-4 TO DEFINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, ADOPTING SECTION 24-83 TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY USE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, REPEALING PRIOR PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE THAT ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM

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

SECTION 1. Section 24-4, of the City of Alliance, Nebraska Municipal Code is hereby amended in its entirety the following:

“Sec. 24-4. - Definitions.

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The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Alley means a minor way which is used primarily for utility services and vehicular service access to the back or side of properties otherwise abutting on or adjacent to a street; affording only a secondary means of access to abutting property.

Commercial sidewalk means a pedestrian sidewalk which extends from the street right-of-way line to the curb line.

Cul-de-sac means a street having one end open to traffic and the other being terminated by a vehicle turnaround.

Curb level means the mean level of the curb in front of the lot, or in case of a corner lot, along abutting streets where the mean curb level is the highest.

Curb line means the back of, or back face of constructed curbing or combination curb and gutter, designed to delineate the edge of the traveled portion of a roadway surface and to serve as a channel for storm water. Curb lines shall be determined by street right-of-way and roadway paving width standards of the city.

Curb sidewalk means a pedestrian sidewalk constructed adjacent to existing curb.

Curb strip means the area between the property line and the back of the curb and gutter.

Driveway means an access drive or entrance way to property from a roadway and situated within right-of-way.

Right-of-way means any dedicated street or alley of the city, including that portion which lies between the roadway proper and the platted lot line of private parcels of property, regardless of the location of public sidewalks.

Roadway means that portion of the street right-of-way used for vehicular traffic between established curb lines, or where no curbs are installed it shall mean that portion of the street which is, or has been, normally and regularly used for vehicular traffic. Where opposing traffic is separated by a median, wall, or other divider totally within the street right-of-way, it shall mean that portion of the right-of-way between curb lines and such dividers.

Sight vision triangle means the triangle created at the intersection of the front property line and the side street property line. It is created by measuring 25 feet from the intersection along each property line and drawing the hypotenuse between these two points.

Standard sidewalk means the pedestrian sidewalk installed in the curb strip and located parallel to and eight inches inside the street right-of-way line.

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Street or avenue means the entire width between property lines of every thoroughfare or right-of-way dedicated to the use of the public as a matter of right for purposes of primary access, travel, and transportation.

Telecommunications company means any person, firm, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, association, or governmental entity offering telecommunications service in Nebraska intrastate commerce.”

SECTION 2. Section 24-83, of the City of Alliance, Nebraska Municipal Code is hereby adopted as follows:

“Sec. 24-83. - Telecommunications in City Rights-of-Way.

It shall be unlawful for any telecommunications company to construct, operate, and maintain telecommunication lines and related facilities and conduit in, under, or upon any right-of-way of the City without first obtaining permission to do so from the City Manager or designee. Such permission shall be granted only upon the completion of a construction, excavation, or obstruction of public right-of-way permit application, payment of its associated fee, documentation from the applicant demonstrating that they are incorporated or qualified to do business as a telecommunications company in the State of Nebraska, and a right-of-way agreement with the City. At all times, any telecommunications company, or any contractor performing work for such telecommunications company, must also apply for and comply with any and all other contractor licensing and permit requirements in this Code, including but not limited to those located in Article V and Article VI of Chapter 24.”

SECTION 3: All ordinances or sections of ordinances passed and approved prior to the passage, approval, and publication of this Ordinance and in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage, approval and publication, and shall be in pamphlet form.

A motion was made by Mayor Dafney, seconded by Councilman Bentley to suspend the statutory rule requiring three separate readings of Ordinance No. 2899.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Roll call vote to approve Ordinance No. 2899 on final reading with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

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Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Mayor Dafney stated, "the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 2899 has been concurred by a majority of all members elected to the Council, I declare it passed, adopted and order it published."

- Council next considered Resolution No. 19-108 accepting a donation from the Panhandle Men's Club, Inc. for improvements to the men's locker room and additional storage space for the bar in the clubhouse at SkyView Golf Course. The following information was provided to Council:

[The Panhandle Men's Association has submitted a proposal to the City that would allow for the remodeling of the men's locker room and expand storage space for the bar at SkyView Golf Course. The proposed renovation includes removing the old lockers, purchasing/installing new lockers, removing the carpet, laying new carpet squares, painting the walls, replacing the entry door to the men's locker room, removing the wall between the bar and the men's locker room and replacing the wall in a fashion that would allow for additional storage space for the bar. This renovation is needed to improve the aesthetics of the clubhouse and improve security for the bar's inventory.

The City has \$5,000 dollars budgeted for clubhouse renovations. This will cover about half of the renovation costs (i.e., paint, carpet, door, and wall). The Men's Association wishes to cover the remainder of the balance of the renovation costs and the addition to the facility for a supply room which is estimated to total \$8,900.

In addition, they would like to purchase 80 lockers at the cost of approximately \$22,000 as a donation to the City. As part of that donation the Men's Association would like the ability to pre-rent the lockers for a period of five years. Each locker would pre-rent for \$200 (\$40 per year). If all 80 lockers were pre-rented that would be \$16,000. The money from the pre-rent would go to the Men's Association to help offset the cost of purchasing the lockers. This pre-rent would waive the City's income from the pre-rented lockers for the five years; however, the City would receive an increase rental rate on any locker that are not pre-rented. Currently the men's annual locker rents are \$16.00 for a small and \$32.00 for a large. The new lockers will provide a uniform size and the Men's Association is proposing the new rental rate of \$40.00. The Men's Association is also requesting the ability to sell the old lockers and use any of the proceeds towards the purchase of the new lockers.]

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Bentley to approve Resolution No. 19-108 which follows in its entirety:

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RESOLUTION NO. 19-108

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance owns and operates SkyView Golf Course; and

WHEREAS, The Panhandle Men's Club, Inc. is requesting permission from the City Council to make improvements, including new lockers, paint, carpet and a door replacement for the men's locker room, and an expansion for storage space for the bar within the club house at the golf course; and

WHEREAS, The initial donation has a value of approximately \$31,000 and the Panhandle Men's Club, Inc. is seeking assistance to recoup part of the cost by pre-renting lockers for a five year period which could result in a \$16,000 return; and

WHEREAS, The Panhandle Men's Club, Inc. is also seeking permission to sell the existing lockers and use any funds received towards offsetting the expense of the remodel; and

WHEREAS, Due to the improvements in the men's locker room area the Panhandle Men's Club, Inc. is proposing locker rental fees should be increased to \$40.00 annually for the next golfing season.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that the City graciously accepts the donation valued at \$31,000 and agrees to allow the Panhandle Men's Club, Inc. to offset their expenses with the pre-renting of lockers which could result in a \$16,000 return, and allow the group to sell the existing lockers and use any funds received towards offsetting the expense of the remodel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Council will raise the annual rent of the men's lockers to \$40.00 for the next golf season.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item before Council was Resolution No. 19-109 which will approve the renewal contracts and rates with Regional Care, Inc., our third party administrator; Sutton, our reinsurance carrier; and our other vendors of health services. Resolution No. 19-110 approves the new premium rates to be paid by employees for calendar year 2020. The following information was provided for Council:

[Hays Corporation, the City's health benefit broker, has conducted the City's insurance renewal and shopped the market for competitive rates for the benefits the City offers its employees. The City looks to continue to provide the same level of coverage without eliminating benefit options or removing spousal coverage as the national cost of health coverage continues to rise.

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Administration for the health insurance program will continue through Regional Care Inc. (RCI) and a new (but previous) underwriter Sutton will provide reinsurance coverage. By changing underwriters, the City will receive a projected decrease of 4.4% from current year expenses. A majority of that savings is a result of the decrease of the aggregate stop-loss premium based largely on claims history. Employer vision premiums increased 5.5% from the previous year; however, employee premiums for dental and vision will remain the same. Also, employees will not see an increase in medical premiums; however, in-network deductible will increase slightly. The IRS guidelines for 2020 for plans with embedded deductibles requires the minimum individual deductible to increase to \$2,800 and the family deductible increased to \$5,600. This change results in the single premium increased by \$100 and family will increase \$200. In order to keep our deductibles embedded, we will need to increase these amounts accordingly or lose embedded protections, which allows a single family member access to medical benefits sooner. This can save families money in the event that one family member incurs a large number of medical expenses.

Employees will see an increase in employer health savings contribution with single coverage increasing from \$75 to \$85 (\$120 annual increase) and family participants changing from \$100 to \$125 per month (\$300 annual increase). The City will pay an additional \$13,000 to employee HSA accounts for new total annual contribution of \$78,660. Employees are required to contribute \$50 per month in order to receive the City's support.

Employee basic life coverage will increase from \$30,000 to \$55,000, and employees will now be eligible to purchase voluntary term-life coverage and accident death and dismemberment insurance for themselves, spouse and children. During the initial offering, employees will be able to enroll up to certain amounts (guarantee issue) without a health questionnaire or exam (\$150,000 Self; \$25,000 Spouse; \$10,000 Child). Employees can purchase more; however, it will be subject to a health screening.]

A motion was made by Councilman Bentley, seconded by Councilman Mischnick to approve Resolution No. 19-109 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-109

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance has engaged in a process with Hays Corporation, our benefit broker, evaluating its current health care benefit plans offered to employees; and

WHEREAS, Various options and proposals have been considered by staff and Hays Corporation and staff has recommended the options contained herein; and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance has received a proposal to renew its contract with the Third-Party Administrator, Regional Care, Inc.; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Alliance recommends a proposal to change our contract for reinsurance carrier to Sutton as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance has selected Unum to provide life insurance and has increased the amount of basic term-life employee coverage from \$30,000 to \$55,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that the contract proposal with Regional Care, Inc. for Third-Party Administrator is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Monthly premium payments per employee to Sutton as the reinsurance carrier effective January 1, 2020, shall be as follows:

Specific Single Premium	\$152.99
Specific Family Premium	\$391.08
Aggregate Premium	\$26.39
Transplant Coverage	
Single	\$ 9.78
Family	\$ 24.27
Vision Coverage	
Single	\$8.26
Family	\$17.76
Life Insurance	
Single	\$7.61
Family	\$8.61

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, administrative service fees to Regional Care, Inc., shall be \$28.55 monthly per covered employee, effective January 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Alliance shall make monthly payments into its Health Support Fund, effective January 1, 2020 for a dental program as follows:

Per Employee	\$ 44.13
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Alliance shall make monthly contributions to our Health Support Fund, effective January 1, 2020 for the payment of medical claims up to the following amounts:

Per Single Employee	\$ 742.60
Per Family Employee	\$1,581.85

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

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Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Bentley, seconded by Councilman Reynolds to approve Resolution No. 19-110 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-110

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance has engaged in a process with Hays Corporation, our benefit broker, evaluating its current health care benefit plan offered to employees; and

WHEREAS, Various options and proposals had been considered by staff and the City's Third-Party Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Employees will be able to choose single or family medical, dental and vision insurance coverage options that best meets their needs, which have varying premiums, deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses; and

WHEREAS, Employees will be eligible for an increase of employer health savings account contributions from \$75 to \$85 for single plan participants and \$100 to \$125 for family plan participants; and

WHEREAS, Eligible employees will be able to purchase voluntary term-life coverage through the company Unum; and

WHEREAS, Eligible Employees who waive participation in medical coverage will receive \$350 per month in a taxable benefit; and

WHEREAS, Designated part-time position as defined in plan documents will be eligible to participate in employee only dental and vision insurance coverage options.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council that the following monthly employee contribution levels for coverage are hereby established effective January 1, 2020.

	Employee		Family	
	\$60		\$170	
	In	Out	In	Out
Medical Premium				
Annual Medical Deductible	\$2,800	\$3,250	\$5,600	\$5,950
Co-Insurance	80/20	70/30	80/20	70/30
Annual Max. Cost to Employee	\$5,400	\$9,750	\$10,800	\$17,850

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Dental Premium	\$15	\$40
Vision Premium	\$5	\$20

Councilman Bentley requested that staff research the possibility of offering an employee plus one as an additional option in the future.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item on the agenda for Council was Resolution No. 19-111 which authorizes the first purchase of a multi-year portable and mobile radio upgrade to P25 compatible radios starting with the Fire Department in the amount of \$121,874.45. The following information was provided to Council:

[There is \$122,000 designated (GL #01-37-37-59-950) in the 2019-20 Fire Department capital budget to upgrade both portable and mobile radios with P25 compatible radios. This purchase is the beginning of a planned city-wide radio project that will eventually transfer all City departments to a public safety band radio system. The P25 system is a more secure than the business band the City currently uses. The P25 system will also allow us to join the statewide radio system (SRS) in the future if we desire.

Attached is the Motorola Solutions quotation number 453830 utilizing the Nebraska State Contract number 14534OC in the amount of \$121,874.45. This quote includes thirteen portable radios with accessories and eight mobile radios for the City Fire Department.

The Alliance Rural Fire District will also be purchasing P25 radios in conjunction with the City to complete the radio purchase for the Fire Department and have approved their purchase with the ordering of equipment subject to the approval of the City's resolution.

The table below is to illustrate known and preliminary budget numbers for the complete radio project over time. All dollar figures listed with an asterisk are for budgetary purposes only.]

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Department	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Comments
Fire	\$121,874.45				Known Cost
Rural Fire	\$159,275.70				Known Cost
Total FD Cost	\$281,150.15				Known Total
Repeaters		\$31,000*			Prem. Budget Cost
Police		\$131,000*			Prem. Budget Cost
Comm. Console			\$341,000*		Prem. Budget Cost
Electric			\$39,000*		Prem. Budget Cost
Public Works				\$86,000*	Prem. Budget Cost
Airport				\$13,000*	Prem. Budget Cost
Parks				\$24,000*	Prem. Budget Cost
Comm. Develop.				\$2,000*	Prem. Budget Cost

A motion was made by Councilman Mischnick, seconded by Councilman Bentley to approve Resolution No. 19-111 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-111

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance has budgeted for upgrading both portable and mobile radios with P25 compatible radios for the Fire Department as part of the City's radio system, and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance will be replacing thirteen portable radios with accessories and eight mobile radios for the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, The City received a quote from Motorola Solutions utilizing the State of Nebraska contract in the amount of \$121,874.45 for the requested equipment; and

WHEREAS, The City Council believes it is in the best interest of the citizens of Alliance to move forward with this project totaling \$121,874.45 of which adequate budgeted funds are available within Account No. 01-37-37-59-950.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, to approve the purchase of thirteen portable radios with accessories and eight mobile radios from Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$121,874.45.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The City Manager and his staff are authorized to complete the purchase of the above-referenced equipment as provided.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

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Motion carried.

- Council next considered Resolution No. 19-112 which will authorize the purchase of a 2020 Ford F-150 Crew Cab 4x4 Special Service Vehicle from Anderson Ford of Lincoln, NE utilizing the State Contract in the amount of \$32,630. The following information was provided to Council:

[The Police Department is currently in need of one replacement patrol vehicle. It has become apparent during the past few winter seasons that every time Alliance has a significant snow fall it becomes necessary to borrow a 4x4 pickup from other departments. The move to the Ford Explorers has been helpful; however, they are not as rugged as a pickup. Staff is requesting that Council approve the purchase of one pickup for the Police Department that would be used by the shift supervisor. Driving this vehicle provides better visibility, improved driving experience in inclement weather and extra storage. The new vehicle will be replacing a 2013 Ford Taurus which will have approximately 135,000 miles at the time of replacement.

The vehicle will require new console light bar, siren controller and package, decals, radar unit, along with a ¼ security cage for prisoner transport. The cost of this equipment will be approximately \$4,250 and the cost of installation is approximately \$2,750 for a total of \$7,000 as quoted by Action Communication of Scottsbluff. The mobile radio, laptop and a portion of the docking station will transfer from the present vehicle.

Following are the bid cost of vehicles from the State of Nebraska and Cover-Jones Motors of Alliance:

BID SOURCE	DESCRIPTION	BID AMOUNT
Covers-Jones Motor	2020 Ford F-150 "Police Responder"	\$35,937
Nebraska State Bid	2020 Ford F-150 "Crew Cab" SSV	\$32,630
Cover-Jones Motor	2020 Ford F-150 Crew Cab	\$34,558
Nebraska State Bid	2019 Dodge Pickup SSV	\$30,134
Estimated 2020 Cost	2020 Dodge Pickup approximately plus 10%	\$32,277

Staff is recommending the purchase of the 2020 Ford F-150 Crew XLT Special Service Vehicle 4x4 from Anderson Ford of Lincoln utilizing the State Contract in the amount of \$32,630. Even though the price is a little more than the Dodge, the recommendation is based on the local dealership availability for warranty work and repairs. A total of \$50,000 is included in the current budget for this purchase.]

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Reynolds to approve Resolution No. 19-112 which follows in its entirety:

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RESOLUTION NO. 19-112

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance Police Department has a need to replace a patrol vehicle which is a 2013 Ford Taurus with 135,000 miles; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Kiss is recommending the purchase of one 2020 Ford F-150 Crew XLT Special Service Vehicle 4x4 in the amount of \$32,630 from Anderson Ford of Lincoln, NE; and

WHEREAS, The 2020 Ford F-150 Crew XLT Special Service Vehicle 4x4 will require the purchase and installation of the required safety and emergency equipment at the cost of \$7,000 and installed through Action Communications of Scottsbluff, NE; and

WHEREAS, Staff is recommending that the purchase be made from Anderson Ford using the Nebraska State Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that Mayor Dafney be and hereby is authorized to enter into a contract with Anderson Ford of Lincoln, NE for the purchase of one 2020 Ford F-150 Crew XLT Special Service Vehicle 4x4 in the amount of Thirty-two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Dollars and no/100ths (\$32,630).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the purchase of the required safety and emergency equipment and installed through Action Communications of Scottsbluff, NE at an approximate cost of \$7,000 is also approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council is authorizing the purchase from the Police Department's Capital Outlay – Vehicle Account No. 01-31-32-59-960 to allow for the purchase of one police vehicle and accessories.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Resolution No. 19-113 was next on the agenda for Council. This resolution will approve the purchase of a 2020 Ford F-150 Super Cab 4X4 from Cover Jones Motor Company of Alliance, NE in the amount of \$30,440 with a fiberglass animal carrier topper installed for an additional \$15,180. The following information was provided:

[The Police Department is currently in need of a replacement Animal Control vehicle. The present Animal Control vehicle is a 2007 Ford F-150 with 94,651 miles has been requiring more maintenance with \$3,025 expended in the past three years. This vehicle is used for transport of domestic and wild animals along with the movement of larger objects found by patrol officers. One part of the

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Community Service Officer's (CSO) duties is to check violations in alleys so the acquired vehicle must be tough. During the winter months, the vehicle needs to be capable of travel on roads with deep snow for the CSO duties.

Staff has acquired the cost of vehicles through the Nebraska State Bid and Cover-Jones Motor Co. of Alliance as follows:

BID SOURCE	DESCRIPTION	BID AMOUNT
Nebraska State Bid	2020 Ford F-150 "Crew Cab" SSV	\$32,630.00
Cover-Jones Motor Co	2020 Ford F-150 Super Cab	\$30,440.00
Nebraska State Bid	2019 Dodge Pickup SSV	\$30,134.00
2020 Estimated Bid	2020 Dodge Pickup (approximate 10% increase)	\$32,277.00
Cover-Jones Motor Co	2020 Ford F-150 Reg. Cab 4x4 XLT	\$29,046.00
Nebraska State Bid	2020 Ford F-150 Reg. Cab 4x4 XL	\$29,207.00

Staff is recommending the purchase of a 2020 Ford F-150 Reg. Cab 4x4 XLT from Cover-Jones Motor Co. in the amount of \$29,046. The advantage of purchasing a Ford is all maintenance and warranty work can be accomplished locally reducing the down-time of the vehicle and staff time to transport for service work. The plan is to transfer the existing vehicle as a back-up vehicle in another of the City's departments.

The police chief is recommending the replacement of the bed of the pickup with a fiberglass six-compartment animal storage unit. This unit will be air-conditioned for the summer, have vents and will include a ramp for large animals. The vehicle will be drop-shipped to the Iowa Company and then they will deliver the vehicle to Alliance. The present cage is steel and has been in service for almost 40 years. The cost of a new animal carrier from CustomFiberglass Coaches has been quoted at \$15,180. Pricing was also obtained from two other vendors: Hartstra Co., Waco, TX in the amount of \$17,500 and Trivan, Ferndale, WA in the amount of \$45,000.]

A motion was made by Councilman Reynolds, seconded by Councilman Mischnick to approve Resolution No. 19-113 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-113

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance Animal Control/Community Service Department has a need to replace an animal control vehicle which is a 2007 Ford F-150 with 94,651 miles; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Kiss is recommending the purchase of one 2020 Ford F-150 Regular Cab 4x4 XLT vehicle in the amount of \$29,046.00 from Cover Jones Motor Company of Alliance, NE as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for this purchase; and

WHEREAS, The vehicle will require the purchase and installation of an animal carrier; and

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WHEREAS, Staff is recommending that the purchase and installation of the animal carrier be made from CustomFiberglass Coaches in the amount of \$15,180.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that Mayor Dafney be and hereby is authorized to enter into a contract with Cover Jones Motor Company of Alliance, NE for the purchase of one 2020 Ford F-150 Regular Cab 4x4 XLT vehicle in the amount of Twenty-nine Thousand Forty-six Dollars and no/100ths (\$29,046.00).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the purchase and installation of the animal carrier at the cost of Fifteen Thousand One Hundred Eighty Dollars and no/100ths (\$15,180) through CustomFiberglass Coaches of Lake City, IA is also approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council is authorizing the purchase from the Police Department's Animal Control Capital Outlay – Vehicle Account No. 01-31-34-59-960 to allow for the purchase of one animal control vehicle with animal carrier.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Council next had before them Resolution No. 19-114 which is an Economic Development Assistance Agreement with GNL, Inc. dba Carter Home, Hardware and Appliance to assist with their business. The following information was provided for Council:

[At the October 22, 2019 City's Economic Development Plan Application Review Committee (EDPARC) meeting, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend to City Council approval of a Local Option Sales Tax Application of GNL, Inc. dba Carter Home, Hardware and Application for funding under the Economic Development Plan. The proposal meets the requirements of the City as it is a qualifying business within the definition of the Economic Development Plan.

The Committee has recommended approval of \$40,000 jobs-based grant, with it being eligible to be repaid with a jobs-based credit through created employment of full-time personnel. Credits will be awarded annually, not to exceed \$10,000 per year, based on additional full-time employees. GNL, Inc. will be relocating and expanding the size and market lines of their business at the former Shopko location.]

A motion was made by Councilman Mischnick, seconded by Councilman Reynolds to approve Resolution No. 19-114 which follows in its entirety:

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RESOLUTION NO. 19-114

WHEREAS, The voters of the City of Alliance approved an Economic Development Plan which had been adopted by the City Council in 2001 and in 2010, pursuant to the authority of Nebraska Revised Statutes 18-2701 through 18-2738;

WHEREAS, An Application Review Committee has been appointed by the City Council pursuant to law to review applications for assistance under the Economic Development Plan;

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Plan is funded by a portion of City sales tax which was also approved by the voters in 2001 and in 2007;

WHEREAS, The application of GNL, Inc. dba Carter Home, Hardware and Appliance has been received for assistance pursuant to the Economic Development Plan, and it is a qualifying business pursuant to the requirements of the Economic Development Plan;

WHEREAS, The Application Review Committee has approved the application of GNL, Inc. dba Carter Home, Hardware and Appliance and recommended to the Program Administrator that the project be approved;

WHEREAS, The Program Administrator has accepted the recommendation of the Application Review Committee, and recommends that the City Council approve the project;

WHEREAS, The Economic Development funds in the project requesting assistance are not the sole or primary funding source; and

WHEREAS, The City Council finds that GNL, Inc. dba Carter Home, Hardware and Appliance is a qualifying business and that this allocation of funds does not exceed the limitations of Section 18-2717 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that the application of GNL, Inc. dba Carter Home, Hardware and Appliance for assistance from the Economic Development Fund pursuant to the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act is hereby approved. Funding will be provided in the amount of \$40,000 as outlined within the Economic Development Assistance Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City the Economic Development Assistance Agreement between the City of Alliance and GNL, Inc. dba Carter Home, Hardware and Appliance.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Reynolds, Bentley.

Voting Nay: None.

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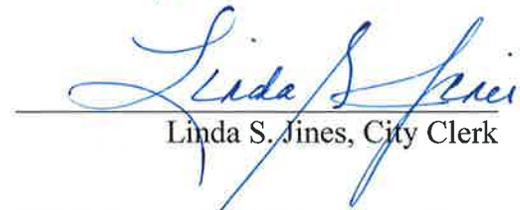
Motion carried.

- Board announcements were the last item on the agenda. Currently there are vacancies on the Board of Adjustment, Economic Development Plan Citizen Advisory Board, youth representatives on the Library Board, the Museum Board, the Park and Tree Board and the alternate position on the 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.

There being no further business before Council, Mayor Dafney adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.


Mike Dafney, Mayor

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Linda S. Jines, City Clerk

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