

ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2017

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 COUNTY OF BOX BUTTE) §
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 CITY OF ALLIANCE)

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, January 17, 2017 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 January 11, 2017. 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 Yeager opened the January 17, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:00 p.m. Present were Council members Yeager, Korber-Gonzalez, Jones, Mischnick and Reynolds. Also present were Interim City Manager Kuckkahn, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Waggener, City Attorney Olsen and City Clerk Jines.

- Mayor Yeager read the Open Meetings Act Announcement.
- Council then had three proclamations for presentation.

The first proclamation was to recognize Nebraska’s 150th Statehood. Accepting the proclamation was Becky Herian, Alliance Statehood Committee and Holly Heath Historic Mainstreet.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on March 1, 1867 Andrew Johnson signed the bill, making Nebraska the thirty-seventh state and the first state admitted to the Union after the Civil War, and

WHEREAS, the great state of Nebraska will celebrate one hundred fifty years of statehood from 1867-2017, and

WHEREAS, as Nebraska has a historically rich past, a progressive present and a promising future; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska is a state rich in cultural diversity, and

WHEREAS, Nebraska is the best state to enjoy, contribute, work and raise a family and

WHEREAS, Alliance has been and is a progressive community, let us reflect on who we were, celebrate who we are and inspire future generations while embracing our cultural diversity, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting for Alliance to celebrate and commemorate Nebraska's one hundred fiftieth anniversary of statehood, let February 25 – March 1, 2017 be an opportunity for ALL citizens of Alliance to participate in the first local event of 2017, *Alliance Statehood Celebration*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, does hereby proclaim the event of celebrating and commemorating Nebraska Statehood, February 25-March 1, 2017 as

Alliance Statehood Celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Alliance to be affixed on this seventeenth day of January in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Seventeen

The next proclamation presentation was to recognize Catholic Schools Week and the St. Agnes Academy Student Council Members were present to accept the following proclamation:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Week of January 29, 2017 is National Catholic Schools Week; and

WHEREAS, The theme of which is "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service"; and

WHEREAS, St. Agnes Academy has been part of Alliance, Nebraska since September 8, 1908, and therefore, has been part of our community for over 100 years, and St. Agnes Academy has helped to make our town a loving community; and

WHEREAS, St. Agnes prepares its students not only with fine academic training, but also with spiritual values that will make them good citizens able to contribute to their community and become the leaders of the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, does hereby proclaim the week of January 29, 2017 through February 4, 2017 as:

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Alliance to be affixed on this 17th day of January in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Seventeen.

The final proclamation was to recognize National Lutheran Schools Week. Accepting the proclamation were Staff and students of the Immanuel Lutheran School.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, teaching the young in full-time Lutheran schools has been an integral part of the heritage and the life of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod from its 1847 beginning; and

WHEREAS, congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod maintain the largest Protestant school system in the United States, enrolling over 250,000 students in over 2,100 preschools, elementary, secondary schools, and colleges, served by over 12,000 teachers and professors with a support system of over 6,000 congregations; and

WHEREAS, the purpose and mission of Lutheran schools is to equip children, young adults, and their parents to prepare for service and leadership in Lutheran congregations; and

WHEREAS, graduates of Lutheran schools have gone on to distinguish themselves through service and leadership in community, government, and the church; and

WHEREAS, Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran School has been in existence since 2014 and is located at 1312 E. 10th Street with an enrollment of approximately 120 students; and

WHEREAS, during the week of January 22 – 28, 2017, there will be several activities with student involvement in recognition of National Lutheran Schools Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ralph Yeager, Mayor of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim the week of January 22-28, 2017 as

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Alliance to be affixed on this 17th day of January in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Seventeen.

- The Consent Calendar was the next matter for Council's consideration.

A motion was made by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Mishnick to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR – JANUARY 17, 2017

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, January 3, 2017.

2. Approval: Payroll Costs for the period December 17, 2016 through December 30, 2016: \$337,670.91.
3. Approval: Claims against the following funds for the period December 28, 2016 through January 10, 2017: 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; \$395,993.99.

NOTE: Interim City Manager Kuckkahn 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: Korber-Gonzalez, Mischnick, Reynolds, Yeager, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- A Public Hearing on the Conditional Use Permit Application of Wes and Angy Fancher to operate a RV Park at 304 Woolrich Road was the next item before Council. Following the public hearing, Resolution No. 17-06 will be considered which will authorize the Conditional Use Permit. The following background information was provided to Council:

[The City of Alliance Community Development Department is in receipt of an application for a Conditional Use Permit from Wes and Angy Fancher. The Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application is to allow the development of an RV park at 304 Woolrich Road. The property is used as a storage area for RV's and a single-family residence.

The property is described as part of the Southwest ¼ of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 47 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, Lands in Corporate City Limits, Parcel Number 557, Tax Parcel ID 070049777. The property is zoned C-3 Highway Commercial. RV parks are not permitted uses in any zoning district but are allowed by CUP in C-3, Highway Commercial.

The City mailed notification petitions to properties located within 300' of the applicant. Of the four mailed, the City received one back indicating they were disinterested in the proposal.

In 2012, Wes and Angy Fancher applied for a Conditional Use Permit for an RV park with a residence. One of the conditions was to install a fire hydrant midway between Kansas Street and Highway 2 as there weren't any hydrants near the

proposed park. At the time, the plan was to have the park in the middle of the old race track which sets back from the front property line at a considerable distance necessitating the new hydrant. The site plan attached to the CUP application shows the new park area at the south east corner of the parcel which is across Kansas Street from a fire hydrant which satisfies the requirement for fire coverage.

The City of Alliance Planning Commission held a public hearing at its regular meeting on December 13, 2016 and recommended the City Council approve the Conditional Use Permit application from Wes and Angy Fancher allowing an RV park at 304 Woolrich Road. Staff recommends the conditions that the park may not exceed the boundaries of those shown on the site plan and that the property owner may occupy the single-family residence on the lot as the RV park owner and host. If the park is to be expanded in the future, a revised site plan showing the expansion must be submitted along with an additional CUP application.]

Mayor Yeager stated “now is the date, time, and place to conduct a Public Hearing to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of the taxpayers relating to the Conditional Use Permit Application of Wes and Angy Fancher to operate a RV Park at 304 Woolrich Road and opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

Wes Fancher, 304 Woolrich Road, was in attendance to discuss his plans for the RV Park and welcomed questions from Council and staff.

Hearing no additional testimony, the Public Hearing closed at 7:18 p.m.

Mayor Yeager made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-06, which was seconded by Councilman Reynolds. The resolution follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 17-06

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance, through its Community Development Department regulates building and zoning within the City of Alliance and the two mile jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Wes and Angy Fancher have requested a Conditional Use Permit on part of the SW¼ of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 47, West of the 6th P.M. in Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska to allow for the development of a recreational vehicle camping facility; and

WHEREAS, The Community Development office has examined the request and finds that the request to allow for the development of a recreational vehicle camping facility in a C-3 Highway Commercial District is appropriate for the granting of a conditional use; and

WHEREAS, The Community Development Director has recommended the granting of the Conditional Use Permit; and

WHEREAS, On the 13th day of December, 2016, the Planning Commission for the City of Alliance held a public hearing on behalf of the Conditional Use Permit for Wes and Angy Fancher; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission voted to approve the Conditional Use Permit and forward Mr. Fancher's request for the Conditional Use Permit to the City Council for their review and consideration.

WHEREAS, The City Council has reviewed the request and determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Alliance and consistent with the zoning rules and regulations to grant a Conditional Use Permit for Wes and Angy Fancher.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conditional Use Permit of Wes and Angy Fancher to allow for the development of a recreational vehicle camping facility on part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 47, West of the 6th P.M., Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska, is hereby authorized and approved with the following conditions: (1) If the park were to be expanded in the future, a revised site plan showing the expansion must be submitted along with an additional CUP application and (2) staff will review the operation annually to ensure conditions are being met.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Conditional Use Permit shall be presumed inactive if the conditional use is not commenced within twelve months of January 17, 2017.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- A Public Hearing on the Conditional Use Permit Application of Dale Jeske Jr. to operate a RV Park at 2131 CR 59 was the next agenda item. Following the public hearing, Resolution No. 17-07 will be considered to authorize the Conditional Use Permit. Council was provided with the following background information:

[The City of Alliance Community Development Department is in receipt of an application for a Conditional Use Permit from Dale Jeske Jr. The Conditional Use Permit application is to allow the development of an RV park at 2131 CR 59. The property is presently used as a single-family residence.

The property is described as Part of the West $\frac{1}{2}$ of the West $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, Township 25 North, Range 47 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, tax parcel number 070072736. It is zoned C-3, Highway Commercial and is bordered to the north, east, and west, by Agriculture zoning and to the south by RR, Rural Residential zoning. RV parks are not permitted uses in any zoning district but are allowed by CUP in C-3, Highway Commercial.

The City mailed four notification petitions to properties within 300' of the applicant. Of those four, the City received three of them back. One was in favor of the CUP, one was against it for security reasons, and the third was for it as long as there were conditions placed on the CUP that protected the owner's privacy and security.

The City of Alliance Planning Commission held a public hearing at its regular meeting on December 13, 2016 and recommended that the City Council approve the Conditional Use Permit application from Dale Jeske Jr. allowing an RV park at 2131 CR 59 with the conditions that:

1. Mr. Jeske construct and maintain a privacy fence or plant trees or hedges approximately 250' south of the north property line blocking the view from Mr. Petty's property to the north.
2. The RV park may not be developed within 250' of the north property line.

Staff also recommends the conditions that the park may not exceed the boundaries of those shown on the site plan and that the property owner may occupy the existing single-family residence on the lot as the RV park owner and host. If the park were to be expanded in the future, a revised site plan showing the expansion must be submitted along with an additional CUP application.]

Mayor Yeager stated "now is the date, time, and place to conduct a Public Hearing to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of the taxpayers relating to the Conditional Use Permit Application of Dale Jeske Jr. to operate a RV Park at 2131 CR 59 and opened the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

Dale Jeske Jr., 522 Laramie Avenue, was in attendance to discuss his plans for the RV park and welcomed questions from staff and Council.

Brent Kusek, Community Development Director appeared before Council to review the conditions recommended by Planning Commission.

No additional testimony was offered, the Public Hearing closed at 7:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilman Reynolds to remove the language regarding the barrier requirements from Mr. Jeske's Conditional Use Permit conditions and forward Resolution No. 17-07 to the February 7th Council meeting for further review. Councilman Korber-Gonzalez seconded the motion.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item before Council was a Public Hearing on Blighted and Substandard Designation within Syre Addition. Following the public hearing, Resolution No. 17-08 was introduced which will declare the property as substandard and blighted pursuant to Community Development Law for the State of Nebraska. Council was provided with the following background information:

[The Alliance Community Redevelopment Authority is proposing the inclusion of Syre Addition to the City of Alliance as a blighted and substandard district. The Syre addition is approximately 9 acres in an area south of Highway 2 between A Street and Melody Lane. In order to add the area as a district, a blight and substandard study must be conducted. Staff has prepared a blight and substandard study for Syre Addition to the City of Alliance for Council's review.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing at their December 13, 2016, regular meeting and found that the study showed the existence of blighted and substandard conditions within the study area and that the inclusion as a new district will open up opportunities for redevelopment of the east side neighborhood as identified by the Alliance Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Commission then voted to recommend the inclusion of Syre Addition to the City of Alliance as a blighted and substandard area.]

Mayor Yeager stated "now is the date, time, and place to conduct a Public Hearing to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of the taxpayers relating to the blighted and substandard designation of property located in the North Half the Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 47, West of the 6th P.M., Box Butte County and opened the public hearing at 7:41 p.m.

Brent Kusek, Community Development Director, reviewed the Blight Study with Council and answered questions.

Hearing no further testimony, the Public Hearing closed at 7:42 p.m.

Mayor Yeager made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-08, which was seconded by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez. The resolution follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 17-08
(SYRE ADDITION - BLIGHTED AND SUBSTANDARD AREA)

WHEREAS, it is necessary, desirable, advisable, and in the best interests of the City of Alliance, Nebraska (the "City"), for the City to undertake and carry out redevelopment projects

in certain areas that are determined to be blighted and substandard and in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Law, Chapter 18, Article 21, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended (the “Act”), prescribes the requirements and procedures for the planning and implementation of redevelopment projects; and

WHEREAS, Section 18-2109 of the Act requires that, prior to the preparation of a redevelopment plan for a redevelopment project, the Mayor and City Council shall, by resolution, declare the area to be blighted and substandard; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 the Mayor and City Council of the City held a public hearing (the “Public Hearing”) to determine whether the following described area (the “Redevelopment Area”) should be declared blighted and substandard and in need of redevelopment as required by the Act:

An area of land located in Box Butte County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows:

Syre Addition to the City of Alliance, in the North Half of the Southwest Quarter (N½SW¼) of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 47 West of the 6th P.M., Box Butte County, Nebraska.

WHEREAS, notice of the Public Hearing was published according to law, which notice described the time, date, place and purpose of the Public Hearing and the legal description of the Redevelopment Area; the last publication of such notice being at least ten days prior to the time of the Public Hearing; and

WHEREAS, on or before 10 days prior to the time of the Public Hearing, the City mailed notice of the Public Hearing by United States Mail, sufficient postage affixed, to all registered neighborhood associations whose area of representation is located in whole or in part within a one-mile radius of the Redevelopment Area and to the president or chairperson of the governing body of each county, school district, community college, educational service unit, and natural resources district with real property in the Redevelopment Area, which notice included the time, date, place, and purpose of the Public Hearing and included a map of sufficient size to show the Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, the Public Hearing was conducted and all interested parties were afforded a reasonable opportunity to express their views respecting the declaration of the Redevelopment Area as blighted and substandard and in need of redevelopment, and the Mayor and City Council reviewed and discussed a *Blighted and Substandard Area Determination Analysis – Syre Addition Area* prepared by the City of Alliance Community Development Department (the “Blight Study”); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to determine whether the Redevelopment Area is blighted and substandard and in need of redevelopment in accordance with the Act.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Redevelopment Area is declared to be substandard and in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Act, in that conditions now exist in the Redevelopment Area meeting the criteria set forth in Section 18-2103(10) of the Act, as described and set forth in the Blight Study. The Blight Study is attached as Attachment 1.

Section 2. The Redevelopment Area is further declared to be blighted and in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Act, in that conditions now exist in the Redevelopment Area meeting the criteria set forth in the Act, including, without limitation, (a) one or more of the factors set forth in Section 18-2103(11)(a) of the Act and (b) at least one of the factors set forth in (i) through (v) of Section 18-2103(11)(b) of the Act, as described and set forth in the Blight Study.

Section 3. The blighted and substandard conditions existing in the Redevelopment Area are beyond remedy and control solely through the regulatory process and the exercise of police power and cannot be dealt with effectively by the ordinary operations of private enterprise without the aids provided by the Act, and the elimination of the blighted and substandard conditions under the authority of the Act is hereby found to be a public purpose and declared to be in the public interest.

Section 4. The Redevelopment Area is in need of redevelopment and is or will be an eligible site for a redevelopment project under the provisions of the Act at the time of the adoption of any redevelopment plan with respect thereto.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Resolution No. 17-09, adopting the Bond Disclosure Compliance Policy prepared by Gilmore & Bell, P.C. Council was provided with the following background information:

[In early 2016, the City of Alliance engaged the bond counsel firm of Gilmore & Bell, P.C. to assist the City with the development of a policy to ensure future compliance with bond disclosures. The recommended attached policy will accomplish the following primary objectives:

1. Designate a compliance officer (the finance director).
2. Establish training requirements for the compliance officer and staff.
3. Identify requirements for annual reporting and events notification.
4. Detail requirements for compliance certification for new bond issues.

5. Specify contents of the bond compliance file.
6. Provide a checklist for compliance review.

Upon adoption of the policy, Gilmore & Bell representatives will also provide the initial staff training. The policy is expected to be fully trained and implemented prior to February 20, 2017.]

Councilman Korber-Gonzalez made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-09, which was seconded by Councilman Mischnick. The resolution follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 17-09

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance made contact with Gilmore & Bell, P.C., a bond counsel firm, to assist the City with the development of a Bond Disclosure Compliance Policy; and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance, in the State of Nebraska (the “City”) has determined it is necessary and appropriate to adopt a Bond Disclosure Compliance Policy to promote compliance with the City’s continuing disclosure obligations and Federal securities laws;

WHEREAS, The City Council has reviewed the proposed policy and finds it to be in conformity with the needs of the City of Alliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that the Bond Disclosure Compliance Policy presented to the City Council is hereby adopted and approved as of January 17, 2017.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item before Council was Resolution No. 17-10, approving the Special Designated Liquor License Applications of The Gathering Spot, Players Sports Bar and Sandhillers Saloon in order to participate in the 2017 Band on the Bricks series. Council was provided with the following background information:

[City Attorney Howard Olsen continues to complete a number of steps in order to facilitate an “entertainment district” for our series of four events known locally as Bands on the Bricks. He is working with the attorney for the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission (NLCC) to craft our legislative documents to comply with State law.

In the meantime, Historic Main Street began working with the local establishments to complete the necessary paperwork to have this matter before

Council for the January 17th meeting, to ensure there be no interruption with the special licensing. All other provisions will remain the same as previous years.

From Previous Entertainment District Narratives:

“A number of steps have been put into place to facilitate an “entertainment district” for our series of six events known locally as Bands on the Bricks. Our attorneys worked with the attorney for the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission (NLCC) to craft our legislative documents to comply with State law. At the eleventh hour, we learned last week, that the NLCC was unable to process the entertainment district license applications.

Subsequently, on Thursday, June 2, City Attorney Howard Olsen and City Manager J. D. Cox had a conference call with the Executive Director of the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission, Hobert Rupe. During that discussion, Mr. Rupe informed us of his interpretation of State Statute, which was different than ours. He invited us to appeal to the greater NLCC board, but that would prove to be time consuming and detrimental to this year’s event.

As an alternative, Mr. Rupe offered for us to do a modified SDL (waiver of the open container provision) and accomplish the same result.

Very quickly, Historic Main Street began working with the local establishments to complete the necessary paperwork to have this matter before Council for the 6.7 meeting. All other provisions will still be in place as previously discussed and included below.”]

Councilman Korber-Gonzalez made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-10, which was seconded by Councilman Jones. The resolution follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 17-10

WHEREAS, The City Clerk has received applications from Dondon, Inc. dba Players Sports Bar, D-Head, Inc. dba The Gathering Spot and M.R.C. Inc. dba Sandhillers for special designated licenses 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 applications appear to be complete and meet the statutory requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that the Applications for Special Designated License of Dondon, Inc. dba Players Sports Bar, D-Head, Inc. dba The Gathering Spot and M.R.C. Inc. dba Sandhillers for July 14, 21, 28 and August 4, 2017 are hereby approved for the premises described in the applications, and the City Clerk shall inform the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission of the approval of the applications, and the Clerk shall deliver the licenses issued by said Commission to the permittees

upon receipt of the required fees.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Resolution No. 17-11 was the next agenda item. Resolution No. 17-11 will authorize the purchase of a sleuth server for the Police Department for \$17,294.61 from Bytes Computer and Network Solutions of Scottsbluff, NE. Council was provided with the following background information:

[The Sleuth server (which was installed in 2011) is a 24/7 network computer system that operates the police department's RMS, (Records Management System) and CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch system). The normal life cycle of this type of system is approximately five years and we have already begun experiencing some issues. If this server should crash, the police department would be paralyzed without the ability to access CAD to dispatch calls for service and emergency medical dispatch information; download/generate reports; or write reports for submission to the County Attorney's office for prosecution.

Two vendors were contacted for quotes for the replacement server. The first was Bytes Computer & Solutions, Scottsbluff, who currently manage the City networks and have maintained the Sleuth system from the onset in 2011. They were able to compile a comprehensive proposal because of their knowledge base of our current system. Bytes presented their proposal with all the necessary hardware included in the costs.

The second quote came from CDW-G based on the Bytes parts list. The original CDW-G quote was received with only the server listed and no other breakdown of costs. We re-contacted CDW-G and requested a detailed list of all parts included and they complied by sending a screen shot of the included parts. When the two quotes were compared, it was noted that CDW's proposal was missing five items. The proposal from Bytes Computer showed dedication and proper analysis of our network hardware and Sleuth system software requirements which addresses the needs of law enforcement services. Since the police department lacks knowledge in this field, we rely greatly on their expertise. However, Bytes Computer will still provide the labor and installation even if they are not selected to provide the server.

Staff has recommended that we approve the quote from Bytes Computer in the amount of \$17,294.61. This includes all the parts and labor. Even though the Bytes Computer equipment proposal is higher than the CDW-G parts warehouse

proposal, we feel our long-standing relationship and satisfaction with Byte's dedicated team of professionals and their service in compiling the specifications is also of important consideration. Their computer personnel thoroughly researched and established the exact specifications needed to upgrade the server. Additionally, computer personnel from Bytes are vetted through the State of Nebraska for security purposes.

The proposed resolution would authorize the purchase a Dell PowerEdge Server, associated parts and software and installation from Bytes Computer and Solutions. The police department has approved budget authority in the amount of \$12,000 (Capital Outlay - Server (G/L 01-31-33-59-950). In addition, we would utilize excess funds \$2,400 from Capital Outlay – Operations Equipment (G/L 01-31-32-59-950) and \$3,000 from Capital Outlay – Operations Vehicles (G/L 01-31-32-59-960).]

Councilman Mischnick made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-11, which was seconded by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez. The resolution follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 17-11

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance Police Department has budgeted for a sleuth server upgrade, and

WHEREAS, The sleuth server is a 24/7 system that operates the police department's RMS, (Records Management System) and CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch system); and

WHEREAS, The police department secured two quotes, from Bytes Computer and Network Solutions and CDW-G; and

WHEREAS, Bytes Computer and Network Solutions being the recommended bid of \$17,294.61; and

WHEREAS, The police department has approved budget authority in the amount of \$12,000 Capital Outlay- Equipment (G/L 01-31-33-59-950); and

WHEREAS, A budget transfer in the amount of \$2,400 from Capital Outlay-Equipment (G/L 01-31-32-59-950) and \$3,000 from Capital Outlay-Vehicles (G/L 01-31-32-59-960) would be necessary to complete the purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, to approve the purchase of a sleuth server upgrade from Bytes Computer and Network Solutions of Scottsbluff, NE in the amount of \$17,294.61 and approve the budget transfer of \$2,400 from (G/L 01-31-32-59-950) and \$3,000 from (G/L 01-31-32-59-960).

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Board appointments and vacancy announcements were the final matters before Council.

Council announced that the City has the following openings at this time: The City has the following openings at this time: four vacancies on the Board of Adjustment; two vacancies on the A-2 Downtown Improvement Board; one vacancy on the Golf Advisory Board, one vacancy on the Alliance Housing Authority, one vacancy on the Library Board, two vacancies on the Park and Tree Board and three vacancies on the Police Advisory Board (Police, Senior/Retired and School Representatives).

A motion was made by Councilman Jones to reappointment Chris Mischnick to the Community Redevelopment Authority with a new term expiring January 31, 2022. Councilman Mischnick seconded the motion.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Jones to appoint Tina Lulow to serve on the A-2 Downtown Improvement District Board with a term expiring October 31, 2018. Councilman Korber-Gonzalez.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Councilman Jones made a motion to reappoint Matthew Harris to the Alliance Housing Authority with a term expiring December 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mischnick.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Mischnick to appoint Dana Bentley to the Police Citizen Advisory Board as the senior citizen representative, with a term expiring December 31, 2019.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager, Mischnick, Reynolds, Jones.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

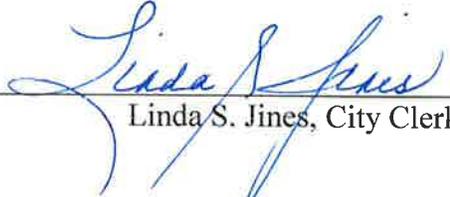
Council announced anyone interested in serving on these Boards should contact the City Clerk's Office. Information on all of the City Boards is also available on our web site, www.cityofalliance.net.

- Mayor Yeager stated, "there being no further business to come before the Alliance City Council, the meeting is adjourned at 7:57 p.m."



Ralph Yeager, Mayor

(SEAL)



Linda S. Jines, City Clerk