

August 15, 2023

**ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023

STATE OF NEBRASKA            )  
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 COUNTY OF BOX BUTTE        ) §  
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 CITY OF ALLIANCE             )

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, August 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Alliance Learning Center Community Meeting Room, 1750 Sweetwater Avenue. A notice of meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald on August , 2023. 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 provided 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 Jones opened the August 15, 2023 regular meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Jones, Vice Mayor McGhehey and Council Members Mischnick, Andersen, and Mashburn. Also present were City Manager Sorensen, City Attorney Swanson and City Clerk Pitt.

- Mayor Jones read the Open Meetings Act Announcement.
- The Consent Calendar was the first item on the agenda. A motion was made by Councilman Mischnick, which was seconded by Vice-Mayor McGhehey to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

**CONSENT CALENDAR – AUGUST 15, 2023**

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, August 01, 2023 and Special Meeting, August 08, 2023.
2. Approval: Payroll from July 28, 2023 in the total amount of \$280,480.35.
3. Approval: Claims against the following funds: 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; \$899,515.90.

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4. Approval: AVFD Roster Update.
5. Approval: Cemetery Certificate for Dennis Fester.
6. Approval: Resolution 23-61 which will authorize the City to apply for LWCF Grant.
7. Approval: Resolution 23-62 which will approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$65,000 from System Contingency # 24-41-41-46-644 to Asphalt Overlays # 24-41-41-51-930 for payment to the Contractor.
8. Approval: Resolution 23-63 which will the approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$10,000 from Council Contingency # 01-10-10-45-791 to Golf Special Order Costs # 21-71-75-46-627 to cover order costs.

NOTE: City Manager Sorensen and City Treasurer Baker have reviewed these expenditures and to the best of their knowledge confirm 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: Jones, Mischnick, McGhehey, Andersen and Mashburn.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item on Council's agenda was the first reading of Ordinance No. 2964 – 2023/2024 Budget Appropriation. The following information was provide:

[The 2023/2024 proposed budget is on first reading, which contains the anticipated and estimated revenues and expenses for the next fiscal year.

**RECCOMENDATION: APPROVE THE 2023/2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATION.]**

A motion was made by Mayor Jones, which was seconded by Councilman Mischnick to remove the proposed position for an additional assistant to the Human Resources Department.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Jones, Mischnick, McGhehey, Andersen and Mashburn.

Voting Nay: None.

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Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Mashburn, seconded by Councilmen Mischnick to approve Ordinance No. 2964 on first reading which approves the proposed 2023/2024 Budget appropriation, which follows in its entirety:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2964**

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1: The City Manager, in accordance with the requirements of Nebraska Revised Statute § 19-646, has submitted a proposed budget statement to the City Council (the “Budget Statement”).

Section 2. A public hearing will be held on the Budget Statement in accordance with the requirements of Nebraska Revised Statute § 13-506. Before the final passage and approval of this Ordinance, the Budget Statement may be amended in accordance with comments received at the public hearing, the property valuations provided by Box Butte County, any action to exceed the allowable growth for restricted funds as determined by law, and as necessary to adjust for any other information gathered by the City before October 1, 2023.

Section 3. In accordance with the requirements of the Nebraska Budget Act and Nebraska Revised Statute § 16-704, the amounts set forth in the Budget Statement shall be and are hereby recognized as the budget appropriations for the City of Alliance, Nebraska for the fiscal year 2023-2024. The fund descriptions and amounts are as follows:

<b>Fund Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
General	\$13,150,400
Electric	14,750,400
Refuse	2,613,700
Sewer	683,500
Water	2,859,000
Golf Course	703,300
Airport Operations	3,525,000
Public Transit	567,500
Streets	3,129,000
RSVP	98,200
Museum Exhibit	14,700
HUD/Housing	170,000
Community Betterment (KENO)	15,200

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Economic Development	923,300
LB 840 Fund	510,000
Redevelopment (TIF)	1,750,000
Sales Tax Fund	2,400,000
Lodging Occupation Tax	166,000
Capital Projects Fund	1,019,000
Public Safety Tax	294,000
State 911 Funds	80,000
General Internal Service	2,415,900
Enterprise Internal Service	265,700
Health Support Internal Service	2,323,500
American Recovery Plan Act	1,150,000
Fund	
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>\$55,577,300</b>

Section 4. Upon final passage and approval of this Ordinance, the Budget Statement is adopted by the City of Alliance Nebraska as the adopted budget statement. When completed, a copy of the Budget Statement shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and to the County Clerk of Box Butte County, Nebraska, for use by the levying authority.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective October 1, 2023.

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2023.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Jones, Mischnick, McGhehey, Andersen and Mashburn.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The next item on the agenda was the appointment of Michael O'Dell to serve on the Planning Commission with his term expiring December 31, 2024.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McGhehey, which was seconded by Councilman Mischnick to appoint Michael O'Dell to the Alliance Planning Commission with his term expiring December 31, 2024.

Roll call vote with the following results:

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Voting Aye: Jones, Mischnick, McGhehey, Andersen and Mashburn.

Voting Nay: None.

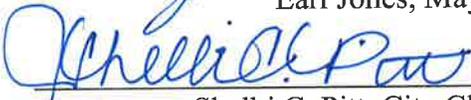
Motion carried.

- The final item on the agenda was the presentation from City Treasurer Cindy Baker on the Third Quarter Financials.

The Alliance City Council adjourned the August 15, 2023 City Council Meeting at 7:22 p.m.

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Earl Jones, Mayor

  
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Shelbi C. Pitt, City Clerk

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