

December 19, 2023

ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023

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 CITY OF ALLIANCE)

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, December 19, 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 December 13, 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 December 19, 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 Mashburn, seconded by Councilman Andersen to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR – DECEMBER 19, 2023

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, December 5, 2023.
2. Approval: Payroll from December 15, 2023 in the total amount of \$253,555.03.
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; \$1,127,354.56.
4. Approval: Cemetery Certificate for Dyer, Susan C.

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5. Approval: Alliance Volunteer Fire Department Roster Update.
6. Approval: Resolution 23-110 which will authorize the City Manager and the City Treasurer to prepay any bill that has been previously budgeted, where penalties could be assessed or where payment must otherwise be expedited incurred as a result of timing prior to City Council approval of the claims listing and the billing cycles of the vendors.

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, McGhehey, Mischnick, Andersen and Mashburn.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The second item on the agenda was to proclaim for Catholic Schools Week.

The St. Agnes students were in attendance to receive the proclamation for Catholic Schools Week. Vice Mayor McGhehey read the following proclamation:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The week of January 29, 2024 to February 2, 2024 is National Catholic Schools Week; and,

WHEREAS, The theme of which is “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence, Service; and,

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, does hereby proclaim:

The week of January 29, 2024 – February 2, 2024 as:

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

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In the City of Alliance, Nebraska, and urge all citizens to recognize Catholic Schools for their commitment to excellence in quality education.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Alliance to be affixed on this 19th day of December in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Three.

- Last item on the agenda for Council was an Agenda Request from Denise M. Yocum which was received on November 29, 2023 to speak before the City Council.

Councilman Andersen, announced the Agenda Request from Denise M. Yocum will be removed from the Agenda as Denise M. Yocum did not appear to speak before the City Council.

The Alliance City Council adjourned the December 19, 2023 City Council Meeting at 7:06 p.m.

(SEAL)



Earl Jones, Mayor



Shelbi C. Pitt, City Clerk

Complete minutes of the Alliance City Council may be viewed by the public during regular work hours at the City Clerk's Office, 324 Laramie Avenue, Alliance, Nebraska