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**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Council Chambers, City Hall, 809 Main Street, Bridgeport, Nebraska
Thursday, May 8, 2008
7:30 PM

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bridgeport, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:38 p.m. May 8, 2008 in City Council Chambers at Bridgeport City Hall, 809 Main Street, Bridgeport, Nebraska. Present were J.W. Berg, Mayor; Councilmen Greg Lussetto, Jason Schmunk, Willis Beyer, and Gary Oltmann. City Attorney Jimmie J. Jensen, Jr., City Administrator Bill Boyer, City Clerk/Treasurer Dori Huck, Utilities Superintendent Wayne Kautz, Assistant Utilities Superintendent Daniel Smith, Utilities Assistant Perry Nelson, Police Chief Ismael Cardenas, and Citizens George Chikos and Justin J. Bilby were also present. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Bridgeport News-Blade, the designated method of notice given, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Councilmen and a copy of their acknowledgment or receipt of such notice is attached to these minutes. Availability of the Agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and City Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Berg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcement of Open Meetings Act

Mayor Berg announced, "In accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the open meetings act is posted at the back of the Council Chambers for the review of the public."

Notice of Changes in the Agenda

Mayor Berg asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were none.

Bill Boyer, City Administrator
Dori Huck, City Clerk/Treasurer
Jimmie J. Jensen, Jr., City Attorney

Jason Schmunk, Council President
Willis Beyer, Councilman
Greg Lussetto, Councilman
Gary Oltmann, Councilman

Oral Communications – Recognition of Visitors

Mayor Berg welcomed all visitors in attendance and invited any member of the public to address the Council on a topic that was not on the agenda. There were none.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were offered to the Council on Consent Agenda:

1. Approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting held April 10, 2008.
2. Approve the Application for Special Designated License submitted by Justin James Bilby (dba "Rock 'N Horse Lounge") in connection with their Class C-77614 liquor license to dispense beer and distilled spirits at the Rock 'N Horse Lounge, 909 Main Street, Bridgeport, on May 31, 2008, from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. in conjunction with a beer garden.
3. Approve Boni Golden as a probationary status member of the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department.

Councilman Lussetto moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilman Schmunk. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Beyer Lussetto, Oltmann, Schmunk; Nay: None. Motion carried.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

IV. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

V. CLAIMS

Councilman Schmunk stated that he has a conflict with the Sonny's Super Foods and Performance Auto Spa claims and asked to be excused from voting on those claims. Mayor Berg excused Councilman Schmunk. Councilman Beyer moved to approve the claims to Sonny's Super Foods and Performance Auto Spa, seconded by Councilman Lussetto. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Oltmann, Beyer, Lussetto; Nay: None; Not Voting, Excused: Schmunk. Motion carried.

Councilman Schmunk rejoined the Council.

Councilman Schmunk moved to approve the claims on file, seconded by Councilman Oltmann. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Lussetto, Schmunk, Oltmann, Beyer; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Aflac, \$114.90; Alamar, \$71.74; Alltel, \$349.75; American Legal Publishing Corp, \$1026; Bateman Trading Post, \$1445.31; Benzel Pest Control Inc, \$90; Berg's Gamble Store, \$1299.51; Bill Boyer, \$265.35; Bluecross Blueshield Of Ne, \$4638; Bluffs Sanitary Supply Inc, \$247.44; Bnb Inc, \$461.60; Bridgeport 66 Service, \$56.45; Bridgeport High School, \$2110; Broadway Office Supply Inc, \$47.79; Brodart Co, \$62.44; Capital Bank And Trust Company, \$2782.03; Carolyn Arellano, \$76.40; Central Alarm System, \$1537.23; Charlotte Brown, \$75; Charter Communications, \$150.10; Chase Cardmember

Service, \$1114.35; City Of Bridgeport, \$2020.07; City Petty Cash/Checking, \$15; City Petty Cash/Drawer, \$28.41; Combined Utility Fund, \$10000; Comfort Inn, \$292.30; Commsource Inc, \$4852.02; Community Center, \$10000; Connecting Point Computer Centers, \$67; Contractors Materials, Inc, \$521.80; Crescent Electric Supply Co, \$660.79; Culligan Water Conditioning, \$39.90; Dale Bentley, \$305; Dewey's Sporting Goods, \$79.98; Dudden Redi-Mix Inc, \$346; Energy Laboratories Inc, \$1521.75; Enviro Service Inc, \$13; Family Support Registry, \$422; Farm Plan Department, \$441.12; Fire Fund, \$1000; Follett Software Company, \$2588.42; Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co, \$120.40; Francotyp-Postalia Inc, \$74.85; Gale Group, \$113.60; Gopher, \$22.90; Grainger, \$94.12; Great Plains One Call Service, \$27.74; Helena Chemical Company, \$87.50; Honey Wagon Express, \$68; Ideal Linen Supply Inc, \$308.84; IIMC, \$100; Ingram Library Services, \$712.81; Jason & Shaina Gonzales, \$66.18; Jean Rhodes, \$100; Jim Woznick, \$200; Jimmie J Jensen Jr, \$750; Jose Dominguez, \$5275; Kellye Riggs, \$47.94; Koke's Auto Farm Truck, \$846.27; Kriz-Davis Co, \$352.73; Labels Leadville & Lore, \$30; Larue Distributing Inc, \$118.42; Library Fund, \$10000; Loup Valley Lighting Inc, \$581.08; Mid American Specialties, Inc, \$156.73; Midamerica Books, \$187.73; Misty Graham, \$52.16; Morrill County Sheriff, \$500; Morrill County Weed Control, \$897.75; Mr. Water, \$132.50; Municipal Energy Agency Of Ne, \$52078.26; Ne Dept Of Health & Human Services, \$392; Nebraska Department Of Revenue, \$1460.41; Nebraska Printworks, \$124.29; Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab, \$40; Nebraska Public Power District, \$184.54; Nebraska Total Office, \$2153.41; Newsweek, \$23; Northwest Pipe Fittings Inc Of Scottsblu, \$2389.60; Orbitcom, \$1047.26; Panhandle Cooperative Assn, \$213.04; Park Fund, \$15000; Penworthy Company, \$230.86; Performance Auto Spa, \$20; Platte Valley Bank, \$6712.03; Plumb-Rite, \$105; Police Fund, \$30000; Pool Fund, \$9000; Printworks, \$124.29; Ray Callan, \$30.15; Reams, \$3307.54; Rick Aurich, \$167.35; Riverside Lumber LLC, \$940; Ryan Mohrman, \$35; Sandra Bowker, \$35; Sargent Drilling Co, \$600; Slafter Oil Company, \$785.78; Smithsonian, \$34; Solomon Corporation, \$7020; Sonny's Super Foods, \$972.90; Source Gas LLC, \$1781.30; Spic And Span Cleaners, \$4267.55; Staples, \$99.07; Star Herald, \$59; Susan Sparks, \$150; Sweet Things Bakery, \$3.50; The Tarnished Halo, \$57.95; Tim's Jack & Jill, \$710.09; Trail Animal Clinic, \$233; Upstart, \$384.91; US News, \$15; Walters Sharpening Service, \$50; Waste Connections Inc, \$13517.15; Western Ne Community College, \$249; Wildmans Bar & Grill, \$67.15; XM Satellite Radio, \$172.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

1. There were no emergency items added to the agenda.
2. City Administrator Boyer reported to the Council his concern about offering an optional payment to City Employees who elect to defer group insurance. Boyer said that after discussion with the insurance companies, such payment could encourage employees to drop off of the city plan, which would increase the cost of the plan for the City in the long run. Mayor Berg asked for a motion to offer the optional payment. There was no motion, therefore the Mayor declared the issue closed.
3. City Administrator Boyer reported to the Council that staff had no opinion on whether to “trade in” the city’s skid steer for a new one. After a brief discussion, the Mayor asked for a motion to “trade in” the skid steer. There was no motion, therefore the Mayor declared the issue closed.
4. City Clerk Huck reported that the City received no bids on the 1998 Crown Victoria Police Car. City Administrator Boyer suggested that the City look at keeping the car as a vehicle for employees to use when travelling out of town. There was no objection from the Council.

5. School Board President George Chickos addressed the Council concerning the softball tournaments that are held at the ball fields, which are owned by the school. He wanted to remind the Council that the area is a drug free zone, and wanted to encourage a letter be sent out with registration information stating that fines are doubled in that area if drinking occurs. The Mayor said he would instruct the people responsible for the tourneys to include that information in their packet, and also encourage the Police Department to keep an eye on the area during the tournaments.

6. City Administrator Boyer asked that the discussion regarding after-hours answering service be tabled to the next meeting, because of conflicting and confusing figures he received from one of the companies. The Mayor declared the item tabled.

7. City Administrator Boyer stated that after attending NRD meetings, he was familiar with the NRD rule allowing municipalities to allocate up to 25 million gallons of water to an industrial use that must be offset by the NRD. Boyer said that the law will be changing soon, and the City will be able to do this for every industrial or new commercial use that locates in the City, so there would no future ramifications of allocating this water to Bridgeport Ethanol, LLC. Councilman Beyer moved to allocate 25 million gallons of water per year to Bridgeport Ethanol, LLC, seconded by Councilman Schmunk. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Oltmann, Schmunk, Lussetto, Beyer; Nay: None. Motion carried.

VII. STAFF REPORTS

1. Mayor Berg declared to accept the March 2008 Treasurers Report as received.

2. City Administrator Boyer informed the Council that he, the Mayor and Utilities Superintendent Kautz will be travelling to North Platte to meet with USDA-Rural Development concerning the water grant on May 19, 2008. He should have more information on the future of the water project at that time.

There being no other business, Councilman Beyer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m., seconded by Councilman Oltmann. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Schmunk, Beyer, Oltmann, Lussetto; Nay: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Dori Huck, City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED:

J.W. Berg, Mayor