

## **CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, NEBRASKA**

### **I. ROUTINE BUSINESS**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bridgeport, Nebraska, met in special session in Council Chambers, 809 Main Street, Bridgeport, Nebraska, on the 10th day of March, 2009, beginning at 4:04 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, Mayor J.W. Berg called the meeting to order. Roll call resulted as follows: Present: Greg Lussetto, Gary Oltmann, and Willis Beyer; Absent: Jason Schmunk.

Staff members present were: City Administrator Bill Boyer, City Clerk/Treasurer Doretta Huck, and Public Works Director Wayne Kautz.

The Mayor presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

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 the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting at three public places, the United States Post Office, Bridgeport City Hall, and Prairie Winds Community Center, the alternate method of notice given, as shown by attached affidavit of posting.

Notice was given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

### **II. REGULAR AGENDA**

1. There were no emergency items added to the agenda.
2. Councilman Schmunk was declared present at 4:06 p.m. Councilman Lussetto moved to approve the Application for Special Designated License submitted by Justin James Bilby (dba "Rock 'N Horse Lounge) in connection with the Class CK-77614 liquor license to dispense beer and distilled spirits at Prairie Winds Community Center, 424 Main Street, Bridgeport, on Saturday, March 28, 2009, from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. in conjunction with a wedding reception, seconded by Councilman Oltmann. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Beyer, Oltmann, Lussetto, Schmunk; Nay: None. Motion carried.
3. City Administrator Boyer discussed funding options with the Council. Boyer stated that the Governor announced stimulus package funding last week, and the City of Bridgeport was offered \$5,830,650 in funds from the state revolving loan fund (SRF). This would include \$1,457,622.50 in loan forgiveness, or grant funds that would not have to be repaid. The remainder would be low-interest loans. Gary Gerhard of Olsson Associates was present and discussed potential impacts on the project. If the City accepted the stimulus funds, it would save nearly \$2.5 million over the period of repayment. Boyer said the City could accept a 20, 25, or 30 year repayment option. The shorter the time period, the less interest the City would pay, and the more savings that would ultimately be realized. This would create a slightly higher average monthly payment per customer, but the repayment would be cut in half from the 40-years

the City has to repay Rural Development funding. Councilman Lussetto moved to accept the stimulus package funds, with the 20-year repayment option, seconded by Councilman Schmunk. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Oltmann, Beyer, Schmunk, Lussetto; Nay: None. Motion carried.

City Administrator Boyer also said there was an issue with the Department of Economic Development's Community Development Block Grant. The Council directed Boyer to discuss the issues with DED and the Council will take action at their special meeting on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

4. Gary Gerhard with Olsson Associates discussed a few problem areas in the City with their water pits. There are five places where the tap is in an area where the service line runs across a neighbor's property, and sometimes under the neighbor's house or garage. In the past, the City has moved the water tap to the property line, and had the homeowner pay for their service line to reconnect to the new tap. After discussion, Councilman Oltmann moved to have the City pay for all costs associated with moving the water pit and tap to the lot line, with the homeowner responsible for all costs to hook up to the new tap, seconded by Councilman Lussetto. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Schmunk, Beyer, Lussetto, Oltmann; Nay: None. Motion carried.

### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

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Doretta J. Huck  
City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED:

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J.W. Berg  
Mayor

I, the undersigned Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is the full, true and correct original document of proceedings of Thursday, March 9, 2009, had and done by the Mayor and City Council; that all of the subjects included in the proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Doretta J. Huck  
City Clerk/Treasurer