

MINUTES OF MEETING

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of West Point, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 444 S. Main Street, West Point, Nebraska.

Present were: Mayor Bruce A. Schlecht; Councilmembers: Shea Stokely, Ryan Penrose, Tom Swenson, Mark Buse, Jerry Hugo, and Rusty Smith. Absent: None.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and stated that in accordance with State Statute Section 84-1412 the Open Meetings Act is posted on the west wall of the Council Chambers for public information. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

Moved by Swenson, seconded by Smith, to approve the following consent agenda:

1. City appointed volunteer boards and commissions - none.
2. Fire & rescue departments – accept the resignation of Jessica Hunke from West Point Rescue.
3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting.
4. Treasurer's report.
5. Claims.

Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

	PAYROLL	187,142.19
WESTERN AREA POWER ADMIN	ELEC-POWER	9,771.30
WAGNER TIRE & REPAIR LLC	FUEL/REPAIR	263.46
CENTRAL VALLEY AG	POLICE FUEL	604.05
CITY PAYROLL TAX FUND	EMPLOYER FICA	7,069.97
ASCENSUS LLC	RETIRE CONTRIB	3,969.14
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	1,324.81
ANDERSON FORD OF LINCOLN	POLICE VEHICLE	38,863.00
HUGO PLUMBING & HEATING	SUPPLIES/REP & MAINT	1,860.33
TOM SWENSON ADVERTISING	SUPPLIES	1,150.12
CHRISTIANSEN CONSTRUCTION CO	POOL PROJECT PYMT #4	336,907.51
PETROMART	FUEL	2,381.65
NEBRASKA DEPT. OF REVENUE	SALES TAX	31,703.28
CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER	ELEC-POWER	511.49
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY	GAS SERVICE	5,849.45
LASTING IMPRESSIONS	LB840 LOAN/GRANT	25,000.00
CITY PAYROLL TAX FUND	EMPLOYER FICA	7,378.12
ASCENSUS LLC	RETIRE CONTRIB	4,058.21
LOCAL	LB840 GRANT/LOAN	40,000.00

MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY OF	ELEC POWER	303,950.58
BCBS OF NEBRASKA	HEALTH INS	47,337.58
DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT	FIRE TRUCK (CITY'S HALF)	57,156.50
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	INS PREMIUM	1,803.92
ADVANCED CONSULTING	POOL BOND	17,500.00
AQUATIC DESIGN CONSULTANTS,INC	POOL PROJECT ENGINEER	4,266.75
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	SUPPLIES/REP & MAINT	288.39
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	1,392.14
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	SUPPLIES/REP & MAINT	662.02
BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, INC.	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	2,099.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL	RESCUE SUPPLIES	396.55
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	TRAINING/TRAVELSERVICE/SUPPLIES	2,499.76
CENTURY LINK	PHONE SERVICE	1,034.49
CORE & MAIN LP	WTR METERS	1,536.92
CORE HEALTH CLUB, LLC	POLICE TRAINING	234.00
CREATIVE XPRESSIONS	UNIFORMS	101.90
CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER	ELEC WHEELING	5,791.80
DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT	FIRE-SERVICE/REP (1/2)	249.89
DINKLAGE MEDICAL CLINIC	POLICE- A. PEATROWSKY	423.00
DINSLAGE SMALL ENGINE	ELEC DIST-REPAIR	172.03
DUTTON LAINSON CO	STREET LIGHTS/SUPPLIES	1,240.34
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	LIBRARY SERVICE	54.00
ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING CO	COMM CNTR OPER SUPPLIES	210.50
ELITE COMPUTERS	COMPUTER SERVICE	340.00
ENGELMEYER REPAIR LLC	SALES TAX (MOWER)	13,051.72
GALE/CENGAGE LEARNING	LIBRARY BOOKS	363.03
GALL'S INC	POLICE SUPPLIES	342.14
L. P. GILL INC.	SAN TIPPING FEE	6,431.88
GRAINGER	STRT REP BLDG	130.35
GRAYBEAL'S FOOD	SUPPLIES	141.49
HAWKINS INC.	WTR TRMT SUPPLIES	4,544.16
HEIMAN INC	FIRE-UNIFORMS	9,002.81
HD SUPPLY FACILITIES MAINT LTD	REP & MAINT/SUPPLIES/CAP EXP	2,769.64
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	LIBRARY BOOKS	918.25
JEO CONSULTING GROUP INC	PROF SERVICES-LEVEE	10,068.75
JACKSON SERVICES INC.	UNIFORMS & SERVICE	1,298.11
THE LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA	REGISTRATION FEES	2,261.00
LEISURE LAWN CARE	LIBRARY SERVICE	563.85
LESLIE'S POOLMART INC.	SWR TRMT SUPPLIES	4,888.57
LOGEMANN AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES/REP & MAINT	876.77
MAHASKA	COMM CNTR CONC	801.22
MICROMARKETING LLC	LIBRARY AUDIO/BOOKS	543.79
MIDWEST LABORATORIES INC	SWR TRMT SERVICE	725.42
MIDWEST TAPE LLC	LIBRARY AUDIO/BOOKS	343.12
NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH	WTR DIST SERVICE	70.00

NEBRASKA VET SERVICES	POLICE SERVICE	200.60
OCLC, INC.	LIBRARY SERVICE	47.69
ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC.	SERVICE	12.02
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	SUPPLIES	663.64
OVERDRIVE, INC.	LIBRARY BOOKS	47.50
OVERHEAD DOOR CO. OF NORFOLK	RESCUE REPAIR/SERVICE	205.75
PRESTO X	SERVICE	378.55
QUICK MED CLAIMS	RESCUE SERVICES	879.36
S2 ROLL-OFFS LLC	SERVICE	220.00
HEREFORD WORKS LLC dba	REP & MAINT	220.00
ST. JOSEPH'S HILLSIDE VILLA	SR CNTR MEALS	3,526.25
SCANTRON	SERVICE/ REP & MAINT	3,155.82
SEALS AND SERVICE INC.	STREET REP/MAINT EQUIP	90.22
SKYWAVE WIRELESS INC.	SERVICE	262.45
SPARKLIGHT	WTR SERVICE	490.00
SPECIAL ROADS FUND	EQUIP REP & MAINT	538.56
STALP GRAVEL	STREET SUPPLIES	600.96
HD SUPPLY – USA BLUEBOOK	SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	1,245.89
VERIZON BUSINESS	PHONE SERVICE	85.65
VERIZON WIRELESS	POLICE MOBILE BROADBAND	120.03
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE SERVICE	593.82
WESCO RECEIVABLES CORP	ELEC DIST WIRE	10,472.36
WEST POINT LIGHT & WATER	ELEC/WTR/SWR	32,882.31
WEST POINT LIGHT & WATER	CASH ADVANCE REIMBURSEMENT	2,922.85
WEST POINT NEWS	COMM CNTR AD	70.00
WEST POINT RESCUE	RESCUE-AMBULANCE CHGS	550.00
WEST POINT TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	376.35
WEST POINT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT	TRAINING/REP & MAINT/SUPPLIES	5,151.77
WOERNER'S GARBAGE SERVICE	GARBAGE SERVICE	287.00
JOHN ADAMS	POLICE TRAINING/TRAVEL EXP	33.07
ADVANCED GRAPHIX INC	POLICE REP/MAINT	544.50
AGRIVISION EQUIPMENT GROUP	PARK REP/MAINT EQUIP	405.40
BIBLIONIX	LIBRARY SUBSCRIPTION	2,810.00
BIRDS & BLOOMS	LIBRARY SUBSCRIPTION	34.98
CARDIAC AND PULMONARY SERVICE	POLICE CPR TRAINING (4)	180.00
COLLABORATIVE SUMMER LIBRARY	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	423.64
EMC INSURANCE COMPANY	INS PREMIUM	820.00
FAIRFIELD BY MARRIOTT	WTR TRMT TRAINING/TRAVEL	219.90
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS	ADMIN PROF SERVICES	200.00
FONTENELLE FOREST	LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP	300.00
FRANCISCAN HEALTHCARE	SR CNTR SUPPLIES	225.51
HISTORY NEBRASKA	LIBRARY SUBSCRIPTION	35.00
HOLIDAY INN KEARNEY	ADMIN TRAVEL/TRAINING	574.75
HOTSY EQUIPMENT CO./A NE CORP	STREET REPAIR	1,492.61
HYDRO OPTIMIZATION & AUTO	WTR TRT SERVICE/REP	1,676.07

INTOXIMETERS, INC.	POLICE SUPPLIES	186.50
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	POLICE EQUIP/PEATROWSKY	822.30
JENSEN PLUMBING & HEATING	COMM CNTR FID FUND	1,918.00
CHRIS KREIKEMEIER	COMM CNTR NSAE MEETING	31.25
LINCOLN MARRIOTT CORNHUSKER	TRAINING/TRAVEL	408.00
MELLEN & ASSOCIATES	WTR PLANT SUPPLIES	1,469.71
NE DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	STREET-MAINT AGRMT	6,087.30
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING	POLICE MISC	10.00
NE STATE FIRE MARSHALL	ELEC BOILER CERTS	81.00
NORFOLK DAILY NEWS	POLICE AD/COMM CNTR INSIGHT	531.63
AUSTIN PEATROWSKY	POLICE TRAINING UNIFORMS/SUPP	258.02
JAMES PEATROWSKY	WTR TRMT TRAINING/TRAVEL	49.59
STRACHAN SALES, INC.	COMM CNTR REP/MAINT	336.93
STUNTCAMS LLC	POLICE-BODY CAMERAS	1,287.00
SUNBELT SOLOMON SERVICES LLC	ELEC DIST-TRANSFORMERS	21,442.88
SUNSET LAW ENFORCEMENT	POLICE TRAINING	1,432.60
T&R SERVICE COMPANY	ELEC DIST-TRANSFORMER DISPOSAL	4,020.00
DEB YOSTEN	ADMIN TRAINING/TRAVEL	265.88
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY	GAS SERVICE	4,328.31

The Council considered a request from Ronald Kreikemeier and Linda Kreikemeier for parking stalls on the public right-of-way at their property at 105 N. Oak Street. Following discussion, it was moved by Hugo, seconded by Swenson, to approve the request of Ronald Kreikemeier and Linda Kreikemeier to pave parking stalls at 105 N. Oak Street. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The next agenda item was the use of Eminent Domain to acquire the property located at the W 1/2 of Lots 5 and 6, in Block 47, in the Original Plat of the City of West Point, Cuming County, Nebraska (House located at 130 E. Sheridan St.) owned by Frat Order of Eagles. After discussion, Smith made a motion to offer original agreement with exception of a 12' foot easement with equal amount of ground (240 sq ft) to be added onto the north end of the lot with all other terms as of last offer and as discussed, seconded by Stokely. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Tina Biteghe Bi Ndong, Executive Director of the West Point Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the Council and presented the quarterly report on the Chamber's economic development activities. It was moved by Smith and seconded by Buse to accept the report and approve the payment of \$5,000 for services January-March, 2023. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The City Administrator presented the Council with an opportunity for additional generation and capacity. There are Units for sale that have the capability to produce two megawatts of power. Each unit is priced at approximately \$300,000.00. Following discussion, it was moved by Smith, seconded by Buse, to move forward hiring an Electrical Engineer and contracting with JEO. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The City Administrator then presented the Council with the 2023 Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Annual Report. The report showed the progress of the redevelopment projects that were financed in whole or in part through TIF. This report will also be given to the taxing entities affected by such division of taxes. It was moved by Swenson and seconded by Smith to accept the 2023 Tax Increment Financing Annual Report. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Morrow, Davies & Toelle, P.C (Cruise & Associates) has prepared the City's Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022 and each councilmember was provided a copy. In the absence of hard copies being available, this matter was tabled until next meeting.

The Council considered approval of the Early Redemption and Prepayment of the Outstanding Refunding Certificates on the Nielsen Center. Stokely introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST POINT, NEBRASKA AUTHORIZING THE EARLY REDEMPTION AND PREPAYMENT OF THE OUTSTANDING REFUNDING CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION (WEST POINT, NEBRASKA COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT) SERIES 2017.

Hugo seconded the motion. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried and said resolution adopted.

Moved by Buse, seconded by Swenson, to approve the claim of Hugo Plumbing & Heating for services and supplies in the amount of \$26,074.29. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, and Smith. Nay: None. Abstaining: Hugo. Motion carried.

Moved by Swenson, seconded by Smith, to approve the application for Special Designated Liquor Permit for Graybeal's Food for the West Point Beemer Alumni Banquet on May 27, 2023. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Council considered the request from the Cattlemen's Ball Committee for use of city streets for a Cattlemen's Ball Stampede Fun Run on June 3, 2023. The proposed route was reviewed. Moved by Smith and seconded by Swenson to approve the request for use of city streets for a Cattlemen's Ball Stampede Fun Run on June 3, 2023. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Smith introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL of the City of West Point, Nebraska, to approve Application/Payment No. 5 in the amount of \$113,892.96 to Christiansen Construction Company for the West Point Aquatic Center Project and authorize the City Clerk to make payment.

Penrose seconded the motion. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried and said resolution adopted.

The City Administrator then announced the following:

1. LOCAL will be doing a grand opening at end of April. They will have an ice cream truck in front of their business for the event.
2. CCCFF grants applied for the pool were rejected. The planning grant for the rec center was approved.

Moved by Swenson, seconded by Buse, to adjourn at 6:06 P.M. Voting Yea: Stokely, Penrose, Swenson, Buse, Hugo, and Smith. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Debbie Yosten
City Clerk