

**MINUTE RECORD**  
**GIBBON CITY COUNCIL**  
**Monday, October 16, 2023**

The Gibbon City Council, Buffalo County, Nebraska met in open public session at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall on Monday, October 16, 2023. Notice of the meeting was given by posting on Facebook on October 13, 2023, and posting at Gibbon City Hall, Gibbon Post Office, and Gibbon Exchange Bank.

Mayor Deb VanMatre called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Open Meetings Notice is posted on the west wall of the Council Chambers. The City of Gibbon abides by the Open Meetings Act in conducting business.

Roll Call: Leon Stall: Present  
Derrick Clevenger: Present  
Bob Krier: Present  
Kevin Kraenow: Present

Present: 4: Absent: 0

Submittal of Requests for Future Items: None

Reserve Time to Speak on Agenda Items: None

**Presentations and Proclamations:**

Buffalo County Sheriff's Department—Captain Bob Anderson: Captain Anderson provided the monthly report, indicating the department is fully staffed and maintenance will be done on the speed trailers. Activities are normal for this time of year. Councilman Stall commented on the CSO officer attending and interacting with the school students during their homecoming week activities. Councilman Clevenger asked about folks not being able to hear scanner traffic on their scanners since the county switched radios. Captain Anderson will have Lieutenant Tubbs contact Matt Smallcomb on a solution.

Mayor Report—Deb VanMatre: Mayor VanMatre provided an update on the League of Municipalities Annual Conference. She complimented Matt for the presentation he led on the fellowship program and students we hosted this summer as well as his representation of the City of Gibbon. As League President, she had the honor to present Buffalo County Sheriff Neil Miller the "League Distinguished Service Award" for his dedication and advocacy resulting in the passage of LB 1014 and LB 1241 in the 2022 legislative session. Per the bylaws of LARM and LIGHT, the council will need to ratify actions taken at their respective annual member meetings which were held in conjunction with the League conference.

City Administrator Report—Matthew Smallcomb: Mr. Smallcomb asked if there were any questions on the operations report. There were none. Mr. Smallcomb gave an update on the community center and city hall project. City crews poured concrete on the south side of the building, sprinklers will be installed and a couple more trees have been planted. On Point Construction is still in the bid submittal process. There will be a meeting on October 25<sup>th</sup> with the community room board. We are requesting council approval to sell the fire hood, as there is interest, and it will not be needed. We will be switching all cell phones to FirstNet, which is a phone service that prioritizes in government agencies, and provides better coverage. The current lease for golf carts is up and we are requesting approval for 15 carts rather than ten.

City attorney Report—Barry Hemmerling: Mr. Hemmerling will have several ordinances next month to update language and address any state statutes that were passed in the last legislative session.

City Treasurer Report—Susan Tonniges: Ms. Tonniges reviewed the monthly financials, indicating that these are draft copies as there are a few payables for the fiscal year end that will still need to be recorded. Ms. Tonniges will have complete and final reports at the November meeting.

BD Construction—Scott Kralik and Jon Mosbarger: Mr. Kralik gave an update on the fire hall construction. They are hopeful the building will be available to hold the community's Halloween event in addition to an open house scheduled for December 2<sup>nd</sup> in conjunction with Christmas in the Park. Mr. Kralik went over the change order relating to the upgrades required by the State Fire Marshall. The State Fire Marshall is requiring changes in the original west portion of the fire hall that were not included in the original addition and renovation plans. Mr. Mosbarger and Mr. Kralik stated that it would be most cost effective to have the work done while the crews are still on site. If the change order were to be approved they could have the materials and work completed on schedule.

Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 663 Changing the Residential Rate for Collection of Garbage

Ordinance No. 663 now came up for second reading. Ordinance No. 663 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIBBON, BUFFALO COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AMENDING SECTION 51.04 OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL RATE FOR COLLECTION OF GARBAGE.

A motion was made by Council Member Leon Stall that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Council Member Derrick Clevenger seconded the motion to suspend the rule.

Leon Stall: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

The motion to suspend the rule was adopted by majority of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said Ordinance.

Said ordinance was then reads by title AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIBBON, BUFFALO COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AMENDING SECTION 51.04 OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL RATE FOR COLLECTION OF GARBAGE and thereafter Council Member Leon Stall moved for final passage of the Ordinance, which motion was seconded by Council Member Derrick Clevenger.

The Mayor then stated the question "Shall Ordinance No. 663 be passed and adopted?"

Leon Stall: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted and the Mayor in the presence of the Council signed and approved the Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto and ordered the Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form as provided therein.

Ordinance No. 664 Approving the Emergency Purchase of Parts and Materials and Installation for the Waste Gas system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Thereafter Council Member Bob Krier introduced Ordinance No. 664 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIBBON, BUFFALO COUNTY, NEBRASKA APPROVING THE EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF PARTS AND MATERIALS AND INSTALLATION FOR THE WASTE GAS SYSTEM AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT and moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Council Member Leon Stall seconded the motion to suspend the rule.

Bob Krier: Yea; Leon Stall: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

The motion to suspend the rule was adopted by majority of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said Ordinance.

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The Mayor then stated the question "Shall Ordinance No. 664 be passed and adopted?"

Leon Stall: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted and the Mayor in the

presence of the Council signed and approved the Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto and ordered the Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form as provided therein.

**Consent Agenda:**

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Bob Krier.

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Leon Stall: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

The items approved in the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Minutes of the September 18, 2023 Hearing for the 2023-2024 Budget & Summary

Minutes of the September 18, 2023 Hearing to Set Final Tax Request

Minutes of the September 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Minutes of the October 3, 2023 Special Council Meeting

Claims for the Month of October

Buffalo County Sheriff Department Report

Treasurers Report

Planning Commission Report

Building Permit 2023-21 Garry & Deanna Wagoner—331 Pine Avenue—Front Porch

Building Permit 2023-22 Marc Willis—701 Turkey Drive—Fence

Building Permit 2023-23 Green Brick, LLC.—45670 70<sup>th</sup> Road—Storage units/fence

Sign Permit 2023-04—Pistoleros Bar & Mexican Grill—801 Front Street—Double faced sign

Gibbon Volunteer Fire Department Report

Library Report

Recreation Advisory Board Report

**Resolutions and Motions:**

Resolution No. 2023-17 Temporarily Closing Public Streets for Christmas in the Park Event

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to approve Resolution No. 2023-17 permitting the temporary closing of public streets for the Christmas in the Park Event, seconded by Leon Stall.

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Leon Stall: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2023-18 Directing the Sale of Unused Equipment

A motion was made by Bob Krier to approve Resolution No. 2023-18 directing the sale of unused equipment, seconded by Leon Stall.

Bob Krier: Yea; Leon Stall: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Leon Stall to approve the equipment lease with Masek Distributing, Inc. for 15 golf carts, seconded by Bob Krier.

Leon Stall: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bob Krier to approve a change order for upgrades to the fire hall as required by the State Fire Marshall not to exceed \$61,852.05, seconded by Derrick Clevenger.

Bob Krier: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Leon Stall: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Leon Stall to ratify all action of Deb VanMatre, our LARM representative, identified in the minutes of the Annual Members Meeting of the League Association of Risk Management on September 27, 2023, including the election of nominees to the LARM Board of Directors, seconded by Derrick Clevenger.

Leon Stall: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Leon Stall to ratify all action, including the election of nominees to the LIGHT Board of Directors, of Deb VanMatre, our representative, identified in the minutes of the

Annual Members' Meeting of the League Insurance Government Health Team (LIGHT) on September 29, 2023, seconded by Derrick Clevenger.

Leon Stall: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Other Items:

The next regular Council Meeting will be on Monday, November 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Leon Stall to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Derrick Clevenger.

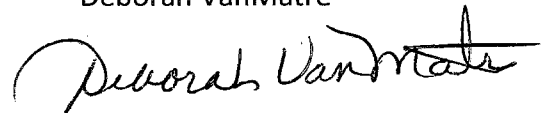
Leon Stall: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea  
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Mayor VanMatre adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Pamela Rasmussen

Matthew Smallcomb

Deborah VanMatre



City Clerk

City Administrator

Mayor

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