

Kimball City Council  
Regular Meeting  
March 19, 2013

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on March 19, 2013 at the City Council Chambers. Mayor Schnell and Council members Warner, Morrison, and Christensen were present. One vacancy exists. Also present were City Administrator Ortiz, City Attorney Hadenfeldt, Electric Superintendent Hinton, City Clerk/Treasurer Russell and Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Strauch. The public was represented.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is on record at the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

Schnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Schnell acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act poster.

Schnell read information regarding the ACE revenue return for FY2012-13. ACE is distributing \$4,629.94 to the City of Kimball as its share of more than \$200,000 being distributed to the 69 Nebraska member communities of the not-for-profit, community-owned natural gas supplier. To date, ACE has given \$33,623 back to the City of Kimball. The Choice Gas selection period is set to begin April 12<sup>th</sup> and run through April 25<sup>th</sup>. Hinton presented the check in the amount of \$4,629.94 to Schnell.

This year, the revenue return will be designated to assist with purchasing the flags for the street poles on Highway 30 for the Lincoln Highway celebration. Hinton explained the flags and banners and said banners will be installed on the poles downtown. Discussion was held on the flags and the possibility of using American flags. Morrison commented that if it is decided to use the American flag, the City may get donations from the business community.

Hinton expressed appreciation to Karen Robinson for taking care of the City's flags and Warner commented on expressing some kind of acknowledgement. Morrison commented that when the new ones are received, it would be the appropriate time.

Schnell opened discussion on the resignation of Councilmember Merryfield and declared a vacancy of councilmember. Merryfield had notified him of his decision to resign due to returning to Afghanistan. The written resignation is included in the council packets. The vacancy will be published in the newspaper and will request interested citizens to provide a written notice to the Mayor of their interest in serving on the council. Schnell plans to present his appointment at the April 2, 2013 council meeting.

There being no further discussion, Morrison moved and Warner seconded to accept the resignation of Council member Merryfield. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Warner, Morrison, and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Schnell opened discussion on his appointment to the Kimball Housing Agency and Airport Authority Board. He had previously appointed Cinda Schwindt to the Housing Agency Board; however, the board members indicated that ever since Vista Villa and Park Terrace combined, it has been the practice to have only one representative. Therefore, Cinda Schwindt resigned and Sheila Story has offered to serve on the board. Schnell has suggested the Housing Agency amend their by-laws to incorporate the aforementioned practice. Robert Duncan will serve Ken Risk's unexpired term on the Airport Authority Board until 2016.

There being no further discussion, Christensen moved and Morrison seconded to approve the Mayor's appointment of Sheila Story to the Kimball Housing Agency and Robert Duncan to the Airport Authority Board to fulfill the remaining terms. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Warner, Morrison, and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The City Council reviewed the following items under the consent agenda:

1. Minutes from the March 5, 2013 meeting;
2. Claims; and
3. Financial Statements

Christensen moved and Merryfield seconded to approve the consent agenda items as presented. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded. Aye: Warner, Morrison, and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The next regular City Council meeting is April 2, 2013.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Warner moved and Christensen seconded to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded. Aye: Warner, Morrison, and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

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James Schnell, Mayor

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Rosemarie Russell, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Kimball-City Council General Claims-March 19, 2013-BRAN, Inc.-Advertising-45.00; High Plains Budweiser- Liquor Purchase-90.00; American Library Association-Supplies-141.00; Baker & Taylor Books-Book Purchase-369.36; Sheryl Biesecker-Contract Cleaning-330.00; C & M Air Cooled Engine, Inc.-Parts-1,746.36; Carol's Nut List, Inc.-Shipping-14.47; Center Point Large Print-Book Purchase-125.22; CenturyLink-Telephone-508.81; CenturyLink-Telephone-123.41; Check's Ice Co.-Ice-8.50; City of Kimball-Petty Cash-200.00; Colorado Golf & Turf, Inc.-Parts-90.83; Consolidated Management Company-Meal Plan-199.75; Curless Construction Service-Contract

Labor-165.00; Demco-Supplies-206.21; Fastenal Company-Parts-58.85; Gale-Book Purchase-54.96; Galls, LLC-Nametags-38.46; High West Energy-Utilities-609.24; Hometown Hardware-Supplies-270.01; Darrin Huff-Training-59.48; Ideal Linen Supply, Inc.-Supplies-824.91; Intralinks, Inc. -Computer Support-276.50; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-Uniforms-66.89; Kimball Auto Parts-Parts-36.57; Kimball Midwest-Parts-134.59; Kimball Service Center-Repairs-640.54; L.L. Johnson Distributing Co.-Parts-3,268.26; League of NE Municipalities-Conference-1,002.03; Total Lawn Care-Mark Anderson-Lawn Maintenance-103.68; MicroMarketing, LLC -Book Purchase-248.61; MidAmerica Books-Book Purchase-255.63; Napa Auto Parts-Parts-326.40; Nebraska Environmental Products-Parts-226.87; Nebraska Turfgrass Association-Membership-50.00; Northwest Pipe Fitting, Inc. of S.B.-Hydrants-199.32; Panhandle Coop-Fuel-2,447.83; Panhandle Coop Association-Supplies-231.16; Pepsi-Cola of Western Nebraska-Pepsi Products-392.70; Pizza Hut-Meals-22.05; Postmaster-Box Rental-78.00; Prairie Animal Hospital- Boarding-30.00; Prestige Flag-2,085.63; Presto-X-Monthly Contract-73.08; R & R Products, Inc-Parts-1,609.03; Janet Sears-Expense Report-135.59; Simmons Olsen Law Firm, P.C.-Professional Services-1,587.50; Vicki Snyder-Contract Painting-250.00; SourceGas, LLC-Gas Service-1,689.00; Southern Uniform & Equipment-Uniforms- 76.73; Star-Herald Newspaper-Subscription-139.00; The Computer Guy-Computer Support-75.00; Viaero-Cell Phone -129.16; Visa-Firstier Bank-Charges-2,104.31; Voyager Fleet Systems-Fuel-113.93; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-441.72; Windstream-Long Distance-5.77; Chad Wise-Credit Cards-777.38; Wolf Automotive Center, Inc.-Vehicle Maintenance-439.92; Xerox Corporation-Copier Maintenance-125.63. Economic Development Claims-March 19, 2013-CenturyLink-Telephone-50.06; Harland Clarke-Checks-149.25; Simmons Olsen Law Firm, P.C.-Professional Services-555.00; Viaero-Cell Phone-32.85; Visa-Firstier Bank-Charges-458.56; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-48.23.