**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF PERU, NEBRASKA ON OCTOBER 18, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.**

City Council President Quentin Kieler called the meeting to order and informed the public of the location of the Nebraska Open meeting Act posting.

Present were: City Council President Quentin Kieler, and Council Members: Ethan Coatney, Marty Peregoy, and Spencer Vogt. Absent was Mayor David Pease. Upon roll call by the City Clerk, a quorum was declared.

The Council reviewed the minutes from the September 20, 2021, regular council meeting. Council Member Coatney made motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Vogt seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote as follows; Councilmember S. Vogt: AYE Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: AYE Motion Carried 4-0.

The Council reviewed the minutes from the September 28, 2021, special council meeting. Council member Kieler made motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Coatney seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember S. Vogt: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

Council Member Vogt made the motion to approve the claims already paid pursuant to Resolution No. 2018-01. Motion was seconded by Council Member Peregoy; Discussion, Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember S. Vogt: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

Council Member Peregoy made motion to approve the claims still needing paid. Motion was seconded by Council Member Coatney; Discussion, Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember S. Vogt: AYE Motion Carried 4-0.

NMC Rental - $1,101.28 (wtr); WesTech - $15,750.00 (wtr); JEO-$100,738.75(wtr,swr,); OPPD-$3,339.48(gen,wtr,p&r,sts,rurfr,fr,res);Windstream-$388.31(gen,wtr,p&r,sts,rurfr,fr,res); Verizon-$40.01(wtr); Casey’s-$771.99(sts,res,fr); Card Services-$111.77(gen); Black Hills Energey-$129.37(gen,fr,rurfr,res); Access Systems-$144.16(gen); The Cleaners-$36.00(gen); Heather Pemberton, CPA-$485.00(gen); Concrete Industries-$1019.76(sts); Mike Sullwold-$500.00(p&r,sts); Auburn plumbing & Heating-$121.00(gen);Burr Farms-$190.00(sts); SENDD-$1835.00(gen); Grainger-$5.86(sts); Hawkins-$1423.21(wtr); Cornhusker Press-$62.50(gen); BoundTree-$650.89(res); Auburn Newspaper-$425.34(gen); NAPA-$5.38(sts); Miller Monroe Farrell Ins-$1247.00(gen); Quick Med Claims-$66.78(res); Jimmy Smith-$200.00(sts); Suez-$3460.47(wtr); Brent Lottman-$1273.13(fr,rurfr);Board of Public Works-$3,579.90(wtr); One Call Concepts-$11.54(wtr,swr); American Recycling & Sanitation-$2,521.64(san); Auburn Auto Center-$23.50(sts); Mellage Truck & Tractor-$63.92(fr);Heiman-$625.30(fr,rurfr)

General(gen), Streets(sts), Water(wtr), Sewer(swr), Parks & Rec(p&r), City Fire(fr), Rural Fire(rurfr), Rescue(res), Grant(grnt). Sanitation (san)

The City Clerk reported that the October 2021 Highway Allocation was $8,686.98, the July 2021 City Sales Tax totaled $4,158.40 and the 1st District Municipal Equalization-$26,380.10.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No Mayor’s Report was given

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Item 1.** Disaster Recovery Coordinator, Deborah Solie, reported that the time extensions for all FEMA projects had been submitted to the State. The lagoon repairs are 60% complete and the beginning stages of the permanent water solution are 25% complete. A second property withdrew from the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, a meeting is being arranged to see how the City can move forward with this project. The Town Hall meetings will begin to take place again to keep the community informed on how projects are progressing.

**Item 2.** Council reviewed and updated MOU between the City of Peru and Peru State College for care of Park Avenue. The Clerk stated she would make the requested edits and bring this MOU back to the November meeting to potentially be approved as a resolution. Councilmember Kieler made motion to approve the suggested edits of the MOU between the City of Peru and Peru State College for care of Park Avenue. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Peregoy. Roll Call Vote as follows; Councilmember S. Vogt: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: AYE Motion Carried 4-0

**Item 3.** Peggy Groff spoke to Council about the trailhead. She is helping put together an oversight committee that will work with the NRD in a positive manner. The desired outcome is to show the importance of the trailhead in Peru. First steps will be to get water and electricity back in working order so clean up can begin. This will help the trailhead look more desirable and show that it is used so future NRD funds will be used specifically it. Peggy requested the support of the council and if anyone is interested in sitting on the oversight committee to let her know.

**Item 4.** James Cole, PSC cross country coach, informed the council and public how the Nebraska’s Toughest Mile would take place on October 30th. Council asked if any intersections would need to be blocked and it was stated that in years past there was not a need for it. No formal action was requested from Council.

**Item 5.** Councilmember Coatney made motion to approve Contractor’s Pay Application No. 1 – High Plains Enterprises, Inc. Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Vogt. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember S. Vogt: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

With there being no further business, Council Member Coatney made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Vogt seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember S. Vogt: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

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Quentin Kieler, City Council President.

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Charlotte Carpenter, City Clerk &Treasurer