

The Mayor and Council of the City of Fairbury met in regular session in the Council Chambers located at 612 D Street, Fairbury, Nebraska, on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2019, at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Ward called the meeting to order.

Notice of meeting was given in advance thereof, and the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room and pointed out by Mayor Ward as required by law.

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Doug Brown, Rick Carmichael, Roger Bailey, Tim Polson, Phil Rogge, Ed Friesen, and Kelly Davis.

Mayor Ward called for the submittal of forms to request future agenda items. No forms were submitted during the meeting.

Mayor Ward read the Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 5, 2019.
2. Approval of Claims.

Council Member Rogge moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Carmichael. On roll call vote: Brown, Carmichael, Polson, Rogge, Friesen and Davis, voting “yes.” Bailey abstaining. Motion carried.

Under the first item of current business, “Set Public Hearing Regarding the Semi-Annual Review (July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018) of the Local Option Municipal Sales Tax (LB840) Program. (Set for April 16, 2019). Friesen moved to set the hearing. Motion seconded by Bailey. On roll call vote: Brown, Carmichael, Bailey, Polson, Rogge, Friesen, and Davis voting “yes.” Motion carried.

With no further business, Mayor Ward presented “Ordinance No. 3083 – An ordinance amending City of Fairbury Ordinance No. 3031 to establish water rates; to repeal conflicting ordinance and sections; and to provide for the effective date thereof.” Friesen moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 3083. Motion seconded by Rogge. On roll call vote: Brown, Carmichael, Bailey, Polson, Rogge, Friesen, and Davis voting “yes.” Motion carried.

Under reports, City Administrator Bielser reported that the LB840 Committee recently met and a series of projects would be recommended for Council approval at the April 16, 2019 meeting. A meeting of the Fairbury 150-year celebration committee was recently held and requests for road closures and special designated license would be coming before the Council soon. Staff is working on the utility budget, and Little Blue Natural Resource District was recognized for their recent contribution of a \$10,000 grant to assist with the Crystal Springs Re-Tree project.

Next, Mayor Ward entertained agenda topic “Consider Rental Inspection Program Update.” Mayor Ward requested a motion to enter closed session to protect the public’s interest to discuss attorney-client privileges, potential litigation. Carmichael moved to enter executive session. Motion seconded by Polson. On roll call vote: Brown, Carmichael, Bailey, Polson, Rogge, Friesen, and Davis voting “yes.” Motion carried. Mayor Ward reiterated the reason for entering closed session and invited all council members and city staff to remain. The Governing Body entered closed session at 7:37 p.m.

Friesen then moved to enter open session, which was seconded by Carmichael. On roll call vote: Brown, Carmichael, Bailey, Polson, Rogge, Friesen, and Davis voting “yes.” Motion carried. The City Council entered open session at 8:05 p.m.

Lastly, Mayor Ward entertained a motion to adjourn. Rogge moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Friesen. On roll call vote: Brown, Carmichael, Bailey, Polson, Rogge, Friesen, and Davis voting “yes.” Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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Homer L. Ward, Mayor

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Carissa Lufkin, City Clerk

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