

McCook City Council
August 13, 2024
5:30 P.M.

A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCCOOK, NEBRASKA convened in open, special, and public session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Taylor, Councilmembers Calvin, Weedon, Muehlenkamp, Rambali.

Absent: City Attorney Mustion.

City Officials present: City Manager Schneider, City Clerk Doak, Assistant City Manager Koetter, Library Director Crocker, Utilities Director Fawver, Fire Chief Harpham, Police Chief Hodgson, Public Works Director Potthoff, Senior Services Director Siegfried, Water Superintendent Chitwood, and Wastewater Superintendent White.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the McCook Daily Gazette on August 8, 2024, the designated method of giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and members of the City Council and a copy of the Acknowledgement of Receipt of such notice is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Taylor announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted by the entrance to the Council Chambers and available for public review and called the meeting to order.

1. Budget Workshop.

1.A. Presentation from the McCook Humane Society with respect to increasing the contract amount the City of McCook pays for animal services.

Joyce Peterson, Treasurer of the McCook Humane Society and Bruce McDowell reviewed their request for a 5% increase in the amount that they receive from the City for animal services in FY24/25 and gave an update of the services they provide, the increase in numbers of strays and the additional cost of holding dogs for the Police Department.

1.B. McCook Chamber of Commerce, Sarah Schneider, Director, request that the Council consider allocating \$6,000 of ACE funds to the Chamber for promotional purposes during Fiscal Year 24/25.

Ms. Schneider gave an update of past events and upcoming events for the Chamber and requested the Council consider allocating \$6,000 of ACE funds to the Chamber for promotional purposes during Fiscal Year 24/25.

1.C. Review of the Proposed FY2024/2025 Annual Budget.

Proposed budget documents were presented at the meeting.

Departments Heads and members of their staff reviewed their proposed budgets with the Council.

Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Taylor declared the meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Linda Taylor, Ex-officio Mayor
and Council President

ATTEST:

Lea Ann Doak, City Clerk-Treasurer