

CITY OF TILDEN
City Council Proceedings
December 13, 2022

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Tilden met in regular session on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 7:30pm at the Tilden Council Chambers. Notice of the meeting was given by publication in The Tilden Citizen/Meadow Grove News on November 30, 2022 and by posting at four locations within the city.

(1) Mayor Leo Botsford opened the meeting at 7:30 pm and the Clerk recorded the proceedings.

(2) Declaration of open meetings act.

(3) ROLL CALL: Mayor Leo Botsford. Council Members: Molly Navratil, Patricia Decker, Darrell Wyatt, Lisa Meyer, Travis Rutjens, Allen Smidt.

(4) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(5) MAYOR'S OPEN DISCUSSION – No comments.

(6) CONSENT AGENDA – Smidt moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Wyatt. RCV: Yes – Navratil, Decker, Wyatt, Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt. No – None. Approved.

(7) REPORTS BY CITY DEPARTMENTS-Written reports are kept on file in the City office and are available for public viewing.

(8) Resolution 2022-12-1 – Motion made by Decker to authorize the signing of year-end City street superintendent form, seconded by Wyatt. RCV: Yes – Smidt, Rutjens, Meyer, Wyatt, Decker, Navratil. No – None. Approved.

(9) ORDINANCE 555 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE MODIFICATION OF USE OF A ONE HALF PERCENT PORTION OF THE CITY'S CURRENT ONE AND ONE HALF PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX, EFFECTIVE ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2023, UPON THE SAME TRANSACTIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF TILDEN, NEBRASKA, ON THE PROCEEDS DERIVED THEREFROM TO BE ALLOCATED TO FUND CAPITAL PURCHASES, INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, AND OTHER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, ALL IN THE CITY OF TILDEN, NEBRASKA; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR ADMINISTRATION, ASSESSMENTS, COLLECTIONS, CLAIMS, REMEDIES, PENALTIES AND THE DISPOSITION OF SUCH SALES AND USE TAX; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT OR INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND ESTABLISHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE. Motion made by Rutjens to introduce Ordinance 555, waive the three required readings, final passage and publication in pamphlet form, seconded by Meyer. RCV: Yes – Smidt, Rutjens, Meyer, Wyatt, Decker, Navratil. No – None. Approved.

(10) ORDINANCE 556 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF TILDEN, NEBRASKA, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS IN THE GENERAL ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 8, 2022; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT OR INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND ESTABLISHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE. Motion made by Rutjens to introduce Ordinance 556, waive the three required reading, final passage and publication in pamphlet form, seconded by Meyer. RCV: Yes – Navratil, Decker, Wyatt, Smidt, Rutjens, Meyer. No – None. Approved.

- (11) CEMETERY COMMITTEE – Motion made by Smidt, seconded by Decker to nominate Travis Rutjens, Allen Smidt, and Darrell Wyatt to the board. RCV: Yes – Navratil, Decker, Wyatt, Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt. No – None. Approved.
- (12) HOUSING AUTHORITY – Motion made by Wyatt to approve the appointment of Thomas Zwingman, seconded by Decker. RCV: Yes – Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt, Wyatt, Decker, Navratil. No – None. Approved.
- (13) LOT SPLIT – Motion made by Rutjens, seconded by Smidt to approve the lot split requested by Jerry Dittrich contingent upon the signatures of the property owners and Madison County zoning and authorizing the Mayor to sign. RCV: Yes – Wyatt, Decker, Navratil, Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt. No – None. Approved.
- (14) PROJECTS – Motion made by Meyer to approve the plans and specs and set the bid letting date for January 10th, 2023 at 3:00 pm in the Council chambers, seconded by Wyatt. RCV: Yes – Navratil, Decker, Wyatt, Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt. No – None. Approved.
- (15) CHRISTMAS BONUSES – Motion made by Meyer, seconded by Wyatt to approve amounts same as the previous year. RCV: Yes – Navratil, Decker, Wyatt, Rutjens, Meyer. No – Smidt. Approved.
- (16) HOSPITAL BUILDING – Tabled until further information is collected.
- (17) SPEAKERS – Motion made by Meyer to approve the estimate for 8 downtown speakers paid from keno funds, seconded by Decker. RCV: Yes – Navratil, Decker, Wyatt, Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt. No – None. Approved.
- (18) EASEMENTS – Tabled until January meeting.
- (19) SUNRISE PARK – Park committee will look into a quote and design.
- (20) ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE - With no further business to come before the Council meeting was adjourned *sine die* at 8:35 pm.

REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

- (1) OATH OF OFFICE - City Attorney Brogan conducted the Oath of Office ceremony where newly elected members, Allen Miller and Halle Hart (Council) and Thomas Nelson (Mayor) were sworn into office.
- (2) Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 8:41 pm and the Clerk recorded the proceedings.
- (3) Declaration of open meetings act.
- (4) ROLL CALL: Allen Smidt, Travis Rutjens, Lisa Meyer, Darrell Wyatt, Allen Miller, Halle Hart.
- (5)(6)(7) MAYOR APPOINTMENT OF OFFICES – Motion made by Rutjens, seconded by Wyatt to approve the appointments, committees and the selection of Travis Rutjens as Council President. RCV: Yes – Hart, Miller, Wyatt, Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt. No – None. Approved.

City Employees

Shawna Moore – Clerk
Krystal Meyer – Deputy Clerk
Mike Brogan – City Attorney
Robert Petersen – Chief of Police
Mike Krick – Fire/Rescue Chief
Dr. Douglas Dilly – City Physician
TJ Halsey – City Superintendent/Water Commissioner
Cindy Simeon – Library Director

John Zwingman, Advanced Consulting Engineering Service – City Engineer,
Street Superintendent

Council Subcommittees

Personnel/Police

Mayor Thomas Nelson
Halle Hart

Streets

Al Smidt
Travis Rutjens
Darrell Wyatt

Finance

Darrell Wyatt
Halle Hart
Lisa Meyer

Water/Sewer

Darrell Wyatt
Travis Rutjens
Lisa Meyer

Facilities

Allen Miller
Al Smidt
Travis Rutjens

Parks/Recreation

Allen Miller
Darrell Wyatt
Lisa Meyer

Economic Development/Emergency Services

Al Smidt
Halle Hart
Allen Miller

(8) SUBCOMMITTEE SPENDING LIMIT – Motion made by Rutjens, seconded by Meyer to spend \$5,000 per incident with subcommittee approval. RCV: Yes – Smidt, Rutjens, Meyer, Hart, Miller, Wyatt. No – None. Approved.

(9) ACCOUNT SIGNERS – Motion made by Meyer, seconded by Smidt to approve the following actions:

- Remove Leo Botsford, Molly Navratil, Patricia Decker as bank account signers
 - Add Thomas Nelson, Halle Hart, Allen Miller as bank account signers
 - Allen Smidt and Travis Rutjens as signers on the Lagoon Account
 - Allen Smidt, Travis Rutjens, Lisa Meyer, Darrell Wyatt as signers to the safe deposit box.
- RCV: Yes - Hart, Miller, Wyatt, Meyer, Rutjens, Smidt. No – None. Approved.

(10) TREE REMOVAL – Tabled until January meeting.

With no further business to come before the Council, Rutjens made a motion to adjourn at 8:57 pm, seconded by Smidt.

Shawna Moore, Clerk

Thomas Nelson, Mayor