

**CITY OF LEXINGTON  
LEXINGTON, NEBRASKA**

A Joint Meeting of the Lexington City Council and the Lexington School Board was held Monday, February 9, 2009, at the Lexington Municipal Building, located at 406 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Lexington, Nebraska at 6:00 p.m. Members of the Council present were Mayor John Fagot, Steve Tomasek, John Salem and Linda Miller. Council member Joni Bennett was absent. City Officials present were City Manager Joe Peplitsch, Assistant City Manager Dennis Burnside, City Attorney Will Weinhold, and Deputy City Clerk Pamela Berke. School board members and staff included Fran Carlson, Rod Reynolds, Ann Luther, Cindy Benjamin, Marion McGee, Kent Gydesen, Todd Chessmore, Lydia Hovie, Bryan Bennett, Erin Heineman, Bo Berry, Fred Evans, Krista Huerta and Julie Otero. The press was represented by the Lexington Clipper-Herald and the Kearney Hub.

**NOTICE:** Notice of the meeting was given in advance, thereof by publication in the Lexington Clipper-Herald, the designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these Minutes. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council, and a copy of their Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice and the Agenda is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the Agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this Meeting. The proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. All items presented and discussed on the Agenda were available for public inspection.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Fagot. Fagot informed the public that the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Meeting Room at the Lexington Municipal Building located at 406 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Lexington, Nebraska.

**FORMER WAL-MART BUILDING:** Discussion was held regarding the former Wal-Mart building and potential cooperative uses. Peplitsch noted that a feasibility study is currently being completed and several entities within the county are being included. Following discussion, it was suggested that the School Buildings and Grounds Committee meet with representatives of the Council for further discussions.

**SOCCER FIELDS:** Peplitsch gave an update of the soccer field development north of the Optimist Recreation Complex. The City Park Improvement Committee will meet with the School Building and Grounds Committee to discuss future needs for the area.

**SANDOZ PLAYGROUND:** Discussion was held regarding the opportunity to expand the playground area at Sandoz Elementary School into a joint City/School neighborhood park/playground area for the benefit of citizens in the northwest portion of the community. The City Park Improvement Committee and School Building and Grounds Committee will meet to discuss the project potential.

**FUTURE DIRECTION:** It was suggested that quarterly joint meetings be held to foster a cooperative efforts of the school board and the city council.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Fagot declared the meeting adjourned.

John Fagot  
Mayor

Pamela Berke  
Deputy City Clerk

Kent Gydesen  
School Board Secretary

I, the undersigned Deputy City Clerk for the City of Lexington, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the Agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours prior to said meeting; that the Minutes of the Mayor and Council of the City of Lexington, Nebraska, from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Deputy City Clerk