

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LEXINGTON, NEBRASKA
May 28, 2024**

A Regular Meeting of the Lexington City Council was held Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at Lexington, Nebraska at 5:30 p.m. Members of the Council present were John Salem, Steve Smith, and Jeremy Roberts. John Fagot and Dora Vivas were absent. City Officials present were City Manager Joe Peplitsch, Assistant City Manager Dennis Burnside, City Attorney Brian Copley, Finance Director Derek Haines, and City Clerk Pamela Baruth. The press was represented by Clipper-Herald.

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 Vice Chairman Salem. Salem informed the public that the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Meeting Room at the Lexington City Hall, 406 E. 7th Street, Lexington, Nebraska.

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING 5-14-24: Minutes of the Regular meeting held Tuesday, May 14, 2024, were presented. Moved by Smith, seconded by Roberts, to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Roberts, Smith, Salem. Motion carried.

CLAIMS & BILLS: Claims and Bills in the amount of \$1,807,298.80 were presented for Council’s consideration and approval. Upon review of the Claims and Bills as listed, moved by Roberts, seconded by Smith, to approve the Claims and Bills as listed, and authorize the City Treasurer to transfer \$242,202.54 from General Fund, \$54,724.77 from Street Fund, \$1,388,578.58 from LEXUS, \$43,857.44 from Sanitation, \$31,792.88 from Ambulance, \$43,239.31 from Health Fund, and \$2,902.28 from Meals on Wheels to the City of Lexington’s Operating Account. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Smith, Roberts, Salem. Motion carried.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
May 28, 2024**

Ask Supply Co LLC	ST / Supplies	196.78
B & H Services / Service Master	Cleaning Service	6,369.00
Baker & Taylor	LB / Books	714.93
Barkmeier, Amanda	Electric Rebate	1,300.00
Bennett, Curtis W / Sign Pro	PK / ST / Signs	305.00
Beverly Bogle Louthan PC	Professional Fees	1,200.00
Brandenberg, Michelle	Electric Rebate	600.00
Bound Tree Medical LLC	AMB / Medical Supplies	1,228.81
Bowen, Nicholas / Change Clothing	REC / Aussie Open Shirts	1,257.16
Brouillette, Troshynski, Kingston&Jackson PC	ST/Professional Services/E Viaduct ROW	2,107.50
Business Card / Bank of America		
Amazon.com	CEM/DAD/ND/PD/PK/ST/Parts/Supplies	1,107.29
American Meadows	PK / Seed Mix	656.01
Anderson Equipment	CEM / Parts	89.07
Canva	LB / Software	14.99

Casey's General Store	PD / Fuel	53.47
CDW-G	DS / Office Supplies	363.22
Everfile	ST / Training / Burnside, D / Peplitsch, J	39.00
Federal Flags	ST / Solar Top Light	293.90
Graham Tire	PD / Tires	524.97
International Code Council	DS / Study Guides	140.50
Kirk's Nebraskaland	CM / Leadership Lunch	323.24
Medicare	AMB / Application Fee	709.00
Microsoft	LB / Software	9.75
Payroll.org	CT / Membership Dues / Allen, M	299.00
Pump & Pantry	PD / Fuel	53.02
Scarlet Hotel - Lincoln	CM / Parking	20.00
Secretary of State	DS / Notary Renewal / Brecks, B	30.00
Sigma Surplus	WWTP / Parts	26.80
Test Gauge Inc	WR / Equipment Calibration	155.22
Time Value Software	CT / Software	35.00
United States Postal Service	WR / Postage	657.70
Cash-Wa Distributing	AC / MOW / Food & Supplies	3,573.08
Ceja, Martin	Electric Rebate	1,750.00
Cengage Learning	LB / Books	400.36
Center Point Inc	LB / Books	23.97
Central Septic Tank Pumping & Plumbing	SW / Locate / Sewage Line	275.00
Chesterman Company	AC / REC / Beverages	1,192.50
Consolidated Management Co	PD / Training Meals / Roberts, M	46.40
Copper, Al	Electric Rebate	81.20
Country Partners Cooperative	PK / REC / Herbicide / Propane	97.70
Dangler, Kerri	Electric Rebate	119.80
Davis Energy	FD / ST / Fuel	266.23
Davis, James F	PD / Training	340.00
Dutton-Lainson Company	ST / Banner Arms	3,816.00
E F Incorporated / Hobart Sales & Service	GGC / Dishwasher Repairs	1,691.35
Eakes Inc	Copier Exp/DocMgmt Support/Supplies	929.60
Easy Picker Golf Products Inc	REC / Parts / Driving Range	606.40
Eilers Machine & Welding Inc	SW / Material	279.74
Electrical Engineering & Equipment Company	AC / PK / Hardware	69.29
Fagot Refrigeration & Electric Inc	PD / Heater Repair	170.33
Fastenal	PK / Supplies	90.63
First Interstate Bank	LB / Petty Cash / Postage	218.00
Fremarek Inc	PK / Herbicide	242.79
Fyr-Tek	FD / Equipment Repair	520.00
Gomez Vazquez, Eduardo / Supreme Lawncare	DS / Abatement / Mowing / 306 W Walnut	250.00
Graphic Arts Shop	PD / Printing / Office Supplies	825.00
Health Claims	Claims	24,727.49
Holbein, Dahlas	AMB/FD/Truck Maintenance/Fuel/Clean	1,500.00
Homeier Ventures LLC	AC / PK / Supplies / Hardware	1,312.16
Ingram Library Services	LB / Books	78.00
Jimenez, Juan	WR / Boot Reimbursement	91.37
Kearney Printing LLC / LIPS	WR / Annual Water Report Mailers	2,988.33
Lexington Health Fund	Self-Funding	54,981.70
LEXUS	Utilities	41,398.28
Madison Energy Holdings LLC/IGS ORIX Solar	I Solar Power Purchase	45,572.93
Martinez, Natalie	Electric Rebate	1,750.00
Mead Lumber	Cement Blocks/Lumber/Supplies	353.84
Meritain Health	Health Premium	37,073.58
Municipal Supply	WR / Parts	584.68
NE Dept. of Environment & Energy / Exams	WWTP/Class I Certification Test/Prado	150.00
Nebraska Public Power District	O & M	167,358.23

Nebraska Machinery	Power Purchase	882,395.48
Nebraska Safety & Fire Equipment	ST / Parts / Equipment Repairs	1,859.69
Odeys Inc	FH / Fire Alarm Repair / Batteries	448.00
Original Watermen	REC / Tools	109.90
O'Reilly Auto Parts	AC / Uniforms / Equipment	2,681.62
Paulsen Inc	CEM / ST / Parts / Antifreeze	179.24
Perry, Roy	ST / Gravel / Limestone / Rebar	2,412.99
Pinkelman, William A	Electric Rebate (35)	77,375.00
Platte Valley Auto Mart	PD / Cabinet Installation	1,690.00
Plumbing & Heating Wholesale Inc	PD / Repairs / Oil & Lube	529.85
Plum Creek Medical Group	WR / Parts	775.00
Principal	ST / Inoculations	103.00
Rasmussen, Stan	Dental Premium	4,620.35
S & W Auto Parts	Electric Rebate	1,875.00
Sirchie Acquisition Company LLC	PK / Supplies	39.00
Standard Insurance Company	PD / Supplies	68.27
State of NE / Public Health Environmental Lab	Life Insurance Premiums	1,046.59
Statewide Collections LLC	WR / Testing	568.00
Stryker Sales Corporation	EL / Collections Expense	103.24
TASC	AMB / Power Load Cot	29,337.45
Titan Machinery - Lexington	Administration Fees	175.62
TL Sund Constructors Inc	ST / Mower Parts	165.35
ULINE Inc	EL/Footings/Pour Concrete/Tesla Chargers	1,384.89
U Save Pharmacy / Business Equipment	REC / ST / Bollard Sleeves / Supplies	732.79
Verizon Wireless	AMB/CT/EL/FD/GGC/LB/ST/WR/Supplies	908.63
Village Cleaners Inc	Cellular Service	444.10
VSP / Vision Service Plan	GGC / Janitorial Supplies	155.58
W W Grainger Inc	Vision Premium	1,131.66
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	WWTP / Supplies	1,049.81
YMCA of the Prairie	LB / PD / ST / WR / Supplies	850.16
Bennett, Constance J / Bennett Advertising	Fitness Memberships	1,620.00
Chesterman Company	Business Cards/Letterhead/Envelopes	1,671.08
City of Lexington	REC / Beverages	583.00
Copper, Al	Utility Franchise Fees	85,036.52
Dan's Sanitation	FD / Travel Expenses / Fire School	158.90
Davis Energy	Sanitation Fees	43,857.44
Doran Post & Associates Inc	FD / ST / Fuel / Fuel Purchase	4,773.55
Eakes Inc	CT / Surety Bond Renewal / Allen, M	40.00
Health Claims	PD / Copier Expense	992.59
Hiland Dairy	Claims	18,336.20
Homeier Ventures LLC	MOW / Dairy Products	162.67
Lexington City Payroll Account:	PK / Hardware	18.98
Payroll	Wages	179,528.07
Social Security	Employer Portion / FICA Med	13,356.07
Union Bank & Trust	Employer Portion / Pension	6,035.03
Union Bank & Trust	Police Pension	3,090.68
ICMA	City Manager Pension	1,104.49
Patton, Janell	AMB/FD/Travel Expenses/Conf/Fire School	239.22
Shotkoski Fireworks LLC	EL/Fireworks/Labor/150th Celebration/80%	12,000.00
US Foods	MOW / Food & Supplies	692.75
Werner's Sprinklers Inc	FD / Service Call / Parts	109.01
	TOTAL CLAIMS:	1,807,298.80

FINANCIAL REPORT: Moved by Smith, seconded by Roberts, to accept the financial report for April 2024 as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Roberts, Smith, Salem. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE: Ordinance No. 2467 entitled “**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 2-280, 30-22, AND 30-26 RELATED TO THE LEXINGTON TREE BOARD AND TREES; TO REPEAL ORIGINAL SECTIONS 2-280, 30-22, AND 30-26, AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR SECTIONS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR PUBLICATION IN ELECTRONIC FORM**” was presented on first reading. Burnside reviewed the proposed amendments. Following discussion, moved by Smith, seconded by Roberts, to approve Ordinance No. 2467 on first reading. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Roberts, Smith, Salem. Motion carried.

PAY REQUEST: Peplitsch reviewed Pay Request #2-Final from Bert Gurney & Associates, Inc. for the 2020 Wastewater Equipment Procurement-Bid D project in the amount of \$6,493.40. Moved by Roberts, seconded by Smith, to approve Pay Request #2-Final from Bert Gurney & Associates as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Smith, Roberts, Salem. Motion carried.

PAY REQUEST: Peplitsch reviewed Pay Request #2 from Bert Gurney & Associates, Inc. for the 2020 Wastewater Equipment Procurement-Bid A project in the amount of \$19,412.50. Moved by Smith, seconded by Roberts, to approve Pay Request #2-Final from Bert Gurney & Associates, Inc. as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Roberts, Smith, Fagot. Motion carried.

LIQUOR LICENSE: Salem opened a public hearing to consider a liquor license application by Dawson County Agriculture Society Inc. dba Dawson County Fairgrounds. Barb Rohde, fair board representative, stated a yearly license is in lieu of the limited number of special designated licenses fairgrounds can obtain for events. She also stated the covered area will be modified at the suggestion of the State Patrol. There were no public comments, and the public hearing was closed. Moved by Roberts, seconded by Smith, to recommend approval to the Liquor Control Commission of the license application by Dawson County Agriculture Society Inc. as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Smith, Roberts, Salem. Motion carried.

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

John Salem, Vice-Chairman

Pamela Baruth, City Clerk

I, the undersigned 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.

/s/ Pamela Baruth
City Clerk