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Colleen Paden, Mayor, called a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Stanton, Nebraska to order on August 2, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room. The Mayor announced to the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall by the door. Council Members answering roll call: Mike Ruppert, Clint Warnke, Jay Spence, Brandon Remm.

Also present were: Dennis Patterson, Marci Suchan, Alberta Lehman, Marlene Reichmuth, Dave Kment, Ron Klinetobe, Tim Pritchett, LaLene Bates, John Prusa, Rod Zessin, Jen Zessin, Cory Locke, and Nancy Morfeld (who recorded the minutes).

A motion was duly made by Council Member Spence to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Warnke seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Warnke, Ruppert, Spence, Remm. Motion carried.

The following items were approved: (1) Adopt agenda; (2) Notice of meeting was published in the Stanton Register on July 27, 2011 and the agenda was delivered to the Mayor and Council on July 29, 2011; (3) Accept the minutes from various city boards as received; (4) Approval of the Statement of Fund Balances General Accounts and Utilities; (5) Approval of claims for July 6, 2011 through August 2, 2011; (6) Approve write off of unpaid 2010 ambulance billing totaling \$8357.33 – Judy Houdek, \$471.07; Ivana Salmons, \$147.45; Brad Wagner, \$527.45; Toni Conn, \$547.45; Tony Kubes, \$404.22; Cory Otto, \$471.07; Taylor Blaser, \$471.07; Micah Crapo, \$471.07; Janice Laible, \$471.07; Hunter Dickau, \$547.45; Kelsey Allen, \$471.07; Danielle Gallup, \$471.07; Medicaid write offs, \$2000.04; Medicare write offs, \$123.97; 2009 Medicare, \$614.18; 2009 Medicaid, \$147.63.

**Park** Rod Zessin, Lower Elkhorn NRD representative, presented the City with a check in the amount of \$1353.05 for an Urban Recreation Grant received by the City for tree removal and planting of new trees in the west park. The Mayor thanked employee Tim Pritchett for working on this grant for the City.

**NH** Dave Kment updated the City Council on items discussed by the Nursing Home Board.

**Library** The Mayor updated the council on library updates, Friends of Library are having a pancake fund raiser and the library will be getting estimates on getting the eaves painted on the building, as this didn't get done in the repair project last summer.

**Water** The wellhead protection plan was approved by NE Department of Environmental Quality. A meeting will be set up to discuss this program further with residents within the area.

**Personnel** Council Member Spence introduced Ordinance 818 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STANTON, NEBRASKA, TO AMEND TITLE 170, CHAPTER 33, SECTION 45 OF THE NEBRASKA BASIC CODE, LOCAL LEGISLATION OF STANTON, NEBRASKA, PERTAINING TO MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS; SETTING WAGES FOR EMPLOYEES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; TO PROVIDE WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND TAKE EFFECT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM. Council Member Warnke seconded the motion to introduce Ordinance 818 and upon roll call vote on the motion, the following Council Members voted YEA: Ruppert, Warnke, Spence, Remm. Motion carried. Council Member Spence moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended, Ordinance 818 be moved for final passage, and to authorize publication in pamphlet form. Council Member Remm seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote on the motion, the following Council Members voted YEA: Ruppert, Warnke, Spence, Remm. Motion carried. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three fourths of the City Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of the ordinance. The passage and adoption of said ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the council, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted, and the Mayor signed and approved the ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto.

**Personnel** A motion was duly made by Council Member Warnke to increase the health insurance payment to Stanton County by \$100 (to \$400 per month) as reimbursement for insurance the County pays for Cory Locke (City Attorney). Council Member Ruppert seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Warnke, Remm, Spence, Ruppert. Motion carried.

**Admin** Council Member Spence introduced Ordinance 817 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STANTON, NEBRASKA, TO ADD TITLE 170, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 16 OF THE NEBRASKA BASIC CODE, LOCAL LEGISLATION OF STANTON, NEBRASKA, PERTAINING TO DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS; CREATING A COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES BOARD; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; TO PROVIDE WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND TAKE EFFECT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM. Council Member Warnke seconded the motion to introduce Ordinance 817 and upon roll call vote on the motion, the following Council Members voted YEA: Ruppert, Warnke, Spence, Remm. Motion carried. Council Member Spence moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended, Ordinance 817 be moved for final passage, and to authorize publication in pamphlet form. Council Member Remm seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote on the motion, the following Council Members voted YEA: Ruppert, Warnke, Spence, Remm. Motion carried. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three fourths of the City Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of the ordinance. The passage and adoption of said ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the council, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted, and the Mayor signed and approved the ordinance

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A motion was duly made by Council Member Spence to appoint Dave Kment (1 year), Dorothy Fuller (2 year) and Nan Hetzler (3 year) to the Community Activity Board. Council Member Ruppert seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Ruppert, Warnke, Remm, Spence. Motion carried. This Board will handle the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.

**Street** A motion was duly made by Council Member Remm to purchase a mosquito sprayer, Model TPS-M18-55 from Big John Manufacturing in the amount of \$4800.00. Council Member Spence seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Spence, Ruppert, Warnke, Remm. Motion carried.

**Code Issues** A motion was duly made by Council Member Spence to accept the bid from Butch Vollbrecht in the amount of \$310 for the sale of an impound vehicle (2002 Grand Am). Council Member Remm seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Ruppert, Warnke, Remm, Spence. Motion carried.

**Pool** No action was taken on a lift for the swimming pool.

**Admin** Discussion was held on the budget with hearing to be set at September meeting.

**Street** A motion was duly made by Council Member Spence to pay Mike Ruppert \$162.50 for mowing the vacant property at 404 Ivy in 2010. Council Member Warnke seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Warnke, Remm, Spence. ABSTAIN: Ruppert. Motion carried. Mike advised to send the check to Stanton Fire Trust as a donation.

A motion was duly made by Council Member Spence to not allow closure of Ivy Street on August 18<sup>th</sup> for Braun to move equipment from the building. Council Member Warnke seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Spence, Ruppert, Warnke, Remm. Motion carried.

The following items were discussed with no action being taken: Mike Johanns will be in Stanton on August 10<sup>th</sup>, possibly not oiling of streets the next couple of years and doing black top work while construction is being done on the highways going through town, options of mowers for the golf course, tall weeds by the bridges need trimmed, city is not requiring homeowners along the creek to clean it out and city will be looking into funding options available for maintaining this area, and no increase for part time employees for 2011-2012 fiscal year.

A motion was duly made by Council Member Warnke to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Council Member Spence seconded the motion. Roll call: YEA: Warnke, Ruppert, Spence, Remm. Motion carried.

I, the undersigned Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the City Council at the August 2, 2011 meeting; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the Agenda for the meeting, held continually current and available for inspection at the Office of the City Clerk, that such subjects were contained in the agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting, that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by the members of the public; that said minutes 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 notification concerning meetings of said Body were provided notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Nancy A. Morfeld, City Clerk

Colleen M. Paden, Mayor