

CITY OF FREMONT UTILITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE BOARD
August 25, 2020 - 4:00 P.M.

A meeting of the Utility and Infrastructure Board was held on August 25, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in the 2nd floor meeting room at 400 East Military, Fremont, Nebraska and via Zoom. The meeting was preceded by publicized notice in the Fremont Tribune and the agenda displayed in the Municipal Building. The meeting was open to the public. A continually current copy of the agenda was available for public inspection at the office of the City Administrator, 400 East Military. The agenda was distributed to the Utility and Infrastructure Board on August 21, 2020 and posted, along with the supporting documents, on the City's website. A copy of the open meeting law is posted continually for public inspection.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Board Members Sawtelle, Shelso, Wiese and Larsen present, Bolton absent. 4 present, 1 absent. Others in attendance included Brian Newton, City Administrator; Troy Schaben, Asst City Admin – Utility; Lottie Mitchell, Exec. Assist; Jeff Shanahan, Power Plant Supt.; Keith Kontor; Water/Sewer/WWTP Supt.; Dave Goedeken, Dir. of Public Works; Al Kaspar, Dir. of Elec. Engin.; Jan Rise; Dir of Admin Srvcs.; Nick Brand, Dir. of IT; and Dan Goebel, Accntnt.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Member Shelso and seconded by Member Wiese to approve items 3 and 4 (Minutes from August 11, 2020 and Accounts Payable through August 25, 2020. Ayes: Sawtelle, Shelso, Wiese, and Larsen. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDER AGREEMENT WITH THE LEAGUE ASSOCIATION OF RISK MANAGEMENT (LARM) FOR THE CITY'S PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR ITS 2020-2021 RENEWAL.

Rise and Consultant James Charlesworth gave overview. Moved by Member Wiese and seconded by Member Shelso to recommend City Council approve the agreement with the League Association of Risk Management (LARM) for the City's Property and Liability Insurance Coverage for its 2020-2021 Renewal. Ayes: Sawtelle, Shelso, Wiese, and Larsen. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDER ORDINANCE FOR HIGHWAY-RAIL GRADE CROSSING CLOSURE AGREEMENT WITH BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTE FE (BNSF) RAILWAY COMPANY TO CLOSE "AT GRADE CROSSING" OF HILLS FARM ROAD AT THE BNSF TRACKS.

Goedeken gave overview. Moved by Member Larsen and seconded by Member Shelso to recommend City Council approve the ordinance for highway-rail grade crossing closure agreement with Burlington Northern Sante Fe (BNSF) Railway Company to close "at grade crossing" of Hills Farm Road at the BNSF tracks. Ayes: Sawtelle, Shelso, Wiese, and Larsen. Motion carried 4-0.

RECEIVE THE AUGUST 11, 2020 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE REPORT AND CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS.

Goedeken gave overview. Moved by Member Shelso and seconded by Member Larsen to receive the August 11, 2020 Traffic Committee Report and recommend City Council approve the recommendations. Ayes: Sawtelle, Shelso, Wiese, and Larsen. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDER ORDINANCE FOR THE VACATION OF STUDLY ROAD FROM PLATTE AVENUE TO YAGER ROAD.

Goedeken gave overview. Moved by Member Wiese and seconded by Member Shelso to recommend City Council approve the ordinance for the vacation of Studly Road from Platte Avenue to Yager Road. Ayes: Sawtelle, Shelso, Wiese, and Larsen. Motion carried 4-0.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE (NO BOARD ACTION IS REQUESTED).

- a. Newton gave update on COVID-19 and delivery of services.
- b. Nick Brand gave update and overview of the Information Technology Department.
- c. New gave overview of the Appendix to Bond Issue.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Member Wiese and seconded by Member Larsen to adjourn at 4:57 p.m. Ayes: Sawtelle, Shelso, Wiese, and Larsen. Motion carried 4-0.

Allen Sawtelle, Chairman

Janet Larsen

David Shelso

Michelle Wiese

Gary Bolton

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