

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAWNEE CITY, HELD ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2021, AT 4:30 P.M. AT THE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM, 735 8TH STREET, ALL IN PAWNEE CITY, PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.**

Notice of this special meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in four prominent places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Affidavit of Posting on file in the office of the City Clerk. Notice of this special meeting was given to the Mayor and City Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of the notice and the Agenda are on file in the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

**Present:** Mayor Charlie Hatfield; Council Members Donnie Fisher, Susan Eisenhauer, Bruce Haughton & Ric Helms; Tamela S. Curtis/City Clerk. **Absent:** None.

Mayor Hatfield called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. informing all those present of the poster stating the Open Meeting Laws posted on the West meeting room wall accessible to the public. Mayor Hatfield stated he called this Special Meeting to review, discuss and act on the Request for Reconveyance to release note or notes secured by a Trust Deed on the Little Brown Jug and to review the purchaser/seller closing statements on the Little Brown Jug. Clerk Curtis read over the Seller's Closing Statement between Seller, Jaime L. Graham/Steven L. Messing and Purchaser, Little Brown Jug, LLC. It was stated that the total \$2,722.21 in closing costs covered the fees to the Pawnee County Clerk for Documentary Stamp Tax, \$117.00 and filing the Deed of Reconveyance, \$10.00; Seller's share of Title Insurance Premium to Otoe Co. Title, \$169.25 and Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes to the Pawnee Co Treasurer in the amount of \$2425.96. Clerk Curtis stated that the Purchase Price was \$51,422.76 less the closing costs of \$2,722.21 for a net due amount to the City of Pawnee City in the amount \$48,700.55. It was stated that they planned to close on Little Brown Jug purchase this Friday and the check would be kept in Stehlik Law Escrow so if SENDD or DED comes back to the City and says there was a problem and the Federal Government wants that money turned back into them, it won't be sitting in the City's ReUse Account as the City could not take that money back out of the ReUse account to pay the Federal Government. It would have to come out of the City's General Account, so keeping it in the Escrow account eliminates that from happening. Council Member Helms stated that this \$48,700 is all that is owed on the loan, correct? Mayor Hatfield stated that was correct because the original LBJ ReUse loan was reduced because of lowering the FTE jobs the loan amount was lowered to \$89,775 to be in compliance with CDBG Guidelines and the City's ReUse Loan Plan and the \$51,000 is what was left on the LBJ ReUse Loan. Council Member Helms stated because the Federal Gov't forgave all of the rest. More discussion followed that DED and SENDD had agreed to the lowering of the original reuse loan amount down to the \$89,775 and they also directed the City to hold today's special meeting to approve the Mayor signing the Request for Reconveyance on the note secured by a Trust Deed for the Little Brown Jug ReUse Loan with the City. Ray Kappel, reporter for The Pawnee Republican, inquired when the City will know if the Federal Government will want that money back or not. Clerk Curtis stated that she would say that what she has gathered in talking with Tom Stephens from DED is that once they are done with the monitoring process on the Little Brown Jug ReUse Loan Project, then the City will receive a letter on if there were any "findings" during the Monitoring process and then close out the project. Discussion was had on what kind of a

timeframe the City is looking at before receiving this close-out letter on the monitoring process of the LBJ ReUse Loan Project, which is quite uncertain at this time. At this time Council Member Eisenhower moved to approve the Mayor signing the Request for Reconveyance to release note or notes secured by a Trust Deed on the Little Brown Jug. Council Member Helms seconded the motion with the understanding that this is not going to cost the local taxpayers anything. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried. Council Member Haughton moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Helms seconded the motion. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 4:39 p.m..

ATTEST: Tamela S. Curtis, City Clerk

Charlie Hatfield, Mayor