

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SARGENT, NEBRASKA
Regular Session
Sargent Community Center
July 13, 2009**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Sargent, Nebraska, met in Regular Session at the Sargent Community Center on the 13th day of July, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the City Office, U. S. Post Office and First National Bank on Tuesday, June 30, 2009, and agendas were hand delivered Friday, July 10, 2009. The following were present: Mayor, Bernard Griebel; Council Members: Jan Oeltjen, Tim Leibert, Bob Nitchie and Mick Kozeal; City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, Mike Criss; City Clerk/Treasurer, Kathy Drake; Chief of Police, J.D. Keefe and, City Attorney, Glenn Clark.

Mayor Griebel welcomed guests and publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted on the east wall of the meeting room in the Sargent Community Center. Mayor Griebel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Member Oeltjen moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Mayor Griebel opened the meeting to Citizen Comments. Richard Hardesty posed the question of the \$80,000 transfer for the Community Center and was informed that would be answered later and placed on the next agenda. Naomi White was present to express her support for the City, Motorsports Raceway, Fire Department and the EMT's. Glenn Grint gave an update on the race track. Jan Osborn was present to read from news clippings as to when the Community Center was being built.

Old business was moved to the end of the meeting.

The Mayor announced that at 7:15 p.m. the public hearing concerning the liquor license application for Jake and Stephanie Klein, dba Cedar Bar & Grill was now in order. There being no questions or comments made, the Mayor announced that the public hearing for the liquor license application for Jake and Stephanie Klein, dba Cedar Bar & Grill was closed at 7:16. Council Member Nitchie moved that the liquor license application for Jake and Stephanie Klein, dba Cedar Bar & Grill be approved. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor then announced at 7:17 that the public hearing concerning the Economic Development Reuse Loan application for Jake and Stephanie Klein, dba Cedar Bar & Grill was now in order. The Klein's answered several questions posed to them from the Council. The Mayor announced at 7:23 that the public hearing for the Economic Development Reuse Loan application for Jake and Stephanie Klein, dba Cedar Bar & Grill is now closed. Council Member Nitchie moved that the Economic Development Reuse Loan application for Jake and Stephanie Klein, dba Cedar Bar & Grill be approved. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Don Nelson, CPA, representing Alvin P. Alms & Company, was present to discuss his company's findings with the audit and to answer any questions presented to him from the Council and audience. He stated that the city was "under budget" by \$586,502 which was within state statute. He stated that for the past two fiscal years, the financial transactions that have occurred were in balance and that it was a "good" audit year.

Insurance quotes were presented for the City's General Liability policies from Tom Powell, Mid-Alliance Insurance Associates; Brady Yosten, Cedar Valley Insurance Agency; and, Marianne Champoux, Sargent Insurance Agency. They explained their policies and answered questions posed to them from the Council. A decision will be made at the next Council meeting.

Building permits submitted by Steve Smith and Orville Mankle was discussed. Council Member Kozeal moved to approve the building permit submitted by Steve Smith for a deck at 200 North 4th Street be approved. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Council Member Kozeal moved that the building permit submitted by Orville Mankle for a deck at 201 South 5th Street be approved. Council Member Nitchie seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The building permit submitted by Mark Koch and the renewal of five other permits was discussed. Council Members Bob Nitchie and Tim Leibert, Chief of Police, J.D. Keefe and City Administrator, Mike Criss and Mark Koch agreed to meet at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 16, 2009, to discuss the objections to these permits and the work that would be required to be completed prior to the renewal and approval of further permits.

Steve Conner, dba Conner Construction, was present to discuss the sale and purchase of equipment that the City has as a lien for his Economic Development Loan. Council Member Nitchie moved to allow Steve Conner to use the funds from the sale of his dozer, as he felt necessary after payment was received on his loan with the City of Sargent. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Council Member Leibert moved to accept the agreement between the Burwell Veterinary Hospital and the City of Sargent. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The Supervisor Reports were given.

The Mayor announced that he needed a motion for the Council to adjourn into closed session for the protection of the public interest to discuss pending litigation.

Council Member Kozeal moved that the City of Sargent adjourn into closed session at the hour of 9:30 p.m. for the protection of the public interest to discuss pending litigation. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried. The Mayor announced that the Council was going into closed session for the protection of the public interest to discuss pending litigation.

Council Member Oeltjen moved that the City of Sargent reconvene into regular session at the hour of 9:45 p.m. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Council Member Leibert moved that the City of Sargent authorize City Administrator, Mike Criss, sign the complaint to reclaim the old Sargent website known as sargentne.com. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Council Member Kozeal moved to adjourn. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

City Clerk, Kathy Drake

Mayor, Bernard Griebel

Claims Approved July 13, 2009

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Paid Amount</u>
Community Center	Appera	Dept Expense	-94.07
	Glenna Fisher	Deposit Refunds	-40.00
	NCTC	Telephone	-45.91
	Sargent Municipal Utilities	Ele, Sewer or Water	-228.86
First National Bank – Municipal	Arnold Pool Company	Dept Expense	-116.26
	BlueCross Blue Shield Of NE	Payroll Expenses	-553.80
	Corner Market	Office	-57.73
	Credit Bureau Services	Dues & Subscriptions	-5.00
	Darlene Leitschuck	Training	-90.00
	Don's Auto Parts, Inc.	Maintenance/Repairs	-737.87
	Fairbanks-Kearney	Capital Expenditures	-750.00
	First National Bank of Ord	Dues & Subscriptions	-15.00
	GoFer Foods	Fuel	-502.50
	Great Plains One-Call Service	Other Expense	-3.03
	Grint Farm Supply	Maintenance/Repairs	-196.37
	Kathy Drake	Lodging, Meals & Mileage	-84.20
	Kiefer Sports Group	Dept Expense	-545.00
	Lisa Grint	Internet Setup and Service	-75.00
	NCTC	Utilities: Telephone	-330.79
	NMPP	Dept Expense	-343.36
	Office Net	Office Expense	65.58
	Paulsen, Inc.	Repairs	-2,234.82
	Payroll	Payroll Expenses	-11,544.50
	Peterson Lumber Company	Equipment Repair	-250.00
	Petty Cash	Postage	-21.23
	Red Line Equipment, Inc.	Equipment Repair	-62.22
	Sargent Municipal Utilities	Utilities: Electric	-712.67
	Sargent Variety	Dept Expense	-26.81
	SourceGas	Natural Gas	-1,704.36
	Topkote, Inc.	Street Repair	-22,360.00
	Trotter Grain and Fertilizer	Dept Expense	-1,989.17
	Trotter Inc.	Equipment	-116.50
First National Bank - Utilities	Alltel	Telephone	-54.70
	American Test Center	Equipment Maintenance	-820.00
	Appera	Dept Expense	-280.97

	Department of Energy	WAPA	-4,795.20
	Don's Auto Parts, Inc.	Maintenance/Repairs	-21.45
	GoFer Foods	Fuel	-78.12
	Grint Farm Supply	Equipment	-152.96
	Harland	Bank Charges	-141.65
	HD Supply Waterworks	Dept Expense	-213.07
	Hometown Leasing	Equipment Lease	-52.69
	J & J Sanitation	Solid Waste Fees Paid	-5,687.18
	Kathy Drake	Lodging, Meals & Mileage	-51.15
	Kriz-Davis Electrical Supply	Dept Expense	-166.42
	MEAN	Electricity Purchases	-23,709.51
	Naomi White	Deposit Refunds	-200.00
	NE Public Health Env Lab	Lab Fees	-16.00
	Payroll	Payroll Expenses	-14,695.66
	Sargent Drilling Co.	Other Expense	-100.00
	Sargent Municipal Utilities	Utilities: Electric	-899.23
	SourceGas	Natural Gas	-24.30
	Village of Sutherland	Equipment	-4,500.00
Housing Rehab 91-HO-015	Community Dev Services, LLC	Professional Services	-500.00

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SARGENT, NEBRASKA
Special Session
Sargent Community Center
July 23, 2009**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Sargent, Nebraska, met in Special Session at the Sargent Community Center on the 23rd day of July, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the City Office, U. S. Post Office, and First National Bank on Wednesday, July 22, 2009. The following were present: Mayor Bernard Griebel; Council Members: Jan Oeltjen, Tim Leibert, and Bob Nitchie. Council Member Mick Kozeal was absent. Also present were City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, Mike Criss and City Clerk/Treasurer, Kathy Drake.

Mayor Griebel publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted on the east wall of the meeting room in the Sargent Community Center. Mayor Griebel called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Council Member Oeltjen moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, and Nitchie. Voting nay: none. Absent: Kozeal. Motion carried.

City Clerk/Treasurer, Kathy Drake read her letter of resignation to the Council Members. Council Member Nitchie moved that the City of Sargent accept the resignation of City Clerk/Treasurer, Kathy Drake. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert and Nitchie. Voting nay: none. Absent: Kozeal. Motion carried.

A workshop for the budget followed.

Council Member Leibert moved to adjourn. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, and Nitchie. Voting nay: none. Absent: Kozeal. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

City Clerk, Kathy Drake

Mayor, Bernard Griebel

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SARGENT, NEBRASKA
Special Session
Sargent Community Center
July 28, 2009**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Sargent, Nebraska, met in Special Session at the Sargent Community Center on the 28th day of July, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the City Office, U. S. Post Office, and First National Bank on Friday, July 24, 2009. The following were present: Mayor Bernard Griebel; Council Members: Jan Oeltjen, Tim Leibert, Bob Nitchie and Mick Kozeal. Also present were City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, Mike Criss and City Clerk/Treasurer, Kathy Drake.

Mayor Griebel publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted on the east wall of the meeting room in the Sargent Community Center. Mayor Griebel called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Council Member Leibert moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Insurance proposals for the City's General Liability Policy were reviewed. Proposals were submitted by Mid-Alliance Insurance Associates, LLC in the amount of \$30,777; Sargent Insurance Agency in the amount of \$31,528; and Cedar Valley Insurance Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$33,465. Council Member Kozeal moved that the City of Sargent accept the insurance proposal submitted by Sargent Insurance Agency through EMC in the amount of \$31,528.00. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

A budget workshop followed.

Council Member Kozeal moved to adjourn. Council Member Oeltjen seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00.

City Clerk, Kathy Drake

Mayor, Bernard Griebel