

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
September 17, 2024**

The Wayne City Council met in regular session at City Hall on September 17, 2024, at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

Mayor Cale Giese called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, with the following in attendance: Councilmembers Austyn Houser, Terri Buck, Brittany Webber, Clayton Bratcher, Jason Karsky, Matt Eischeid and Jill Brodersen; City Administrator Wes Blecke; City Clerk Betty McGuire; and City Attorney Amy Miller. Absent: Councilmember Nick Muir.

Notice of the convening meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Wayne Herald, Wayne, Nebraska, the designated method of giving notice, as shown by Affidavit of Publication. In addition, notice was given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council, and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and agenda is on file with 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 Council convened in open session.

Mayor Giese advised the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was located on the southwest wall of Council Chambers, as well as on the City of Wayne website and was available for public inspection. In addition, he advised the public that the Council may go into closed session to discuss certain agenda items to protect the public interest or to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of an individual and if such individual has not requested a public hearing.

Councilmember Brodersen made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Buck, to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 3, 2024, and to waive the reading thereof. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the Minutes approved.

The following claims were presented to Council for their approval:

**VARIOUS FUNDS:** ACE HARDWARE, SU, 3537.81; ALERT 360, SE, 84.24; AMERITAS, SE, 184.72; AMERITAS, SE, 35.00; AMERITAS, SE, 130.85; AMERITAS, SE, 72.00; AMERITAS, SE, 3657.86; APPEARA, SE, 111.38; ARC-HEALTH & SAFETY, SE, 38.00; BSN SPORTS, SU, 19.99; CDW

GOVERNMENT, SU, 986.10; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 132.36; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 37.83; CITY OF WAYNE, PY, 123567.82; CITY OF WAYNE, RE, 1354.08; COPY WRITE PUBLISHING, SE, 425.13; CORNHUSKER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS, SU, 140.33; CXT PRECAST CONCRETE PRODUCTS, SE, 50000.00; DAHLEN, RACHEL, SE, 15.00; DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT, SU, 4250.00; DEARBORN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, SE, 3432.02; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY, SU, 360.66; EAKES OFFICE PLUS, SE, 469.82; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT, SU, 629.89; ELKINS PORTABLE RESTROOMS, SE, 525.00; FAITH REGIONAL PHYSICIAN SERV, SE, 90.00; GLOBAL PAYMENTS INTEGRATED, SE, 1534.89; GROSSENBURG IMPLEMENT, SU, 744.34; ICMA, SE, 202.78; ICMA, SE, 1429.22; ICMA, SE, 72.03; ICMA, SE, 39.80; ICMA, SE, 130.76; ICMA, SE, 10625.44; ICMA, SE, 152.88; ICMA, SE, 533.56; ICMA, SE, 72.03; ICMA, SE, 75.00; ICMA, SE, 138.72; ICMA, SE, 803.82; IRS, TX, 4794.06; IRS, TX, 20498.74; IRS, TX, 13489.13; KTCH, SE, 588.00; LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES, FE, 535.00; LUTT OIL, SU, 6846.20; MERCHANT SERVICES, SE, 1514.05; MERCHANT SERVICES, SE, 99.15; MERCHANT SERVICES, SE, 6664.35; MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES, SE, 469.00; MIDWEST LABORATORIES, SE, 235.57; MIDWEST TURF & IRRIGATION, SU, -42857.00; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, TX, 6268.21; NE DEPT OF REVENUE-COMPLIANCE DIV, RE, 347.09; NE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, FE, 535.00; NPPD, SE, 8250.24; NORFOLK DAILY NEWS, SE, 45.00; ODEYS, SU, 9437.95; OPTK NETWORKS, SE, 408.54; O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE STORES, SU, 49.68; PAC N SAVE, SU, 6.36; PAC N SAVE, SU, 1061.17; PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL, SE, 111.95; PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL, SE, 113.73; POSTMASTER, SU, 1202.70; QUALITY 1 GRAPHIC, SU, 200.00; QUALITY FOOD CENTER, SU, 66.70; STADIUM SPORTING GOODS, SE, 182.00; STAPLES, SU, 19.08; STATE NEBRASKA BANK & TRUST, SE, 69.76; STATE NEBRASKA BANK-PETTY CASH, RE, 100.00; STATE NEBRASKA BANK-PETTY CASH, RE, 105.95; US BANK, SU, 15863.94; US FOODSERVICE, SU, 2416.71; VAN LIERE, SHELBY, SE, 45.00; VANDONKERSOED, KYLAH, SE, 45.00; WACHHOLTZ, MARIAH, RE, 250.00; WALLIN-SCHENSE, KAYE, RE, 15.00; WAYNE AUTO PARTS, SU, 1047.62; WAYNE COUNTY CLERK, SE, 16.00; WAYNE COUNTY CLERK, SE, 22.00; WAYNE HERALD, SE, 232.00; WAYNE HERALD, SE, 1221.85; WAYNE HERALD, SE, 190.00; WESCO, SU, 14503.85; WISNER WEST, SU, 307.33; ZACH HEATING & COOLING, SE, 1036.37; ALLO COMMUNICATIONS, SE, 29.42; ARC-HEALTH & SAFETY, FE, 250.00; ARNIE'S FORD, SE, 2105.81; BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS, SU, 878.81; BEBEE, TIMOTHY J & LESLIE A, RE, 3076.61; BENSCOTER INC, RE, 4738.32; BENSCOTER, LOUIS, RE, 6305.66; BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION, SE, 246987.19; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, SE, 454.81; BLACKSTONE LABORATORIES, SE, 70.00; CARLSON WEST POVONDRA ARCHITECTS, SE, 2188.40; CENTRAL SAND AND GRAVEL, SU, 2126.53; CITIZENS STATE BANK, RE, 6703.73; CITIZENS STATE BANK, RE, 12356.47; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 843.56; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 170.00; CITY OF WAYNE, RE, -231.98; CITY OF WAYNE, RE, 231.98; CITY OF WAYNE, RE, 1262.98; COTTONWOOD WIND PROJECT, SE, 9131.37; CREDIT BUREAU SERVICES, RE, 47.73; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY, SU, 3268.85; EAKES OFFICE PLUS, SE, 40.49; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT, SU, 439.92; FASTWYRE BROADBAND, SE, 392.97; FIRST CONCORD GROUP, FE, 4499.72; GERHOLD CONCRETE, SU, 1173.90; GIESE, BRECK, RE, 3359.78; GRAINLAND ESTATES LLC, RE, 7530.91; HILAND DAIRY, SU, 133.77; HILAND DAIRY, SU, 265.31; INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES, SU, 1098.69; JE MEURET GRAIN, RE, 3359.78; JEO CONSULTING GROUP, SE, 3280.84; JORGENSEN, KEN, RE, 2140.44; KELLY SUPPLY COMPANY, SU, 98.77; MAIN STREET GARAGE, SE, 145.00; MZRB LLC, RE, 3422.58; OLSSON, SE, 26617.85; PETERSON, CARTER, RE, 1398.46; PROGRESSIVE PROPERTIES, RE, 3972.32; PROGRESSIVE PROPERTIES, RE, 1404.31; PROGRESSIVE PROPERTIES, RE, 4533.10; REEG, BETTY S. Revocable Trust, RE, 2796.91; REHAB SYSTEMS, SE, 31458.50; REYES, STEPHANIE, RE, 150.00; STADIUM SPORTING GOODS, SU, 2264.00; STAPLES, SU, 383.60; THRASHER, RE, 500.00; THRASHER, RE, -500.00; TOMPKINS, RODNEY R. Irrevocable Trust, RE, 2796.91; VAKOC, SU, 17829.17; VAN DIEST SUPPLY, SU, 300.00; VAN LIERE, SHELBY, SE, 30.00; VANDONKERSOED, KYLAH, SE, 30.00; WAYNE HOSPITALITY, RE, 18964.84; WESCO, SU, 5296.50; WINDOM RIDGE, RE, 3768.03

Councilmember Brodersen made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Karsky, to approve the claims. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Christian Legler, representing the Wayne Rotary Club, was present to request Council to consider waiving the rental fee for the Freedom Park Shelter House on Friday, October 25, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for a Chamber Coffee and then for an additional date (yet to be determined) in October for another Rotary sponsored event. The Rotary Club is a non-profit organization.

Councilmember Eischeid made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Webber, to approve the request of Christian Legler, representing the Wayne Rotary Club, to waive the rental fee for the Freedom Park Shelter House on Friday, October 25, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for a Chamber Coffee and then also for an additional date (yet to be determined) in October for another Rotary sponsored event, with a refundable deposit. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Bob Soukup, representing Carlson West Povondra Architects, was present via zoom, to review Change Estimate Proposal No. 002 in the amount of \$56,495.00 to Otte Construction Company, LLC, for the “Wayne Parks & Rec Maintenance Building Project.” This Change Order is for existing soils over excavation, disposal of removals onsite, hauling of new imported suitable soils, and leveling and re-compaction of building site per the soils report.

Councilmember Eischeid made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Karsky, approving Change Estimate Proposal No. 002 in the amount of \$56,495.00 to Otte Construction Company, LLC, for the “Wayne Parks & Rec Maintenance Building Project.” Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Bob Soukup, representing Carlson West Povondra Architects, then presented Application and Certificate of Payment No. 1 from Otte Construction Company, LLC, in the amount of \$167,967.00 for the “Wayne Parks & Rec Maintenance Building Project.” In addition, he updated the Council on the project.

Councilmember Brodersen made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Buck, approving Application and Certificate of Payment No. 1 in the amount of \$167,967.00 to Otte Construction Company, LLC, for the “Wayne Parks & Rec Maintenance Building Project.” Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Matthew Smith, representing Olsson, presented Certificate of Payment No. 2 in the amount of \$154,575.00 to TR Harris for the “Prairie Park Lake Amenities Project.” In addition, he updated the Council on the project.

Councilmember Karsky made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Webber, approving Certificate of Payment No. 2 in the amount of \$154,575.00 to TR Harris for the “Prairie Park Lake Amenities Project.” Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The following two Resolutions were tabled at the last meeting until a few questions could be answered. But, the last time dispatch fees were increased for Carroll and Winside was in 2008 (\$1,520 per year) and before that was in 1998. Staff is recommending that the original Interlocal Agreement be amended to reflect an increase to \$3,000 for the 24/25 fiscal year, with an escalation of 4% thereafter for four more years.

Marlen Chinn, Police Chief, was present to answer questions.

Councilmember Eischeid introduced Resolution 2024-49, and moved for its approval; Councilmember Bratcher seconded.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-49

#### A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF CARROLL FOR DISPATCH/911 SERVICES.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Eischeid introduced Resolution 2024-50, and moved for its approval; Councilmember Bratcher seconded.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-50

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF WINSIDE FOR DISPATCH/911 SERVICES.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The following Resolution is a requirement by the Nebraska Department of Transportation when a state highway will be closed for a celebration/parade. This Resolution pertains to the Annual Christmas in Wayne Celebration/Annual Parade of Lights to be held on Thursday, November 21, 2024.

Luke Virgil, representing Wayne America, Inc., was present to answer questions.

Discussion took place on whether or not this event should go back to being held on the first Thursday after Thanksgiving instead of the Thursday before Thanksgiving. Mr. Virgil stated this is a kickoff for the entire “end of the year” push for Wayne’s retailers to get into the black. They encourage shopping throughout the season starting on November 21<sup>st</sup>. It is bigger than just a Christmas celebration. The street will be closed from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. from 6<sup>th</sup> and Main Street south to 1<sup>st</sup> and Main Street.

Councilmember Eischeid advised the Council he would vote nay on this matter for the reason that he is not the only one that has expressed displeasure in having the event the Thursday before Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Brodersen introduced Resolution No. 2024-52 and moved for its approval; Councilmember Houser seconded.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-52

A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATIONS’ REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TEMPORARY USE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM FOR SPECIAL EVENTS.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent and Councilmember Eischeid who voted Nay, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Luke Virgil, representing Wayne America, Inc., was present requesting Council consideration to prohibit parking on Main Street in the 200 and 300 blocks of Main Street from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the Christmas in Wayne Celebration/Annual Parade of Lights Event to be held on Thursday, November 21, 2024.

Councilmember Brodersen made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Houser, approving the request of Wayne America, Inc., to prohibit parking on Main Street in the 200 and 300 blocks of Main Street from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the Christmas in Wayne Celebration/Annual Parade of Lights Event to be held on Thursday, November 21, 2024. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent and Councilmember Eischeid who voted Nay, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Giese declared the time was at hand for the public hearing regarding the tax asking/property tax levy.

The total of the FY 2024-2025 budget is \$58,895,419. The property tax proposal for the General Fund operation is \$1,117,043.58, which compares to the 2023 tax asking of \$1,072,999.61. Pursuant to State Law, the maximum levy for a municipality is \$0.45 per \$100 of property valuation. When combined with the debt service asking, the combined amount for the proposed budget year is \$1,225,693.58 or \$.337972 per \$100 of property valuation, which is lower than last year - \$.358201. The valuation in the community, as reported by the County Assessor for 2024, is \$362,661,606 which is up 10.51% from last year. The 2024 operating budget is \$58,231,544; the 2023 operating budget was \$53,585,042. The combined levy from 2023 to 2024 has decreased from \$.417696 to \$.393959. The changes since the budget workshop for property taxes is a decrease to \$1,105,995 (-20,011) and adjustment to general fund reserves is \$616,875 (-20,011).

Beth Porter, Finance Director, was present to answer questions.

City Clerk McGuire had not received any comments for or against this public hearing.

There being no further comments, Mayor Giese closed the public hearing.

The following Resolution would approve the final property tax request of \$1,225,693.58. This Resolution does not include the airport levy.

Councilmember Brodersen introduced Resolution 2024-53, and moved for its approval; Councilmember Houser seconded.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-53

##### A RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST FOR FY 2024-2025.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The base year started in 1998. The restricted funds are the property taxes, payments in lieu of property taxes, local option sales taxes, motor vehicle taxes, state aid, transfers of surpluses from any user fee, and any funds excluded from restricted funds for the prior year because they were budgeted for capital improvements, but which were not spent and are not expected to be spent for capital improvements. Cities are given the opportunity to increase the base limitation of the restricted funds budget by 1%. The State Auditor is also recommending that entities pass this 1% increase. This increases our base number we can use for our restricted fund revenues.

Councilmember Webber introduced Resolution No. 2024-54 and moved for its approval, Councilmember Brodersen seconded.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-54

##### A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ALLOWABLE 1% INCREASE IN BASE LIMITATION OF RESTRICTED FUNDS' BUDGET 2024-2025.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Brodersen introduced Resolution 2024-55, and moved for its approval; Councilmember Bratcher seconded.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-55

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2024-2025 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WAYNE.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Eischeid introduced Ordinance 2024-11, and moved for its approval; Councilmember Webber seconded.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-11

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Eischeid made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Webber, to suspend the statutory rules requiring ordinances to be read by title on three different days. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Eischeid made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Webber, to move for final approval of Ordinance No. 2024-11. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Giese declared the time was at hand for the public hearing on the land acquisition from Virgil L. Kardell, Trustee of the Virgil L. Kardell Trust. The legal description is as follows:

The East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 7, Township 26 North, Range 4 East of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska, EXCEPTING HOWEVER that part conveyed to Leo H. Holt and Velma I. Holt, Husband and Wife, by Joint Tenancy Warranty Deed which was recorded May 4, 1971, in Deed Record Book 50 at Page 420 in the County Clerk's Office of Wayne County, Nebraska; AND FURTHER EXCEPTING Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Country Living Acres located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, Township 26 North, Range 4 East of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska, as set forth in that certain instrument recorded May 2, 1979, on Microfilm No. 790514, in the County Clerk's Office of Wayne County, Nebraska; AND FURTHER EXCEPTING that party conveyed to the City of Wayne, Nebraska, a Municipal Corporation, by Quitclaim Deed recorded August 16, 1985, on Microfilm No. 850762, in the County Clerk's Office of Wayne County, Nebraska; AND FURTHER EXCEPTING a tract of land located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, Township 26 North, Range 4 East of the 6th P.M., Wayne County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot 3, Block 3, Vintage Hill 1st Addition to the City of Wayne, Wayne County, Nebraska, point being on the North line of 14<sup>th</sup> Street; thence North along the East line of said Lot 3, 280.00 Feet; thence East and parallel to the North line of said 14<sup>th</sup> Street, 280.00 Feet; thence South and parallel to the East line of said Lot 3, 280.00 Feet to a point on the North line of said 14<sup>th</sup> Street; thence West on said North line, 280.00 Feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.80 acres, more or less, as previously conveyed to Region IV, Inc., in those certain Trustee's Deeds recorded January 4, 2002, on Microfilm No. 020014 and Microfilm No. 020015, in the records of said County

The purchase price for the 63 acres, more or less, is \$1,240,000. The property is located south of 21<sup>st</sup> Street and west of Centennial Road.

Administrator Blecke provided the background on the proposed purchase and the process for securing land for an electric substation. He said the city currently has 3.26 acres in the northeast portion of the city. However, as plans have been developed and more information obtained, it has been determined that this is not enough land for installing a larger electrical generation system. Administrator Blecke said that in order to put the proposed system in place, a retaining wall would need to be installed, and he has been told the cost estimate for that is \$1M. Mr. Kardell was then approached about selling a few more acres. He then offered to sell the whole parcel. The City would then have enough land to adequately construct the electric substation/generation system that would be large enough for future generation needs. If the City would purchase the entire parcel, there would be no need for a \$1M retaining wall. It was noted that this purchase would be paid for by the Electric Fund, and any money recouped (rental, sale, etc.) would be paid back into the Electric Fund.

Luke Virgil, Executive Director of Wayne Area Economic Development, spoke in favor of the purchase of said property.

Brian Seiffert and Amy Schweers spoke in opposition to the purchase of the entire parcel of real estate instead of what the City needed for just the substation and generation projects. In addition, they asked Council not to act on this matter this evening, but to table it.

City Clerk McGuire had not received any comments for or against this public hearing.

There being no further comments, Mayor Giese closed the public hearing

Councilmember Brodersen introduced Resolution 2024-56, and moved for its approval; Councilmember Eischeid seconded.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-56

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE LOCATED SOUTH OF 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET AND WEST OF CENTENNIAL ROAD IN WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FROM VIRGIL L. KARDELL, TRUSTEE OF THE VIRGIL L. KARDELL TRUST - \$1,240,000 (63.04 ACRES MORE OR LESS).

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Giese declared the time was at hand for the public hearing on the land acquisition from Cornerstone, LLC. The legal description is as follows:

Lots 3 and 4, Kardell East 14<sup>th</sup> Street Addition, Wayne, Wayne County, Nebraska.

The purchase price for this property is \$60,000 for one acre. The assessed value is \$68,875.

City Clerk McGuire had not received any comments for or against this public hearing.

There being no further comments, Mayor Giese closed the public hearing

Councilmember Brodersen introduced Resolution No. 2024-57 and moved for its approval; Councilmember Buck seconded.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-57

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF LOTS 3 AND 4, KARDELL EAST 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET ADDITION, WAYNE, WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FROM CORNERSTONE, LLC - \$60,000.

Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Giese stated Agenda Item Nos. 22 and 23 will be stricken from the Agenda. Chad Sebade withdrew his offer to purchase Lot 19, Southview II Addition to the City of Wayne, Wayne County, Nebraska (400 Chicago Street) for the sum of \$15,000.

Councilmember Brodersen made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Webber, to enter into executive/closed session for the purpose of preventing the needless injury to the reputation of an individual when such individual has not requested a public hearing, to discuss the nonpayment of an LB840 loan installment and to allow Mayor and Council, Administrator Blecke, City Clerk McGuire, Attorney Miller, and Luke Virgil, Executive Director of Wayne Area Economic Development, to be in attendance. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried, and executive/closed session began at 6:54 p.m.

Mayor Giese again stated the matter to be discussed in executive/closed session relates to discussing the non-payment of an LB840 loan installment.

Councilmember Bratcher made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Brodersen, to resume open session. Mayor Giese stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, with the exception of Councilmember Muir who was absent, the Mayor declared the motion carried, and open session resumed at 7:12 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mayor Giese declared the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.