

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
May 6, 2025**

The Wayne City Council met in regular session at City Hall (513 Main Street) on May 6, 2025, at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

Mayor Jill Brodersen called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, with the following in attendance: Councilmembers Austyn Houser, Parker Bolte, Dwaine Spieker, Brittany Webber, Clayton Bratcher, Jason Karsky, and Matt Eischeid; City Administrator Wes Blecke; City Clerk Betty McGuire; and City Attorney Amy Miller. One vacancy.

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 Brodersen advised the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was located on the table in 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 Bratcher made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Webber, to approve the minutes of the meetings of April 15, 2025, and April 29, 2025, and to waive the readings thereof. Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the Minutes approved.

The following claims were presented to Council for their approval:

**VARIOUS FUNDS:** ACES, SE, 1161.39; AMERITAS, SE, 72.00; AMERITAS, SE, 197.87; AMERITAS, SE, 35.00; AMERITAS, SE, 4072.16; AMERITAS, SE, 123.95; APPEARA, SE, 133.92; ARKFELD LOCK, SE, 741.75; BARCO MUN PRODUCTS, SU, 2686.45; BIO-ELECTRONICS, SE, 430.00; BOMGAARS,

SU, 1099.37; BSN SPORTS, SU, 494.98; BSN SPORTS, SU, 1099.99; CDW GOVERNMENT, SE, 4427.14; CENTRAL PUMP & MOTOR, SE, 3967.02; CIRBA SOLUTIONS SERVICES, SU, 125.50; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 568.74; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 115.87; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 639.72; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 1854.89; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 1815.23; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 48.25; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 702.87; CITY OF WAYNE, PY, 132527.09; CITY OF WAYNE, RE, 560.21; COLONIAL RESEARCH, SU, 413.70; COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, RE, 1000.00; COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, RE, 7000.00; COMMUNITY SAFETY NET, FE, 160.00; CREDIT BUREAU SERVICES, RE, 126.41; DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE, SE, 537.60; DEARBORN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, SE, 82.56; DGR & ASSOCIATES, SE, 35638.00; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY, SU, 5722.57; EAKES OFFICE PLUS, FE, 40.49; ECHO GROUP, SU, 116.80; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT, SU, 299.77; ELLIS HOME SERVICES, SE, 95.00; EMRY, ROBIN, RE, 150.00; FASTWYRE BROADBAND, SE, 922.24; FLAGSHIP PUBLISHING, SE, 2070.00; FLOOR MAINTENANCE, SU, 372.44; GRAPHIC CONTROLS ACQUISITION CORP, SU, 1192.52; GROSSENBURG IMPLEMENT, SU, 17162.73; HAWKINS, SU, 3081.88; HIGHLAND MATERIALS, SU, 1768.00; HILAND DAIRY, SE, 166.21; HILAND DAIRY, SE, 143.93; HOMETOWN CAFÉ, SU, 119.84; ICMA, SE, 148.60; ICMA, SE, 270.84; ICMA, SE, 158.98; ICMA, SE, 11421.45; ICMA, SE, 617.03; ICMA, SE, 572.26; ICMA, SE, 272.00; ICMA, SE, 170.50; ICMA, SE, 214.81; ICMA, SE, 1300.04; ICMA, SE, 369.23; IRS, TX, 22140.38; IRS, TX, 15086.95; IRS, TX, 5178.04; J.P. COOKE COMPANY, SU, 271.11; JACK'S UNIFORMS, SE, 100.00; JEO CONSULTING GROUP, SE, 7674.81; JOHNSON HEALTH TECH RETAIL, SE, 723.48; JORGENSEN, SHELLEY, RE, 150.00; KELLY SUPPLY COMPANY, SU, 334.96; KEPCO ENGRAVING, SU, 39.60; LARA, SANDRA, RE, 200.00; LAUREL ADVOCATE, SU, 51.50; MARCO, SE, 12.13; MARCO TECHNOLOGIES, SE, 180.50; MICHAEL TODD INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY, SU, 1425.20; MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, SE, 169566.00; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, TX, 6958.98; NE DEPT OF REVENUE-COMPLIANCE DIV, RE, 138.99; NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB, SE, 205.00; NNEDD, SE, 8003.82; NORTHEAST NE INS AGENCY, SE, 14238.00; NORTHEAST POWER, SE, 30712.14; ODEYS, SU, 241.49; OMAHA MAGAZINE, FE, 1680.00; O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE STORES, SU, 286.83; OVERDRIVE, SU, 1453.21; PEERLESS WIPING CLOTH, SU, 595.47; PIERSON PAINTING, SE, 6000.00; PRAIRIE PLAINS RESOURCE INSTITUTE, SU, 1430.00; PREMIER BIOTECH, SE, 72.18; QUALITY 1 GRAPHIC, SU, 145.00; REELSTRONG, SU, 14560.51; SERVER SUPPLY. COM, SU, 13445.93; SILVER SILO DESIGN, RE, 58500.00; SKARSHAUG TESTING LAB, SE, 499.56; STAPLES, SU, 41.09; STATE NEBRASKA BANK & TRUST, RE, 53221.25; STATE NEBRASKA BANK-PETTY CASH, RE, 650.00; STATE NEBRASKA BANK-PETTY CASH, RE, 108.13; THE RETROFIT COMPANIES, SE, 303.75; TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS, SU, 1024.00; TRUJILLO, IRVIN, RE, 50.00; VAN DIEST SUPPLY, SU, 1448.75; WAYNE COUNTY AG, FE, 1500.00; WESCO, SU, 15211.39; WESCO, SU, 195.70; WINTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY, SU, 4277.51; WISNER WEST, SU, 71.08; WORLD ARCHIVES, SU, 777.00; WYNIA, KATIE, SE, 330.00; AMERITAS, SE, 197.87; AMERITAS, SE, 35.00; AMERITAS, SE, 3812.74; AMERITAS, SE, 72.00; AMERITAS, SE, 133.32; AMGL, SE, 700.00; APPEARA, SE, 182.24; B & D SECURITIES, RE, 5000.00; BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD, SE, 55516.41; BROWN, SANDY, RE, 427.19; CHASE PAYMENTECH, SE, 5610.33; CHASE PAYMENTECH, SE, 559.13; CHASE PAYMENTECH, SE, 25.90; CITY EMPLOYEE, RE, 507.94; CITY OF WAYNE, PY, 130809.41; COONEY FERTILIZER, SU, 4074.14; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT, SU, 140.58; FLOOR MAINTENANCE, SU, 757.17; GODFATHERS PIZZA, SU, 152.94; HELENA AGRI-ENTERPRISES, SU, 1400.00; HILAND DAIRY, SE, 99.87; ICMA, SE, 617.03; ICMA, SE, 572.26; ICMA, SE, 11421.45; ICMA, SE, 1300.04; ICMA, SE, 214.81; ICMA, SE, 148.60; ICMA, SE, 158.98; ICMA, SE, 272.00; ICMA, SE, 270.84; ICMA, SE, 170.50; ICMA, SE, 369.23; IRS, TX, 5094.42; IRS, TX, 14658.86; IRS, TX, 21782.88; JEO CONSULTING GROUP, SE, 14918.56; MAIN STREET GARAGE, SE, 1623.93; MUTUAL OF OMAHA, SE, 369.00; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, TX, 6779.46; NORTHEAST POWER, SE, 4983.00; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, SE, 96.48; PAC N SAVE, SU, 1072.95; PLUMBING & ELECTRIC SERVICE, SE, 16547.93; PLUMBING & HEATING WHOLESALE, SU, 1079.67; PLUMBING & HEATING WHOLESALE, SU, -9,347.37; PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL, SE, 1047.96; PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL, SE, 324.45;

SEBADE CONSTRUCTION, SE, 2450.00; STATE NEBRASKA BANK & TRUST, SE, 78.96; TOTAL GRAPHICS, SE, 1107.00; WASTE CONNECTIONS, SE, 35.50

Councilmember Eischeid made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Bratcher, to approve the claims. Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Brodersen declared the time was at hand for the public hearing to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation regarding the Final Plat for the "Riley's Addition."

The applicant is the City of Wayne. The Planning Commission met on May 5, 2025, and is recommending approval of the Final Plat, with the "Findings of Fact" being consistency with the current and future land use maps and the Comprehensive Plan and staff's recommendation.

Joel Hansen, Street and Planning Director, was present to answer questions.

City Clerk McGuire had not received any comments, either verbal or in writing, for or against this public hearing.

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

Councilmember Eischeid introduced Resolution 2025-28, and moved for its approval; Councilmember Houser seconded.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2025-28

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE "RILEY'S ADDITION," CITY OF WAYNE, WAYNE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Marlen Chinn, Police Chief, reviewed the updated Interlocal Agreement to Share Law Enforcement Services between the City and Wayne State College (WSC). The term of this agreement, again, is 3 years and puts an officer on campus three nights per week (18 hours).

Cody Westerhold, Dean of Students for Wayne State College, was also present to answer questions.

Councilmember Karsky introduced Resolution No. 2025-29 and moved for its approval; Councilmember Houser seconded.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-29

A RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO SHARE LAW ENFORCEMENT RESOURCES BETWEEN THE CITY OF WAYNE AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGES, D/B/A WAYNE STATE COLLEGE.

Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The following Resolution would approve the plans and specs for the “Wayne Prairie Park - Phase 4 East Ditch Storm Sewer Project.” Jordan Utesch, Engineer with Olsson, was present (via zoom) to answer questions. The Engineer’s estimate on this phase of the project was \$360,000. This project should be completed by September/October.

It was noted this project would be paid for out of Street Funds and not Grant Funds.

Councilmember Bratcher introduced Resolution No. 2025-27 and moved for its approval; Councilmember Bolte seconded.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-27

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE “WAYNE PRAIRIE PARK - PHASE 4 EAST DITCH STORM SEWER PROJECT” AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS.

Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Bob Soukup, representing Carlson West Povondra Architects (via zoom), presented Application and Certificate of Payment No. 8 from Otte Construction Company, LLC, in the amount of \$85,648.00 for the “Wayne Parks & Rec Maintenance Building Project.”

Keith Moje, representing Otte Construction Company, LLC, updated the Council on the project.

Councilmember Bolte made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Karsky, approving Application and Certificate of Payment No. 8 in the amount of \$85,648.00 to Otte Construction Company, LLC, for the “Wayne Parks & Rec Maintenance Building Project.” Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Administrator Blecke stated the following Ordinance is brought before you as requested at the Retreat to consider changing the Council meeting dates from the first and third Tuesdays to the first and third Mondays of the month. The Planning Commission did not have an issue with changing the date they meet from the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month.

Councilmember Eischeid suggested this be effective the first meeting in July, which is July 7<sup>th</sup>.

After discussion, Councilmember Eischeid introduced Ordinance 2025-8, and moved for its approval, with the effective date for said change being the first Monday in July, which is July 7<sup>th</sup>; Councilmember Houser seconded.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2025-8

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WAYNE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE III ADMINISTRATION, CHAPTER 31 CITY COUNCIL, SECTION 31-27 REGULAR MEETINGS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried. The second reading will take place at the next meeting.

Mayor Brodersen requested Council consideration to appointing Austyn Houser as the Council Representative to the Wayne Community Redevelopment Authority.

Councilmember Webber made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Spieker, approving the appointment of Austyn Houser as Council Representative to the Wayne Community Redevelopment Authority. Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Eischeid made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Spieker, to enter into executive/closed session to conduct the City Administrator's evaluation, with the purpose being to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of the City Administrator, and to allow City Clerk McGuire to be in attendance. Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried, and executive/closed session began at 5:54 p.m.

Mayor Brodersen again stated the matter to be discussed in executive/closed session relates to the evaluation of the City Administrator.

Councilmember Spieker made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Bratcher, to resume open session. Mayor Brodersen stated the motion, and the result of roll call being all Yeas, the Mayor declared the motion carried, and open session resumed at 6:23 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mayor Brodersen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.