

MINUTES OF BUDGET HEARING OF THE NELIGH MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
September 6, 2022

A special meeting for a budget hearing of the Mayor City Council of the City of Neligh was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 4:30 P.M. at the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Joe Hartz and Council Members Ted Hughes, Dale Wilkinson, Leonard Miller, and Brent Pickrel. Also in attendance were City Supt. Dan Donaldson, Economic Development Director Lauren Sheridan-Simonsen and City Clerk Danielle Klabenes. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in Antelope County News on August 31, 2022. A copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Mayor Hartz offered a prayer before opening the meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Hartz presided over the meeting and noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Law, located on the east wall of the Council Chambers was available for the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Klabenes recorded the minutes.

**BUDGET HEARING FOR 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR**

Mayor Hartz opened a public budget hearing for the proposed fiscal year 2022-2023 budget for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations. Time 4:32 P.M. Clerk Klabenes reviewed and presented each page of the budget explaining the change in property tax asking for non-bond purposes and for bond purposes, the change in certified valuation, the anticipated revenues, and expenses for the 2022-2023 year, the proposed levy, and the special reserve funds in compliance with the budget. She presented the actual/estimated 2021-2022 expenses noting that no amended budget was needed as the expenditures were less than the authorized expenditures. She presented the actual 2020-2021 expenses, the restricted funds and lid exceptions with an explanation of the capital improvements and interlocal agreements. She presented a new page to the budget forms this year with a new calculation for allowable growth percentage, noting that the city fell below the threshold and was not required to attend a joint public hearing with the all the other tax entities in the county. She presented the unused restricted funds authority and municipal levy limit noting both complied with the budget. She reviewed the notice of budget hearing and final tax request that were both published and presented the differences between 2021 and 2022. She also presented a 33-year history of tax asking, levy and valuation figures noting when LB840 was approved by the citizens and when a business corridor annexation was approved. She also presented a history of electric, water and sewer rate changes noting that it had been several years since the electric and sewer were changed. Upon no further questions nor audience questions, the mayor closed the public hearing at 4:52 P.M.

There being no further business to conduct Council member Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Pickrel. Roll call votes in favor were Wilkinson, Hughes, Miller and Pickrel. Opposed: None. Thereupon Mayor Hartz declared the meeting adjourned. Time: 4:54 P.M.

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Joe Hartz, Mayor

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Danielle Klabenes, City Clerk

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Neligh, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Council on September 6, 2022 that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Danielle Klabenes, City Clerk