**City of Arapahoe, Nebraska**

**Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting**

**August 5, 2025**

**7:30pm**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Arapahoe, Nebraska met in regular session at the EMCC Council Room, on the 5th day of August 2025, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Valley Voice, a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the City Clerk’s office. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of the advance notice and agenda is filed in this office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and City Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

**ROLL CALL**

Attending: Mayor Koller, Councilmembers: Middagh, Kreutzer, Paulsen, Polston, tenBensel, Carpenter

Absent: None

Mayor Koller announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and is accessible to members of the public.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Connie Hoefs spoke about maintenance issues that the Mission Mall building is facing. Windows are cracked, stucco is falling off, and door sills are rotting. All of these issues cause leaks when it rains. The council will look into contractors to get estimates to repair the building.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

* 1. Approval of Minutes of the July 15, 2025 Regular Meeting

Moved by tenBensel, seconded by Paulsen, that the items listed under the consent agenda be approved, accepted, and/or ratified as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kreutzer, Paulsen, Polston, tenBensel, Carpenter, Middagh

 Nay: None MOTION CARRIED.

**DISCUSSION/REPORTS**

City Superintendent: Concrete work in streets by school and tennis court completed. Work continues on leaks at golf course. The concrete grinder will start work on our scrap pile.

City Clerk/Treasurer: Working on End of Month Financials. Joe Stump would like to set a meeting time to work with the Finance committee on the budget. September has 5 Tuesdays and would like to adjust council meetings from the 1st and 3rd to the 2nd and 4th. Waiting to hear back from LARM on hail claim.

Committee Reports:

Fire Department: New safety equipment is wanted. Struts that stabilize vehicles while extricating or working around them are the large dollar item in the $3700 package.

Moved by tenBensel, seconded by Polston, to approve the City contributing $1000 towards the purchase of the $3700 equipment purchase by the fire department.

Roll Call: Ayes: Paulsen, Middagh, Polston, tenBensel, Kreutzer, Carpenter

 Nay: None MOTION CARRIED.

Golf: Looking to get a VFD for the golf irrigation well to help prevent so many leaks in the watering system. The VFD would be paid for out of the golf donation line item with the City paying for the installation.

Tree Dump: Bids for tree pit work were submitted by Adam’s and Leising’s.

Moved by Middagh, seconded by Carpenter, to accept the bid from Leising’s for $2460 to complete the digging of the new pit at the tree dump.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kreutzer, Carpenter, Paulsen, Middagh, Polston, tenBensel

 Nay: None MOTION CARRIED.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approval of Claims for the period

Moved by Middagh, seconded by tenBensel, to approve the claims and payroll for the period 7-16-25 to 8-5-25.

Roll Call: Ayes: Paulsen, Polston, tenBensel, Carpenter, Middagh, Kreutzer

 Abstain: Paulsen #103357 for $170.80 & Middagh #103360 for $565.23 & Carpenter #103367 for $700.00

 Nay: None MOTION CARRIED.

Carlos Tena rehab grant Arapahoe Motel 658 Chestnut Street – final $10,000 #103365

Moved by Kreutzer, seconded by Polston, to approve the claim #103365 for $10,000 to Carlos Tena for the second and final rehab grant payment on 658 Chestnut Street.

Roll Call: Ayes: Polston, tenBensel, Carpenter, Middagh, Paulsen

 Nay: None MOTION CARRIED.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

No comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular City Council meeting is August 26, 2025 following the CRA meeting at 7:30pm in the EMCC Council Room.

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned by unanimous consent 8:45pm.

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Dixie Sickels, City Clerk

**City Claims approved as follows**: (*Abbreviations for this legal are: Ex, Expenses; Fe, Fees; Fu, Fuel; Re, Reimbursement; Se, Services; Su, Supplies*: AFLAC, Ex 121.98; AG Valley, Fu 2387.07; ATC, Se 920.19; American Ag Lab, Se 27.56; BBishop, Se 650.00; Black Hills, Se 233.14; BC/BS, Ex 5740.06; Cash-Wa, Su 1758.33; Charles Schwab, Ex 701.46; Cline Williams, Se 2508.00; D&N, Su 155.85; Dollar General, Su 72.86; Wal-Mart, Su 73.50; Amazon, Ex 48.10; EFTPS, Ex 5571.38; Eakes, Su 151.37; EFlores, Se 3300.00; FYR-TEK, Su 5652.89; First Central Bank, Fe 32.40; CGutierrez, Se 108.00; HSA, Ex 305.00; Hawkins, Su 1740.81; Hemelstrand's, Su 932.97; Landmark, Su 7.75; LARM, Fe 674.00; Midwest Turf & Irr, Su 540.30; Municipal Chem Supp, Su 1360.00; Municipal Supply, Su 314.96; NE State Firefighters Assoc, Fe 570.00; NE Dept of Rev, Ex 1583.44; Nebraskaland Dist, Su 306.70; PLIC, Ex 1370.10; JPaulsen, Re 170.80; Peters Pyrotechnic, Ex 5932.15; Pye-Barker Fire & Safety, Se 829.00; Quadient Leasing, Se 200.97; Quality Brands, Su 1540.54; S&W, Su 565.23; ASchrock, Se 100.00; DSnyder, Re 514.94; South Central Sanitation, Se 13364.50; Stewart Tree Service, Se 1100.00; Straight Flush Septic, Se 600.00; Sunset Pool, Su 249.60; BTaylor, Re 38.00; CTena, Ex 10000.00; TVPP, Se 3396.11; Urbom Law, Se 300.00; Van Diest, Su 4931.30; Vestis, Su 146.22; W&J Carpenter, Su 700.00; Wagner's, Su 140.70; Utilities, Ex 6848.66