

## **Osmond City Council Meeting Minutes** **Monday, November 10, 2025**

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Osmond, Nebraska, was held in the conference room at 325 North State Street, in said City on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Present were: Mayor Dennis M. Kuhl, Council Members Dennis Haselhorst, Douglas A. Schmit, Daniel E. Timmerman, and Neil E. Wattier. Absent: none. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication and was posted in three conspicuous public places in said City. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all members of the Council. A copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda are on file at the City Clerk's office. 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 convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Kuhl 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 in the room where the meeting was being held.

Curt Becker, with the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resource District (LENRD), informed council that the flood reduction project plan for F1-1 would consist of raising 4<sup>th</sup> Street by the ballfields to the natural berm, extending stormwater culverts to the east with flap gates at the end to prevent backflow into town, adding a drainage culvert on the property to the south of 4<sup>th</sup> Street to avoid flooding to that property and construct a retaining wall six feet high by the baseball field to avoid disrupting the field. This plan also would require the ballfield concession stand and bathrooms to be raised to the proposed grade above flood elevations. The next plan is F1-2 which in Northeast Osmond would work interdependently with F1-1 which would be an alternate location to have a berm that ties into the north and south with a top width of 10 feet, a maximum height of 7.6 feet and 3:1 sloped sides. It would include a pipe and flap gate system to allow interior drainage to flow east while preventing any backflow. As far as South Osmond a plan for flood reduction is only nonstructural which would be elevating eight buildings, flood vents on another two properties, one property would require a berm surround it and all buildings would have recommended backflow preventers. Becker went on to say the planning phase is about complete and stated that there were still some grant funds remaining on the project that could be used on the design phase if council chose to move forward on the project. After some discussion on the local share for the project council decided to discuss it again at the December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting before deciding to move forward to the design phase.

Minutes of the October 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting were prepared and sent to Council Members. Councilman Haselhorst motioned to approve the minutes of the October 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting as submitted. Seconded by Councilman Timmerman. Roll call vote: Haselhorst, yea; Schmit, yea; Timmerman, yea; Wattier, yea. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Next, an update on vacant properties was provided by Mayor Kuhl stating that the one location on State Street would be demolished by the end of December. He asked what other properties needed to be discussed, Clerk Timmerman brought up a property that she has received some complaints on in regard to the exterior of the property needing cleaned up. She had provided council with a draft of a nuisance property letter and stated if council was ok with the requested items needing to be done then she would have the mayor sign it and deliver it to the owner. After some discussion it was decided to move forward with the nuisance letter. Maintenance employees Bert Wattier and Caleb Eckstrom requested that a council member contact another property owner by the park to have the city's right of way cleaned up on their lot prior to winter to avoid snow drifting issues that has happened in the past. Lastly, Clerk Timmerman brought up the discussion on the old city office and police station. She stated that with cleaning up other properties she asked council to start considering options of what to do with the old building since it's starting to lose bricks on the façade. Timmerman asked council if anyone has thought of what to do with the city office because of the amount being paid on rent each year for the temporary office since the flood. This item will be brought before council again at the December meeting.

After reviewing the tree ordinance that was discussed at last month's meeting Clerk Timmerman discovered a section in the City's code book that was actually similar with only a few differences. She reviewed the differences with council and it was decided no new ordinance was needed.

Councilman Wattier motioned to approve the HunTel CableVision franchise extension Resolution 2025-9 as follows:

**RESOLUTION 2025-9**

WHEREAS, the City of Osmond, Nebraska, granted to Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company (now HunTel CableVision, Inc. dba American Broadband) the "Osmond Community Antenna Telecommunications Franchise" on August 2, 1994; and,

WHEREAS, that 15-year agreement has now expired; and

WHEREAS, HunTel CableVision, Inc. has requested a 15-year extension to that agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Osmond, Nebraska, that a 15-year extension of the "Osmond Community Antenna Telecommunications Franchise" be granted to HunTel CableVision, Inc., pursuant to Ordinance No. 1994-15; Section 23 (Duration of Franchise) Part (c) which authorizes the 15-year extension, with said franchise agreement to commence the date of signing, and ending October 13, 2040.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of November, 2025, by the vote of the Osmond City Council.

Dennis Kuhl, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brittney Timmerman, City Clerk

Seconded by Councilman Schmit. Roll call vote: Haselhorst, yea; Schmit, yea; Timmerman, yea; Wattier, yea.

Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Mayor Kuhl introduced Resolution 2025-10 Signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent. Councilman Schmit moved for the adoption of said resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Osmond to sign the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent for 2025. Seconded by Councilman Haselhorst. Roll call vote: Haselhorst, yea; Schmit, yea; Timmerman, yea; Wattier, yea. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2025-10**

**Signing of the Year-end Certification of City Street Superintendent 2025**

WHEREAS: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2511 through 39-2515 details the requirements that must be met in order for a municipality to qualify for an annual Incentive Payment; and

WHEREAS: The State of Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires that each incorporated municipality must annually certify (by December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year) the appointment(s) of the City Street Superintendent(s) to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent form; and

WHEREAS: The NDOT requires that each certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the city street superintendent's appointment, i.e., meeting minutes; showing the appointment of the City Street Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), their License Number (if applicable), and Class of License (if applicable), and type of appointment, i.e., employed, contract (consultant, or interlocal agreement with another incorporated municipality and/or county), and the beginning date of the appointment; and

WHEREAS: The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent form shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include a copy a resolution of the governing body authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent form by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor  X  Village Board Chairperson      of City of Osmond is hereby authorized to sign the attached Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent completed form(s).

ADOPTED THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF November, 2025 at Osmond, Nebraska.

Daniel Timmerman

Dennis Haselhorst

Douglas A. Schmit

Neil E. Wattier

City Council/Village Board Member Doug Schmit

Moved the adoption of said resolution

Member Dennis Haselhorst Seconded the Motion

Roll Call 4 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 0 Absent

Resolution adopted, signed, and billed as adopted.

Attest:

Brittney Timmerman, City Clerk

Moving on Clerk Timmerman was contacted by a resident to see if any landscaping around the new community sign was going to be done. They were hoping to see it be cleaned up to make it a little more eye appealing. After some discussion and permission from the property owner it was decided the city maintenance crew would work on cleaning it up and add a little low maintenance landscaping to the area.

Councilman Schmit motioned to approve the applications for a Special Designated License as requested by Main Street Alley for Christmas Wishes on December 13<sup>th</sup> at the city auditorium. Councilman Wattier seconded. Roll call vote: Haselhorst, yea; Schmit, yea; Wattier, yea. Voting nay: none. Abstaining: Timmerman. Motion carried

Treasurer Timmerman reviewed the annual audit performed October 22<sup>nd</sup> with council. She stated the audit was a little more in depth, with more information being required even after the on-site work day, but Timmerman was pleased to inform council that no comments were made for last fiscal year audit. She explained that the auditor said it's very rare to have no findings and was pleased with how the audit had gone.

Treasurer Timmerman reported on total claims in the amount of \$94,102.90. Councilman Timmerman made a motion to approve to pay all non-conflicting bills, seconded by Councilman Wattier. Roll call vote: Haselhorst, yea; Schmit, yea; Timmerman, yea; Wattier, yea. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Haselhorst, seconded by Councilman Timmerman, to pay the bill submitted by Allstar Parts LLC & Northeast Nebraska Tire & Trailer. Roll call vote: Haselhorst, yea; Timmerman, yea; Wattier, yea. Abstaining: Schmit. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

With no October 2025 bank statement received yet the reconciliation and bank statement will be reviewed at the December meeting.

Clerk Timmerman stated the following building permit was reviewed: Pat & Robbie Gansebom, detached garage larger than 1,000 square feet.

Mayor Kuhl stated city sales tax for August 2025 was a total of \$21,513.63 (of that amount \$3,333.50 is from motor vehicle tax).

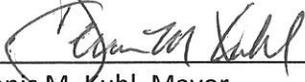
Mayor Kuhl read one thank you correspondence from the family of Cindy Hoffman.

Police Chief Wells presented a report on recent activity within the city including four reports on the welfare of a dog, one question on a fire call, five reports of a dog barking/howling, one question on patrol car and one mailbox damage report to name a few. Wells also reported that he had a Region 11 Emergency Management meeting in Norfolk and reported that Halloween trick or treating went well with no issues.

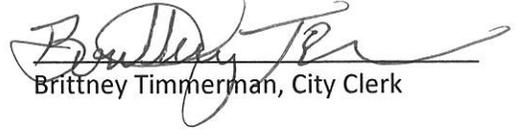
Clerk Timmerman had spoke with the city attorney on the status of the cemetery plot reclaiming and Dennis Collins is hoping to have that completed in the next couple of months and will provide council an update once it's filed with the District Court. No other matters to report.

With no further business, motion was made by Councilman Schmit, seconded by Councilman Haselhorst to adjourn the Council meeting at 8:15 p.m. Roll call vote: Haselhorst, yea; Schmit, yea; Timmerman, yea; Wattier, yea. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

CITY OF OSMOND



Dennis M. Kuhl, Mayor



Brittney Timmerman, City Clerk

I, Brittney Timmerman, Clerk of the City of Osmond, Nebraska, hereby certify that the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available at City Clerk's office, that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that the minutes of the meeting of the City Council of the City of Osmond, Nebraska, from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.



Brittney Timmerman, City Clerk