

Yutan City Council  
Tuesday, June 17th, 2025  
7:00 p.m. Yutan City Hall

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUTAN, IN THE COUNTY OF SAUNDERS, STATE OF NEBRASKA HELD AT THE CITY OFFICE IN SAID CITY ON THE 17th DAY OF JUNE 2025, AT 7:00 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting notice, a designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication and Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to Mayor Thompson and all members of the Yutan City Council, and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of the notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Thompson. Councilmembers Lawton, Schimenti, and Smith were present. Mayor Thompson informed all the individuals present of the location of the Open Meetings Act and Code of Conduct. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1) Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Minutes of May 20th, 2025, Regular Meeting
- b. Treasurer's Report
- c. Claims-ARCS-LLC \$214.00, **Blue Cross Blue Shield** \$1,900.17, **Bomgaars** \$17.45, **Cardmember Services** \$5,740.07, **City of Wahoo** \$450.00, **Column Software PBC** \$88.67, **Cooper, Wade** \$150.00, **Cubby's** \$576.14, **Culligan** \$38.08, **DataShield** \$61.67, **DropIn Portables** \$593.85, **Eakes** \$622.17, **EFTPS** \$10,300.25, **Engel, Vicki** \$270.00, **Frontier** \$542.03, **Grainger** \$454.50, **Hometown Leasing** \$74.74, **Humbolt Specialty Mfg** \$156.63, **Hydro Optimization & Automation Solutions Inc.** 1,097.00, **Kahlandt Rock & Trucking** \$710.91, **Lopeman Photography** \$200.00, **Lowes** \$320.67, **Martin Marietta** \$1,574.39, **Mead Signs** \$395.00, **Menards** \$72.95, **MUD** \$62.71, **Municipal Supply** \$1,328.10, **Mutual of Omaha** \$36.00, **NE Department of Revenue** \$518.77, **Nebraska Turf Product** \$586.25, **Nebraska Water Resources Association** \$105.00, **One Call Concepts, Inc.** \$17.51, **OPPD** \$4,953.92, **Purchase Power** \$548.39, **Road Runner Transportation** \$442.00, **Sargent Drilling** \$1,096.23, **The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company** \$392.49, **Thompson Construction** \$4,450.00, **US Cellular** \$106.82, **Van Ackeren, Laurie** \$54.18, **Wilke Plumbing** \$1,275.00, **Total w/o Payroll** \$42,594.71, **Payroll** \$29,472.12, **Total w/Payroll** \$72,066.83.
- d. A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Lawton and seconded by Schimenti. Upon roll call vote was as follows: YEAH: Lawton, Schimenti, Smith. NO: None, Motion Carried.

**2) Discussion Items**

- a. Well head protection area-
  - i. Community Planner Robert Costa went over the possibility of being approved

for a grant for updating the well head protection act. The current plan is around 20-25 years old and it contains good information even though it is outdated. Costa suggested updates to the plan due to potential hazards and the potential of adding a new well along with the location. Looking through the current water quality report is minimal and is not considered a violation by the state. Costa also talked about the “issues” with the smell and residue left from the current water and what are potential possibilities to improve it. Costa went over how they can find new potential well locations and how run off can affect the ground around it. Currently he is recommending that we continue having conversations with the NRD and UNL to potentially see what is involved with potential well heads and identify what we are wanting to pursue and what we are wanting to regulate. Administrator Oliva went over the current plan and how outdated it is and that it should have been updated periodically but it never was. He also spoke on the grant that SENDD sent out about the median household income and that they can be used for grants like these to help fund future projects. Mayor Thompson agrees that we should still look at pursuing this grant even if we are only a few thousand dollars over the required amount. Councilmember Schimenti asked where the household income statistics were coming from, it was stated that it is coming from the census. The council agrees that this is something that does need to be upgraded due to the current plan being so outdated.

**b. ETJ legal description-**

- i. Community Planner Robert Costa went over what the ETJ (Extra Territorial Jurisdiction) covers and the authority that the city has within a mile of the city's jurisdiction. Costa went over the fact that Clear Creek Acres is at the very edge of our ETJ and that two plots are actually within the county's jurisdiction. Costa's suggestion is that we work on defining our jurisdiction to either lot lines or road boundaries. He also stated that we need a legal description for plots within our ETJ and city boundaries. As of right now there is no legal jurisdiction and that we need to provide a legal description to specific property boundaries. Costa would like to potentially approach different surveyors to see what it would cost to obtain metes-and-bounds descriptions. Costa stated that he would work with the planning commission next month. Councilmember Schimenti asked about where the center point is for the current ETJ or if it goes off the city limits. Administrator Oliva stated that it should mirror what our current city limits look like. Mayor Thompson asked how far we can take our ETJ or if we can shrink the ETJ line. Councilmember Smith stated that we would not want to shrink our boundaries. Administrator Oliva stated that you can change it every time you annex a new area. Mayor Thompson asked if it would help limit some of the risk, and time that the current employees put into it currently. The council agrees that Costa should look into what it would cost to survey our ETJ and squaring up the one mile of the ETJ.

**c. Pavillion rebuild-**

- i. Administrator Oliva is just looking for some direction on the old pavilion and that the CRA has never gone any farther with wanting to rebuild it and would like to know if the council would like to rebuild it. Mayor Thompson stated that we should rebuild it and if in the future we wanted to enclose it we could. Administrator Oliva stated that if it was left as an open structure it could be left in its original location and not have any issues with the floodplain. It was asked

about building it with steel beams instead of the original old ones. Oliva stated that if it was built with steel it would be a higher cost, but it is something that he can look into. Councilmember Smith stated that even if we wanted to go with steel we could potentially look into updating it in the future.

- d. Expanding coverage for Police Department-
  - i. Mayor Thompson has talked to Chief Hannan about the issues with covering night and weekend shifts. We currently have one employee who currently is covering a lot of daytime shifts, along with two other officers. As of right now we are not getting any night coverage, we have one officer who is willing to work night shifts and weekends but wants to do a 40 hour week, but remain part-time with a pay of \$ 50 an hour. Councilmember Schimenti asked if we have run into a situation where additional coverage is needed immediately. Mayor Thompson stated not immediately but in the evenings/weekends it could be useful to have a police presence, along with taking on the Mead coverage.
- e. JEO water line updates
  - i. Administrator Oliva wanted to bring to the council an update of the city's water line and the potential cost. The current Thompson building is being run off of a 1 inch line and it needs to be running off of a 2 in line. Mayor Thompson said that this may be something that is bonded, Oliva stated that we could qualify for a new SRF loan.

### **3) Supervisor Reports**

- a. Library Director
- b. Water & Parks
- c. Sewer & Street
- d. Police Chief
- e. Community Planner
- f. City Administrator-Update to the potential Verizon project for the water tower and that they will be presenting a new lease and plans to the council.

### **4) Items for Next Meeting Agenda**

**Meeting Adjourned**-A motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. was made by Smith and seconded by Lawton. Upon roll call vote was as follows: YEAH: Schimenti, Smith, Lawton. NO: None, Motion Carried.

### **NEXT MEETING DATES**

**Planning Commission Meeting-July 8th, 2025, 7:00 P.M.**

**City Council Meeting - July 15th, 2025, 7:00 P.M.**

Anyone desiring to speak before the mayor and city council should contact the city clerk by the Monday preceding the city council meeting by 4:00 p.m. Anyone desiring to speak on any item on the agenda is invited to do so but should limit himself/herself to 3 minutes. After being recognized by the mayor, give your name and address for the record. Anyone desiring to speak for a longer period of time should make arrangements with the city clerk prior to the meeting. All speakers shall address the mayor and city council only. Anyone attending the meeting that may require auxiliary aid or service should contact the city clerk in advance.

Matt Thompson, Mayor

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Brandy Bolter, City Clerk/Treasurer

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