**Minutes Of City Council**

**City Of Sargent, Nebraska**

**Special Session**

**Sargent Community Center**

**September 24, 2024**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Sargent, Nebraska, met in Special Session at the Sargent Community Center on the 24th day of September, at 7:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the City Office, U. S. Post Office, Sargent Corner Market and First National Bank on Friday September 20, 2024. The following were present: Council Members: Micky Schneider, Gerry Sheets, Tim Clayton, and Mayor Myers, Troy Gavin, City Administrator and City Clerk/Treasurer Gwenda Horky.

Mayor Myers stated a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted on the east wall of the meeting room in the Sargent Community Center. Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Guest were: Tom & Linda Osborn, Jake Klein, Haley Vodehnal, Kathy McMurtry, Pam Slagle, Jinger & Chandler Larson, Kris & Kenny Ellsworth, Patty Olney, Reece & Jan Jensen, Bryce Lamb, & Krystina Rugg.

Council Member Sheets moved to approve the consent agenda.    Council Member Clayton seconded.  Voting yea:  , Clayton, Schneider, and Sheets.    Voting nay:  None.  Motion carried

The Mayor asked for comments about the 2024-2025 budget. None were made. The Mayor directed Horky to explain. Horky told the audience that on page 12 line 7 was over by $6,080.20 which was 8%, on the allowable growth percentage. The City is allowed a 2% growth rate. The Notice of Budget Hearing shows that the tax request for 2024 is less than 2023.

Pam Slagle told the audience that accounting firms tell their customers to budget higher in event that disasters may occur, or a grant obtained.

The Mayor announced that the Council was going into executive Session for the protection of the public interest to discuss strategy with respect to pending or threatened litigation evidenced by a claim or threat of litigation, it being clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest.

Council Schneider moved to go into executive session for the protection of the public interest to discuss strategy with respect to pending or threatened litigation evidenced by a claim or threat of litigation, it being clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest at 7:38 pm. Council Member Clayton seconded. Voting yea: Schneider, Clayton, and Sheets. Voting nay: None. Motion carried

The City Council came out of executive session at 7:59 pm

Motion made by Council Member Schneider and seconded by Council Member Clayton to adjourn the meeting. Voting yea:, Schneider, Clayton and Sheets.. Voting nay: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

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Mayor

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City Clerk