



# SPRINGFIELD

## NEBRASKA

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### **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.  
Springfield City Hall  
170 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

- Public announcement that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted in the entry to the meeting room
- Roll call
- Pledge of Allegiance

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

*All consent agenda items are approved in one motion unless removed by a Council Member. Removed items will be placed under the Regular Agenda for consideration and action by the Council.*

1. Approve Minutes of the December 17, 2024, Council Meeting
2. Approve Claims and Payroll
3. Jimmy Baughman, SYAA – Request to waive the Community Building rental fee for the Springfield Youth Athletic Association wrestling banquet scheduled for Sunday, March 23, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to midnight

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

1. Sarpy County Sheriff's Monthly Service Report
2. Jason Carbee, HDR, and Jim Boerner, MAPA – Western Sarpy Transportation Enhancement Plan (WE-STEP) presentation
3. Consider approval of a quote from H & H Chevrolet for the purchase of a 2024 Chevrolet 1500 Silverado
4. Discuss Ember Davis's six-month review and consider a proposed merit increase

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

1. Water & Sewer Department – Mike Neitzel
2. Library & Community Building – Michael Herzog
3. Parks Department – Kacie Murtha
4. Street Department – Dan Craney
5. Mayor’s Report – Bob Roseland
6. City Staff Reports

*The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to adjourn into executive session per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at City Hall. Present were Mayor Bob Roseland; Council Members: Mike Neitzel, Michael Herzog, Kacie Murtha, Dan Craney. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting in three public places, one of the designated methods of giving notice. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to the Mayor and all Council Members and a copy of their receipt of notice is attached to these Minutes. 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 public. The Mayor 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.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to approve the Consent Agenda. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Check #	Account ID	Account Description	Name	Debit Amount
<b>General</b>				
EFTPS 1/8/2025	6084-10-10	Aflac-Gen	Aflac	140.68
49188	6084-10-10	Aflac-Gen	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	44.80
49212	7240-10-10	Mileage-Gen	Andrea Ledenbach	85.76
49191	7260-10-10	Printing-Gen	Bear Graphics	303.67

EFTPS 1/1/25	6080-10-10	Health Insurance-Gen	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	4,439.15
49196	7045-10-10	Prof Svcs-Tech Support-Gen	Core Technologies, Inc	1,367.50
49199	8140-10-10	R&M Equipment-Gen	Eakes Office Solutions	387.00
49197	7240-10-10	Mileage-Gen	Ember Davis	16.88
49203	7045-10-10	Prof Svcs-Tech Support-Gen	First National Bank of Omaha	15.99
49203	7180-10-10	Education-Gen	First National Bank of Omaha	443.00
49203	7205-10-10	Subscriptions-Gen	First National Bank of Omaha	5.00
49203	7250-10-10	Publication Costs-Gen	First National Bank of Omaha	555.78
49203	7330-10-10	Telephone-Gen	First National Bank of Omaha	189.48
49203	8130-10-10	R&M Building-Gen	First National Bank of Omaha	38.98
49203	8010-10-10	Office Supplies-Gen	First National Bank of Omaha	7.14
49204	8140-10-10	R&M Equipment-Gen	Five Points Bank	126.29
49204	9010-10-10	Office Equipment-Gen	Five Points Bank	88.42
49208	8130-10-10	R&M Building-Gen	Home Depot Credit Services	35.88
49209	7030-10-10	Prof Svcs-Planning-Gen	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	470.00
49214	8030-10-10	Supplies-Gen	Menards	25.79
EFTPS 01/01/25	6080-10-10	Health Insurance-Gen	Metropolitan Life Insurance Co	149.19
49216	7320-10-10	Natural Gas-General	Metropolitan Utilities District	139.89
EFTPS	7270-10-10	Insurance-Gen	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	295.13
49222	7310-10-10	Electricity-Gen	OPPD	270.02
EFTPS 1/2025	6080-10-10	Health Insurance-Gen	PLIC - SBD Grand Island	191.43
49225	7046-10-10	Prof Svcs-Building Inspector	Sarpy County Building Inspector	671.23
49226	7060-10-10	Animal Control-Gen	Sarpy County Fiscal Administrator	414.00
49227	7050-10-10	Law Contract-Gen	Sarpy County Treasurer	10,568.00
49229	7020-10-10	Prof Svcs-Legal-Gen	Seidler & Seidler, P.C.	837.20
49229	7060-10-10	Animal Control-Gen	Seidler & Seidler, P.C.	30.00
49230	7200-10-10	Dues-Gen	Southeast Area Clerks Association	10.00
49232	7442-10-10	Tobacco License-Gen	Springfield Platteview Community School	30.00
49234	7280-10-10	Laundry-Gen	Walkers Uniform Rental	128.14
49223	7340-10-10	Waste Disposal-Gen	Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc	36.10
			<b>Total</b>	<b>22,557.52</b>
<b>Community Events</b>				
49212	9089-15-10	Community Events-Sales Tax	Andrea Ledenbach	47.40
49192	9089-15-10	Community Events-Sales Tax	Brite Ideas Decorating Inc.	12,525.00
49203	9089-15-10	Community Events-Sales Tax	First National Bank of Omaha	258.20
49208	9089-15-10	Community Events-Sales Tax	Home Depot Credit Services	10.72
			<b>Total</b>	<b>12,841.32</b>
<b>Library</b>				
49187	8060-20-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib	Amazon Capital Services	217.03
49188	6084-20-10	Aflac-Lib	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	26.40
49190	8060-20-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib	Baker & Taylor	55.20
EFTPS 1/1/25	6080-20-10	Health Insurance-Lib	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	565.58
49196	7330-20-10	Telephone-Lib	Core Technologies, Inc	50.00
49205	8130-20-10	R&M Building-Lib	Fireguard Inc	176.50
49203	7330-20-10	Telephone-Lib	First National Bank of Omaha	102.03
49208	8130-20-10	R&M Building-Lib	Home Depot Credit Services	58.96
49201	9062-20-10	Security System-Lib	Iris Group Holdings LLC	87.20
49211	8060-20-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib	Knowbuddy	185.78
49200	8060-20-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib	Lerner Publishing Group	75.97
49213	8060-20-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib	Lookout Books	146.75

49228	7480-20-10	Janitorial-Lib	Marcie Schmieder	375.00
EFTPS 01/01/25	6080-20-10	Health Insurance-Lib	Metropolitan Life Insurance Co	27.66
49216	7320-20-10	Natural Gas-Lib	Metropolitan Utilities District	174.78
EFTPS	7270-20-10	Insurance-Lib	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	128.91
49222	7310-20-10	Electricity-Lib	OPPD	193.49
EFTPS 1/2025	6080-20-10	Health Insurance-Lib	PLIC - SBD Grand Island	109.52
49223	7340-20-10	Waste Disposal-Lib	Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc	41.99
49235	8060-20-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib	Willow Lane Education	28.99
			<b>Total</b>	<b>2,827.74</b>
<b>Library Restricted</b>				
49193	8060-21-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib Rest	Center Point Large Print	94.68
49199	8070-21-10	Library Supplies-Lib Rest	Eakes Office Solutions	85.68
49204	9010-21-10	Office Equipment Lib Rest	Five Points Bank	93.51
49206	8060-21-10	Books/Videos/Maps-Lib Rest	Cengage Learning Inc/Gale	168.71
49224	8070-21-10	Library Supplies-Lib Rest	Quill Corporation	149.06
49233	7180-21-10	Education-Lib Rest	Three Rivers Library System	10.00
			<b>Total</b>	<b>601.64</b>
<b>Parks</b>				
EFTPS 1/1/25	6080-30-10	Health Insurance-Park	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	874.81
EFTPS 1/3/2025	8120-30-10	Fuel-Park	Casey's Business Mastercard	88.05
49203	7200-30-10	Dues-Park	First National Bank of Omaha	100.00
EFTPS 01/01/25	6080-30-10	Health Insurance-Park	Metropolitan Life Insurance Co	41.49
EFTPS	7270-30-10	Insurance-Park	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	189.97
49222	7310-30-10	Electricity-Park	OPPD	615.10
EFTPS 1/2025	6080-30-10	Health Insurance-Park	PLIC - SBD Grand Island	52.86
49223	7340-30-10	Waste Disposal-Park	Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc	250.49
			<b>Total</b>	<b>2,212.77</b>
<b>Soccer Complex</b>				
EFTPS 1/3/2025	8120-35-10	Fuel-Soccer	Casey's Business Mastercard	88.05
			<b>Total</b>	<b>88.05</b>
<b>Community Building</b>				
49194	7455-40-10	Internet-Community Bldg	Charter Communications	109.99
49202	7480-40-10	Janitorial-Community Building	Executive Janitorial Corporation	250.00
49208	8130-40-10	R&M Building-Community Bldg	Home Depot Credit Services	221.64
49210	8130-40-10	R&M Building-Community Bldg	KeyinCloud LLP	288.00
49216	7320-40-10	Natural Gas-Community Bldg	Metropolitan Utilities District	374.96
EFTPS	7270-40-10	Insurance-Community Bldg	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	100.08
49222	7310-40-10	Electricity-Community Bldg	OPPD	106.90
49234	7280-40-10	Laundry-Community Bldg	Walkers Uniform Rental	156.96
49223	7340-40-10	Waste Disposal-Community Bldg	Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc	95.30
			<b>Total</b>	<b>1,703.83</b>
<b>Water</b>				
EFTPS 1/8/2025	6084-50-20	Aflac-Water	Aflac	96.89
49188	6084-50-20	Aflac-Water	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	9.75
49212	7240-50-20	Mileage-Water	Andrea Ledenbach	9.85
49212	8010-50-20	Office Supplies-Water	Andrea Ledenbach	41.31
49189	8110-50-20	Chemicals-Water	Aqua-Chem, Inc.	184.20
EFTPS 1/1/25	6080-50-20	Health Insurance-Water	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	1,969.84
EFTPS 1/3/2025	8120-50-20	Fuel-Water	Casey's Business Mastercard	109.10
49236	7240-50-20	Mileage-Water	Chris Woodman	206.36

49208	8030-50-20	Supplies-Water	Home Depot Credit Services	62.60
EFTPS 01/01/25	6080-50-20	Health Insurance-Water	Metropolitan Life Insurance Co	74.60
49215	7420-50-20	Testing-Water	Midwest Laboratories	354.66
EFTPS	7270-50-20	Insurance-Water	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	315.48
49220	7330-50-20	Telephone-Water	Nebraska Technology & Telecommunication	238.81
49219	7420-50-20	Testing-Water	NEPublic Health Environmental Lab	34.00
49198	7430-50-20	Digger's Hotline-Water	One Call Concepts, Inc.	17.18
49222	7310-50-20	Electricity-Water	OPPD	1,249.83
EFTPS 1/ 2025	6080-50-20	Health Insurance-Water	PLIC - SBD Grand Island	81.10
49229	7020-50-20	Prof Svcs- Legal-Water	Seidler & Seidler, P.C.	150.00
			<b>Total</b>	<b>5,205.56</b>
<b>Sewer</b>				
EFTPS 1/8/2025	6084-60-30	Aflac-Sewer	Aflac	29.12
49188	6084-60-30	Aflac-Sewer	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	9.75
EFTPS 1/1/25	6080-60-30	Health Insurance-Sewer	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	1,628.98
EFTPS 1/3/2025	8120-60-30	Fuel-Sewer	Casey's Business Mastercard	84.56
EFTPS 1/3/2025	8030-60-30	Supplies-Sewer	Casey's Business Mastercard	5.99
EFTPS 01/01/25	6080-60-30	Health Insurance-Sewer	Metropolitan Life Insurance Co	60.76
49215	7420-60-30	Testing-Sewer	Midwest Laboratories	40.00
EFTPS	7270-60-30	Insurance-Sewer	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	237.46
49158	7200-60-30	Dues-Swr	Nebraska State Fire Marshall	120.00
49221	7010-60-30	Prof Svcs-Engineer-Sewer	Olsson	319.32
49222	7310-60-30	Electricity-Sewer	OPPD	3,268.71
EFTPS 1/2025	6080-60-30	Health Insurance-Sewer	PLIC - SBD Grand Island	64.51
49229	7020-60-30	Prof Svcs-Legal-Sewer	Seidler & Seidler, P.C.	105.00
49231	9040-60-30	Tools & Misc Equip-Sewer	Springfield Ace Hardware	6.99
			<b>Total</b>	<b>5,981.15</b>
<b>Streets</b>				
EFTPS 1/8/2025	6084-70-40	Aflac-Street	Aflac	67.77
EFTPS 1/1/25	6080-70-40	Health Insurance-Street	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	1,346.89
EFTPS 1/3/2025	8120-70-40	Fuel-Street	Casey's Business Mastercard	81.57
49203	8140-70-40	R&M Equipment-Street	First National Bank of Omaha	286.61
49186	9020-70-40	Vehicles-Street	H&H Chevrolet	45,229.00
49208	8030-70-40	Supplies-Street	Home Depot Credit Services	26.86
49207	9040-70-40	Tools & Misc Equip-Street	Jim Wulf	233.85
EFTPS 01/01/25	6080-70-40	Health Insurance-Street	Metropolitan Life Insurance Co	55.32
49216	7320-70-40	Natural Gas-Street	Metropolitan Utilities District	860.63
49217	8140-70-40	R&M Equipment-Street	Mill Creek Auto Parts	261.24
49217	8150-70-40	R&M Vehicle-Street	Mill Creek Auto Parts	41.98
49217	8030-70-40	Supplies-Street	Mill Creek Auto Parts	199.63
EFTPS	7270-70-40	Insurance-Street	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	429.10
49220	7330-70-40	Telephone-Street	Nebraska Technology & Telecommunication	166.26
49218	8140-70-40	R&M Equipment-Street	Nebraska-Iowa Industrial Fasteners Corp	207.15
49221	7010-70-40	Prof Svcs-Engineer-Street	Olsson	1,766.59
49222	7310-70-40	Electricity-Street	OPPD	2,671.59
EFTPS 1/2025	6080-70-40	Health Insurance-Street	PLIC - SBD Grand Island	67.80
49231	8200-70-40	Miscellaneous-Street	Springfield Ace Hardware	86.75
49231	9040-70-40	Tools & Misc Equip-Street	Springfield Ace Hardware	38.10
49234	7290-70-40	Uniform Allowance-Street	Walkers Uniform Rental	28.42

49223	7340-70-40	Waste Disposal-Street	Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc	79.41
			<b>Total</b>	<b>54,232.52</b>
<b>Keno Community Betterment</b>				
49195	9174-80-70	Keno CB Project	Commercial Recreation Specialists, Inc	4,486.00
49229	7020-80-70	Prof Svcs-Legal-Keno	Seidler & Seidler, P.C.	60.00
			<b>Total</b>	<b>4,546.00</b>
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>112,678.10</b>
			Water Deposit Refunds	1,050.00
			Payroll	79,029.52
			Voya Retirement	7,710.92
			Medical Reimbursement	1,183.82
			<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>201,772.36</b>

**Regular Agenda**

**Agenda Item 1.** Cpt. Tori Boldt reviewed the Sarpy County Sheriff’s Monthly Service Report. Cpt. Boldt reported the Department has issued several parking tickets this past month, and noted the holidays passed with no issues. Cpt. Boldt reported that Sheriff Jeff Davis has retired after 51 years of public service, 19 of those as the Sarpy County Sheriff. Greg London will be appointed as Sheriff for the remaining 2 years of Sheriff Davis’s term. Jacob Betsworth will be appointed as Chief Deputy. Cpt Boldt noted the group home is currently housing all adults. Cpt. Boldt believes they are up for recertification in February.

**Agenda Item 2.** Jason Carbee, Senior Transportation Planner with HDR, Inc., and Jim Boerner, Metropolitan Area Planning Agency Planner (MAPA), presented the Western Sarpy Transportation Enhancement Plan (WE-SETP). Carbee reported that a year and a half went into preparing the plan. They reached out to Gretna, Springfield, Papillion and Sarpy County for input on how best to service all the communities with their future transportation needs from what is known from today’s growth in the area. Carbee showed how the arterial connections would leave room for upgrades as the growth takes place to keep the traffic flowing smooth for years to come.

**Agenda Item 3.** Motion by Murtha, seconded by Herzog, to approve the quote from H & H Chevrolet in the amount of \$45,229.00 for the purchase of a 2024 Chevrolet 1500 Silverado and to keep the 2010 GMC 1500 in the fleet for use by seasonal personnel. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item 4.** Motion by Murtha, seconded by Herzog, to move agenda item 4, regarding Ember Davis’s six-month review and proposed merit increase, into executive session. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**Department Reports**

**Agenda Item 1.** Neitzel reported that city staff is working to upgrade the water billing software.

**Agenda Item 2.** Herzog reported that the community building has been busy. The library had a great turnout for their Noon Year's Eve Party with a balloon drop and crafts. They continue to be busy with their winter programs.

**Agenda Item 3.** Murtha reported that holiday decorations would be taken down soon.

**Agenda Item 4.** Craney reported that the maintenance department was prepared for snow.

**Agenda Item 5.** Mayor Roseland reported that the United Cities of Sarpy County recently met with Senator-Elect Anderson and Senator-Elect Rountree to discuss community needs.

**Agenda Item 6.** Gottsch reported that the legislative session begins tomorrow, she will keep everyone updated throughout the session. A few items of interest to the city will be the transparency of sales tax dollars and budget changes.

### **Open Forum**

Tom Welsh, 15604 S. 168<sup>th</sup> Street, Springfield, inquired with Gottsch about sewer service phasing.

### **Executive Session**

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to enter into executive session at 7:31 p.m. for the purpose of personnel discussion. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to leave executive session at 7:43 p.m. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Murtha, seconded by Craney, to approve a 4% merit increase to Ember Davis, Executive Assistant, for her six-month review. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to adjourn. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m. Motion carried.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Springfield, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on January 7, 2025; 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 agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; 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; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Barbara Henninger  
City Clerk

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Robert Roseland, Mayor

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Date

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