

PLATTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

August 17, 2026

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 7:00 o'clock p.m. on August 17, 2026 at Plattsmouth City Hall in Plattsmouth Nebraska. Present were Mayor R. Paul Lambert and Council Members: Jeanie Brookhouser, Bryan Clark, James Forrest, Howard "Sam" Hardy, Terry Kerns, Morgan Muller, Steve Riese and Frederick Rollins. Absent Members: None. Also present: City Administrator Emily Bausch, City Attorney Damien Wright, City Clerk Sandra J. Meyer, and Deputy City Clerk Ryan Vulgamott.

This is a regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Plattsmouth. Notice of meeting was published on August 6, 2026 in the Omaha World Herald. Proof of publication along with the Mayor and Council's Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice are on file. The Open Meetings Act is posted on the bulletin board in the City Council Chambers. A copy of the agenda and all documents to be discussed is available to the public. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. We will follow the agenda that was made available to the public. Please silence cell phones.

ITEM 5 CITIZENS DELEGATION

No one spoke during Citizens Delegation.

At 7:03 p.m. Howard "Sam" Hardy joined the meeting.

ITEM 6 MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

Emily Bausch, City Administrator, and Mayor Lambert recognized Sandra J. Meyer for her 22 years of service to the City of Plattsmouth as the City Clerk. Emily thanked Sandy for being a mentor and true friend. Noting that one of the Clerk's responsibilities is maintaining records of City keys issued to employees, Emily presented Sandy with a commemorative box filled with miscellaneous "Keys to the City" to symbolize unlocking the new adventures awaiting her in retirement. Mayor Lambert also presented Sandy with a Proclamation and an official "Key to the City" recognizing her dedication, service, and lasting contributions to the City of Plattsmouth.

ITEM 7 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Brookhouser seconded by Hardy to approve the Consent Agenda with the changes to the First State Bank-Payback WWTP SRF Loan presented at the meeting.

- A Consider approval of the August 3, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes
- B Consider approval of the August 11, 2026 City Council Budget Workshop Special Meeting Minutes
- C Consider setting the next regular City Council meeting for Tuesday September 8, 2026 due to the Labor Day Holiday

- D Consider approval of the appointment of the following proposed new volunteer member(s) to the Plattsmouth EMS Department: Kristyanna Dibbles and the addition of his/her/their name(s) to the Emergency Medical Services Department Roster
- E Consider approval of Change Order No. 16 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Hawkins Construction Company which includes one (1) item for a total increase of \$21,272.00 and a contract time extension for the New Wastewater Treatment Plant Contract 2 (2019 Flood Recovery Project PW#88688-Relocated Wastewater Treatment Plant) and authorize the Mayor to execute Change Order No. 16
- F Consider approval of Change Order No. 17 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Hawkins Construction Company which includes one (1) item for a total increase of \$31,646.00 for the New Wastewater Treatment Plant Contract 2 (2019 Flood Recovery Project PW#88688-Relocated Wastewater Treatment Plant) and authorize the Mayor to execute Change Order No. 17
- G Consider Contractor's Application for Payment No. 32 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Hawkins Construction Company in the amount of \$621,246.63 for work completed from April 1, 2026 to July 31, 2026 for the New Wastewater Treatment Plant Contract 2 (2019 Flood Recovery Project PW#88688-Relocated Wastewater Treatment Plant) and authorize the Mayor to execute Contractor's Application for Payment No. 32
- H Consider approval of Change Order No. 6 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Valley Corporation which includes five (5) items for a total increase of \$57,793.18 for the Plattsmouth Water Supply Contract W3 – Water Transmission Main (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project) and authorize the Mayor to execute Change Order No. 6
- I Consider Contractor's Application for Payment No. 14 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Valley Corporation in the amount of \$269,284.88 for work completed from July 1 to July 31, 2026 for the Plattsmouth Water Supply Contract W3 – Water Transmission Main (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project) and authorize the Mayor to execute Contractor's Application for Payment No. 14
- J Receive Treasurer's Report
- K Consider approval of claims

Claims Register Report as of 8/17/26

Pay Date: 8/7/26 194837.69

Cemetery 6458.15

Com Ctr 32169.22

EMS 29911.31
General 23933.08
Library 11502.95
Parks 4158
Police 55332.56
Senior Center 3587.87
Street 12035.27
Water and Sewer 15749.28

Vendor Name

ACCREDITED COLLECTION SERVICE 232.15
AMERITAS 20744.32
FIRST STATE BANK NEBRASKA 731.56
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE 195
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE 44236.29
NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER 225.7
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE 5622.07
PLATTSMOUTH COMMUNITY CENTER 1943.37

Department : 01 - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

AMAZON.COM SALES INC 46.14
BELLINO FIREWORKS INC 1000
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 120.77
HOMETOWN 1000
IRINA A HARRINGTON 75
JENIKA MULLINS 1000
KA BOOMER ENTERPRISES INC 1000
KATHRYN SHARP 375
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS 75
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 568.46
OMAHA WORLD HERALD 1070.92
OXEN TECHNOLOGY 3585.18
RICHARD A COMI 800
STERICYCLE SHRED IT 79.82
T&B ENTERPRISES INC 42
THE PITNEY BOWES BANK INC 1517.25
TWISTED THUNDER FIREWORKS LLC 1000
UNIFIRST CORPORATION 121.9
VERIZON WIRELESS 79.86
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 320.69
WILD WILLY'S FIREWORKS LLC 1000

Department : 02 - HUMANE/CODE ENFORCEMENT

NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 74.58
PETTY CASH POLICE 10
VERIZON WIRELESS 79.94

Department : 03 - EMS

AMAZON.COM SALES INC 159
AMY TEGELS 75
ANTHONY MORENO 100
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 31.42
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC 560.74
CHARTER BUSINESS 29.59
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 396
NIPPON SANJO MATHESON INC 180.6
ROLLINS INC 48.59
T&B ENTERPRISES INC 34.5
UNIFIRST CORPORATION 23.58
VERIZON WIRELESS 111.74
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 54.42
WEX HEALTH INC 8.75

Department : 04 - POLICE

AMAZON.COM SALES INC 349.33
CASS COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS 10
CASS COUNTY SHERIFF 3615
DIGITAL ALLY INC 7070
JACKS UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT 191.89
JONES AUTOMOTIVE INC 13976.87
LEGENDS DETAILING LLC 220
POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF NE 264
ROCK BLUFF RESTORATION LLC 187.2
VERIZON WIRELESS 321.39
WEX HEALTH INC 26.25

Department : 05 - STREET

BLACK HILLS ENERGY 82.25
INDEPENDENT AUTO REPAIR 154.38
MULLENAX AUTO SUPPLY 69.57
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 6018.96
OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC 691.06
SHERWIN WILLIAMS 453.23
VERIZON WIRELESS 79.86
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 445.51

Department : 06 - LIBRARY

AMAZON.COM SALES INC 968.97
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 48.82
CHARTER BUSINESS 75
GALE/CENGAGE LEARNING 391.2
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES LLC 1743.64
LIBRARY IDEAS LLC 1359.9
NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION 495.98
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 600.4
OXEN TECHNOLOGY 359.6

RED BRICK RESOURCES 726.49
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 54.41
WEX HEALTH INC 8.75
WINDSTREAM 187.16

Department : 07 - PARKS
AGRIVISION EQUIPMENT GROUP LLC 375.12
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 48.82
MULLENAX AUTO SUPPLY 20.68
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 239.05
VERIZON WIRELESS 39.93

Department : 08 - CEMETERY
AMAZON.COM SALES INC 23.99
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 48.82
JESSE CLARK 36.98
MULLENAX AUTO SUPPLY 12.99
OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC 23.79
UNIFIRST CORPORATION 104.02
VERIZON WIRELESS 39.93
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 111.72
WEX HEALTH INC 8.75
WINDSTREAM 228.99

Department : 10 - FIRE
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 31.43
CHARTER BUSINESS 29.6
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 396
ROLLINS INC 48.58
T&B ENTERPRISES INC 34.5
UNIFIRST CORPORATION 23.58
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 54.42

Department : 11 - SENIOR CITIZEN CTR
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 18.3
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 372.49
OFFICE DEPOT INC 76.89
PERFORMANCE FOOD GROUP INC 5255.77
UNIFIRST CORPORATION 24.18
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 86.81

Department : 17 - COMMUNITY CENTER
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 164.69
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 3352.43
OFFICE DEPOT INC 47.75
UNIFIRST CORPORATION 105.15
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 260.44
WESLEY KEEHN 57.89

Department : 18 - AQUATIC
AQUA CHEM INC 439
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 916.76
BROOKE LEMKE 25
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 2478.11
PERFORMANCE FOOD GROUP INC 152.41
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 186

Department : 20 - WATER
ACCESS TECHNOLOGIES INC 72.41
AMAZON.COM SALES INC 97.99
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 48.82
FIBER PLATFORM LLC 1249.5
JAY GLASER 127
MENARDS 228.05
MIDWEST LABORATORIES INC 434.52
MISSISSIPPI LIME COMPANY 11450.16
MULLENAX AUTO SUPPLY 51.48
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 99.41
ONE CALL CONCEPTS INC 77.81
OXEN TECHNOLOGY 647.46
PETTY CASH WATER DEPARTMENT 818.63
SARGENT DRILLING 2883.59
UTILITIES SECTION LEAGUE OF NEB MUNICIPALITIES 1119
VERIZON WIRELESS 139.81
WEX HEALTH INC 17.5

Department : 24 - DRUG FORFEITURE
H & H SALES INC 400
VERIZON WIRELESS 37.98

Department : 30 - SEWER
ACCESS TECHNOLOGIES INC 72.42
AMAZON.COM SALES INC 97.99
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 209.32
CORE & MAIN LP 379.12
FIBER PLATFORM LLC 1249.5
FIRST STATE BANK 14500022 (change to claims 16000022 split into two separate amounts)
FIRST STATE BANK 1500022 (change to claims 16000022 split into two separate amounts)
JAY GLASER 127
MIDWEST LABORATORIES INC 705.17
MULLENAX AUTO SUPPLY 8.9
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT 15.56
ONE CALL CONCEPTS INC 77.81
OXEN TECHNOLOGY 2329.74
UTILITIES SECTION LEAGUE OF NEB MUNICIPALITIES 1119
VERIZON WIRELESS 100.05

WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC 304.45
WINDSTREAM 51.94

ROLL CALL: Yes-Kerns, Rollins, Muller, Riese, Forrest, Clark, Brookhouser, and Hardy. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ITEM 8 A

Council member Kerns stated he would be abstaining from any discussion or action on ITEM 8 A and ITEM 8 B due to a conflict of interest.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Brookhouser to approve Contractor's Application for Payment No. 13 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Building Crafts Inc. in the amount of \$139,745.00 for work completed from July 1, 2026 to August 1, 2026 for the Plattsmouth Water Supply Contract W2 – Water Booster Station (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project) and authorize the Mayor to execute Contractor's Application for Payment No. 13. ROLL CALL: Yes-Forrest, Clark, Brookhouser, Hardy, Rollins, Muller, and Riese. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-Kerns. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 B

Motion by Muller seconded by Forrest to approve Contractor's Application for Payment No. 1 submitted by Olsson on behalf of Kerns Excavating Co. in the amount of \$97,662.15 for the RV Park and Campground Project (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery Project #101799 – Alternate Projects) and authorize the Mayor to execute Contractor's Application for Payment No. 1. ROLL CALL: Yes-Rollins, Muller, Riese, Clark, Brookhouser, Hardy, and Forrest. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-Kerns. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 C

Nate Taylor, Public Works Director, and Emily Bausch, City Administrator, discussed the City's Civil Defense Sirens and the maintenance agreement with Blue Valley. This contract will provide the City with consistent service from a provider that specializes in civil defense sirens. Nate mentioned Blue Valley recommends the City start budgeting replacement of the older sirens as parts are no longer made and are getting harder to find. Emily noted that newer sirens have larger coverage areas and as the older models get replaced the City may need fewer sirens to maintain the coverage area. The siren on Ave B is already scheduled for replacement and will increase coverage in that area. Despite other modern alert systems, the community likes the reassurance of civil defense sirens as an outdoor warning system. Motion by Kerns seconded by Riese to authorize the renewal of the Civil Defense Siren Maintenance Agreement from 10/1/2026 to 9/30/2027 with Blue Valley Public Safety, from Grain Valley, MO, in the amount of \$3,196.50 and authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement. ROLL CALL: Yes-Clark, Brookhouser, Hardy, Forrest, Muller, Riese, Kerns, and Rollins. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 D

Motion by Forrest seconded by Riese to authorize a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Unified Citywide Trash Hauling Services and authorize City Staff to review proposals and bring recommendation back to Council. ROLL CALL: Yes-Muller, Riese, Kerns, Rollins, Brookhouser, Hardy, Forrest, and Clark. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITM 9 NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 9 A

Daniel Gregory, NPPD Retail Account Manager, discussed the NPPD Energy Report, the two phase Princeton Road Station project, and the City's PRO agreement. Dan highlighted NPPD's diversity of energy production and how the Cooper Nuclear Station covers over 40% of customer load demands. NPPD has been able to keep rates steady for almost two decades, in the past thirteen years NPPD rates only increased a total of 13.6%, far below other regional energy suppliers. Dan shared the timeline of the phased construction of the new Princeton Road Station and how this new station will add 1411 MW to the existing fleet and help meet increasing load demands. Rates are projected to increase by 8% next year due to increased load, supply cost increases, and new construction. Following discussion, Motion by Forrest seconded by Hardy to increase the City of Plattsmouth lease payment from NPPD by one-half percent (0.5%), increasing the percentage amount from 12.5% to 13% effective December 1, 2026 (PRO Agreement approved 10/7/2024, 1st increase approved 8/18/2025). ROLL CALL: Yes-Brookhouser, Hardy, Forrest, Clark, Riese, Kerns, Rollins, and Muller. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 9 B

Council member Forrest introduced an ordinance numbered and titled as follows: **ORDINANCE NO. 2046: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA TO ESTABLISH WAGES, SALARIES AND BENEFITS FOR NON-UNION CITY EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS AUGUST 17, 2026; TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 2045 AND ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** Steve Rathman, Plattsmouth Police Chief, stated he is creating the Law Enforcement Records Supervisor job description while keeping the Police Records Clerk job description. There is no intent to hire another employee, by keeping both job descriptions the assigned officer can transition between the two jobs if the Interlocal Agreement expires. Chief Rathman highlighted the advantages of unified records keeping and the savings to taxpayers by consolidating County and City resources. Motion by Forrest seconded by Kerns to approve first reading of ORDINANCE NO. 2046 by title only. ROLL CALL: Yes-Riese, Kerns, Rollins, Muller, Hardy, Forrest, Clark, and Brookhouser. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED. Damien Wright, City Attorney, read ORDINANCE NO. 2046 into the record by title only.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Muller to suspend the statutory rule that ORDINANCE NO. 2046 be read on three different days and to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 2046 on final reading by title only. ROLL CALL: Yes-Hardy, Forrest, Clark, Brookhouser, Kerns, Rollins, Muller, and Riese. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED. Damien Wright, City Attorney, read ORDINANCE NO. 2046 into the record by title only.

ITEM 9 C

Motion by Hardy to approve the Mayor's recommendation to appointment Ryan Vulgamott as City Clerk effective September 8, 2026. Emily Bausch, City Administrator, reminded Council that Sandy's last day is September 4, 2026 and suggested amending the motion to make the appointment effective September 5, 2026, instead of September 8, 2026, to ensure there is no gap in authorized signers for paying bills. Hardy withdrew his original motion. Motion by Hardy seconded by Riese to approve the Mayor's recommendation to appointment Ryan Vulgamott as City Clerk effective September 5, 2026. ROLL CALL: Yes-Kerns, Rollins, Muller, Riese, Forrest, Clark, Brookhouser, and Hardy. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 9 D

Motion by Brookhouser seconded by Hardy to approve Mayor R. Paul Lambert and Ryan Vulgamott as authorized signers on all City bank and financial accounts, effective immediately. ROLL CALL: Yes-Forrest, Clark, Brookhouser, Hardy, Rollins, Muller, Riese, and Kerns. No-None. Absent-None. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 12

At 8:10 p.m. Motion by Brookhouser seconded by Clark to adjourn. Hearing no objections, the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

R. Paul Lambert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ryan Vulgamott, City Clerk