

AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2009
(Immediately Following Directors' Meeting)
COUNTY/CITY BUILDING
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

I. MINUTES

1. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of March 2, 2009.
2. Minutes from City Council Organizational Meeting of March 2, 2009.
3. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - RE: Outcomes & Indicators - February 23, 2009.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES -

1. Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission Meeting (Camp)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

1. Vote for nomination to Library Board.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS - None

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS -

1. Lincoln Chamber of Commerce 'Business After Hours' on Thursday, March 26, 2009 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Embassy Suites Hotel, 11th & "P" Streets - Cost: \$10/person - RSVP by March 24th by e-mail - (See Invitation)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2009**

Present: Robin Eschliman, Chair
Doug Emery, Vice Chair
Jon Camp
Jonathan Cook
John Spatz
Ken Svoboda
Dan Marvin

Others: Judge John Hendry, City Attorney
Rick Hoppe, Aide to the Mayor
Denise Pearce, Aide to the Mayor

Chair Eschliman opened the meeting at 12:10 a.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I. MINUTES

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- The above minutes approved by acclamation.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, CONFERENCES

1. Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission Meeting Camp

Camp stated they discussed standards, and the charter. Eschliman asked if any counties, or municipalities, do not attend the meetings, do not like the design standards, or is everyone on board? Svoboda replied some may be in a more defensive mood, but everyone is on board making sure this happens and that they all benefit.

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

1. Library Board Nomination Vote

Svoboda made motion to nominate Kathy McKillip, Marvin seconded.

Vote taken: Emery, Camp, Cook, Spatz, Svoboda and Marvin voted aye. Eschliman voted nay.

Pearce stated she would prepare the paperwork for first reading next week. Asked if anyone would like to have the candidate in attendance at the hearing? Response being it would not be necessary.

Legislative Bills

Pearce stated amendment one, implementing legislation affecting the Community Health Endowment, is out of committee. Today is the Motor Vehicle bill. We purchase our vehicles through licensed Nebraska dealers and this would create an exception for speciality vehicles, like fire trucks. Wednesday is the Red Light bill and Thursday is the Cigarette Tax bill. This bill was in the budget

for last year, with an amendment which basically would have prohibited us from refinancing our Antelope Valley bonds, financed by the cigarette tax, if we chose to do so.

Eschliman stated for the possible success of the Red Light bill Council probably needs to lobby Senator Fulton. Pearce replied he has heard from a lot of constituents and this may take more than a year. Pearce added Traffic Camera has been suggested as a name for the Red Light bill.

Spatz asked if a position was taken on the NADC bill? Pearce replied they testified in favor of and it would allow public officials a little more leeway in what they can do when it comes to ballot questions. A lot of time they're talking about technical issues, with people going to the government, city officials, to get information. Now city officials can only provide information, cannot cross the line to advocacy. The bill also addresses some concerns on a decision the NADC Commission issued on the use of public resources. The case in question was with an email sent after hours, on a personal computer, which went through a city server, unbeknown to the Senator and resulted in a \$1,000 fine. This legislation creates a diminished exception when talking about the use of public resources.

Pearce added on the Council Minutes bill, still working on following up with the bill still in committee.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - None

V. MISCELLANEOUS - None

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Cook	No comments
Spatz	No comments
Camp	No comments
Eschliman	stated next week regarding Outcomes what is the thought of writing down changes which could be shared with other Council members? Hoppe added there is a meeting today where we will discuss format, and will send an email with suggestions. Will take this idea into account.
Svoboda	No comments
Marvin	No comments
Emery	No comments

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

See invitation list.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Eschliman adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.