

## **MINUTES OF THE BEATRICE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

A work session of the Beatrice City Council was held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011 at the Sargent Room, Beatrice Public Library, 100 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

Attending: Mayor Schuster, Council Members: Carey, Catlin, Fetty, Langdale, Moore, Parde, and Schmale. Also present City Administrator Neal Niedfeldt and City Attorney Tobias Tempelmeyer.

Absent: Councilman Tiemann.

Mayor Schuster announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located in the meeting room and is accessible to members of the public.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approve agenda as submitted.
- b. Receive and place on file all notices pertaining to this meeting.
- c. Receive and place on file all materials having any bearing on this meeting.

Moved by Fetty, seconded by Langdale that the items listed under the consent agenda be approved, accepted and/or ratified as presented.

Roll Call: Yea: Carey, Catlin, Fetty, Langdale, Moore, Parde, Schmale  
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **Library Foundation – Vision of the Library**

Dale Kruse, Betty Cook, and Laureen Riedesel presented to the City Council on behalf of the Library Foundation. The Library Foundation has conducted various surveys and focus groups over the past several months and have identified six (6) areas of interest and concern. At this time the Foundation desires to request proposals for an architect and form a Selection Committee to hire an architect. The Foundation would pay the cost of the architect and wanted Council approval before proceeding. Discussion ensued regarding the future needs or visions of the Library and the challenge faced by the Library by the rapidly changing technology. Discussion also was had regarding the money that was available to the Library Foundation from the Hevelone and Vette Estates. There was then discussion regarding the Foundation not needing Council permission to hire an architect at this point, but the Foundation will need Council approval before making any changes to the Library. The Library Foundation will proceed with requesting proposals from architects and the Mayor will appoint two (2) City Council Members to the Selection Committee.

