Pursuant to notice published in the Cambridge Clarion Thursday June 1, 2018 and posted in the Cambridge City Office, the Cambridge City Council met for regular meeting convening at 6:30 P.M. Present were Mayor Mark Harpst, City Council Members Tom McCarville, Keith Luedders, Jeff Ommert, Tony Groshong and Vernita Saylor. Absent was City Council Member Derek Raburn. City Staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Kandra Kinne and Utility Supervisor David Houghtelling. Present for all or a portion of the meeting were Jolene Miller for the Cambridge Clarion; Derek Downer for the Cambridge Chamber of Commerce; and Kevin and Sabrina Nielsen for the Cambridge Super Market. Mayor Harpst opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Harpst announced the open meeting law is posted on the east wall of the meeting room and available for public inspection.

**Cambridge Super Market Liquor License Hearing – Class D License.** Mayor Harpst opened the public hearing at 6:30 P.M., at the request of the Cambridge Super Market, for a Liquor License application. Sabrina and Kevin Nielsen were present to speak in support of the application. Kevin said they will have coolers and may consider staying open later in the summer. They have had request from visitors who stay at the Cambridge Lake. There were no public comment in opposition to the application. Mayor Harpst closed the public hearing at 6:35 P.M. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approve the liquor license application of Sabrina and Kevin Nielsen for a Class D Liquor License. On roll call vote Tom McCarville, Keith Luedders, Jeff Ommert, Tony Groshong and Vernita Saylor voted yes, none voted no and Derek Raburn was absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council Members present.

**Interim City Attorney.** The City Council received 4 proposals for Interim City Attorney. The City Council noted the position is temporary until Tom Patterson is able to return. The City Council reviewed the proposals and discussed experience as City Attorney, location of office and fees. After discussion the Keith Luedders stated the motion, seconded by Tom McCarville to hire Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion, P.C., L.L.O. Law Firm. On roll call vote Keith Luedders, Jeff Ommert, Tony Groshong, Vernita Saylor and Tom McCarville voted yes, none voted no and Derek Raburn was absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council Members present.

**Chamber Fireworks Donation for Medicine Creek Days.** Derek Downer was present to request a donation for fireworks for the Medicine Creek Days Celebration. Derek explained the fireworks display will be held about 10:00 P.M. on Friday June 15th. They are using the same display operator from Colorado as they have used in the past. The cost is $4,200 plus hotel rooms for two nights. They do have a display permit. The fireworks are electronically fired and is a safe alternative. Tony Groshong stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert to donate $1,000 to the Cambridge Chamber of Commerce for the Medicine Creek Days fireworks display. On roll call vote Jeff Ommert, Tony Groshong, Vernita Saylor, Tom McCarville and Keith Luedders voted yes, none voted no, and Derek Raburn was absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council Members present.
**Miller and Associates Reports.** The Swimming Pool Committee has met and will meet again with the engineer. The Committee is discussing fund raising, funding options, and debt. The Committee has looked at the needed upgrades and amenities to replace the high dive and enhance the baby pool. The City Council would like to meet with the committee when the project is ready to move forward.

**Economic Development Report.** The Citizen Advisory Committee will meet Thursday June 7 at 5:00 P.M. to review the plan. The City Council will hold a public hearing on June 18th. Mark reported the Economic Development Board will conduct interviews for the Economic Development Director Position on June 12th.

**Utility Supervisor Report.** Dave Houghtelling reported staff are working on needs for Medicine Creek Days. Figgins Construction finished armor coating streets today. The City Council asked if there is an update on the Dollar General project.

**City Clerk/Treasurer Report.** Kandra prepared a written report. Kandra discussed using the Nebraska.Gov pay port to accept credit and debit cards. The City Council approved option 2 for the over the counter swipe devices and recommended that Kandra proceed with the project. Kandra discussed Assistant Manager Salaries at the pool and noted Brodie Besler’s payroll is .60 per hour under the other Assistant Managers Pay scale. The Council approved the increase.

Mayor Harpst reported West Central Nebraska Development District has contacted the City about the trailer house at 412 Neville Street. The property owner has not made all the repairs that were required. The City Council recommended using the five day notice to notify the property owner of the nuisance.

**Consent Agenda Minutes of May 21, 2018 and the claims report.** Tony Groshong stated the motion, seconded by Tom McCarville, to approve the minutes of May 21, 2018 and the claims report. On roll call vote Tony Groshong, Vernita Saylor, Tom McCarville, Keith Luedders and Jeff Ommert voted yes, none voted no and Derek Raburn was absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council Members present for the minutes of May 21, 2018 and the following claims:

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**Adjournment.** The next regular meeting is Monday June 18, 2018. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to adjourn at 7:45 P.M. On roll call vote Vernita Saylor, Tom McCarville, Keith Luedders, Jeff Ommert and Tony Groshong voted yes, none voted no, and Derek Raburn was absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council Members present.

Attest:  

Kandra J. Kinne, City Clerk/Treasurer                               Mark Harpst, Mayor