NICKERSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 20, 2025, 5:30 PM Nickerson City Hall 15 N Nickerson Street

Pledge of Allegiance

Council and audience stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order

Mayor Ruebke called the Monday, October 20, 2025, council meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT - Willhaus, Richard, Daily, Berridge, Gilbert ABSENT - Murphy

Consent Agenda

- a) Meeting Minutes
- b) Special Meeting Minutes
- c) Agenda
- d) Payables

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Richard and Council Member Berridge to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed by the following vote: YES - Berridge, Richard, Willhaus, Gilbert NO – None ABSTAIN - Daily

- City Attorney each item limited to 15 minutes Nothing to report
- Public Comments limited to 5 minutes None

Chamber members were present to request road closures for Trunk or Treat. Motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Willhaus to close Nickerson Street from Railroad Avenue to Avenue B on October 25, 2025, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. Motion passed by the following vote: YES – Richard, Berridge, Daily, Willhaus, Gilbert NO – None

Chamber also requested assistance finding somewhere besides the old wastewater treatment facility to store the snowflakes and Klear Nearly Days items. No decisions were made.

Old Business - each item limited to 15 minutes

1. Executive Session

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Richard and Council Member Willhaus to recess into executive session regarding the city clerk position, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel; to include the city attorney; with the open meeting to resume at 5:47 p.m. in the city council chambers. Motion passed by the following vote: YES – Willhaus, Berridge, Daily, Richard, Murphy, Gilbert NO – None

New Business - each item limited to 15 minutes

1. Food Truck Vendors

City Attorney Tremain discussed options for the food truck vendor ordinance. Council gave directions on how they would like to see the ordinance. No decisions were made. Attorney Tremain will bring a working ordinance to the next meeting for further discussion or adoption.

2. Berridge IGA Cereal Malt Beverage License Renewal

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Daily and Council Member Richard to renew Berridge IGA cereal malt beverage license. Motion passed by the following vote: YES – Willhaus, Gilbert, Richard, Daily NO – None ABSTAIN – Berridge

3. Imagine IT Firewall Renewal

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Gilbert and Council Member Richard to renew the firewall for 3 years for \$3215.95. Motion passed by the following vote: YES – Daily, Willhaus, Gilbert, Richard, Berridge NO – None

4. Crack Seal Bid Award

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Daily and Council Member Willhaus to award the crack seal project to the lowest bidder, Circle C in the amount of \$71,000.00. Motion passed by the following vote: YES – Berridge, Daily, Willhaus, Gilbert, Richard NO - None

Officer's Report - each limited to 5 minutes

Berridge

Thanked Peggy, April, and Mark for their work. Thanked Council for renewing his cereal malt beverage license and the maintenance crew for the good work they did on the alley between Nickerson Street and Peabody.

Richard

Thanked all the staff for the work they've been doing. Questioned when the next section of sidewalk would be replaced. Josh explained that the next section would be down by the mud volleyball pits and is scheduled to start in the next few weeks.

Daily

Asked if the rough parts of North Paine and Nickerson Road could be repaired with cold asphalt. Josh will look into it. Questioned the progress on Nickerson Street and Thompson. Mayor Ruebke explained she is still working with APAC to find a solution.

Willhaus

Informed council that the cemetery had been moved twice since the last meeting.

Administration

Clerk Beshears questioned for clarification that council wanted maintenance to price new Ford F250 pickup trucks and schedule a special meeting if one is found. Council agreed.

Mayor

Discussed briefly the things she learned at the League Conference and will bring more to council later. She is working with Todd at Emergency Management to make sure the city has plans and documents in place should we experience an emergency event. Reported that the "Love Where You Live" surveys went well.

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Willhaus to adjourn at 6:19 pm. Motion passed by a show of hands.