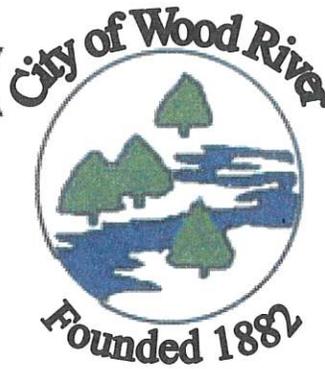


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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AGENDA

2025 March 4

TIME: 7:00 PM

BILL READERS: NIELSEN & RODRIGUEZ  
PUBLIC NOTICE: (FOLLOWING PAGES)

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

**II. ROLL CALL:**

**III. RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Mayor led the Council Members and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Cramer advised the public body of the Open Meetings Act that is posted in the meeting room and entry hall.

**IV. CITY COUNCIL OF WOOD RIVER DECLARATION OF OPEN MEETINGS ACT:**

The City of Wood River abides by the open meetings act in conducting business. A copy of the open meetings act is displayed around the board room and in the hall as required by state law. The City Council may vote to go into closed session on any agenda item as allowed by state law.

**V. CITIZENS WITH BUSINESS NOT SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA.**

(Comments may have a limitation of 15 minutes per topic. The purpose of the public comment is for the presentation of an item to the City Council that is not on the agenda) (As required by State Law, no matter may be considered under this item unless Council determines that the matter requires emergency action.)

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA:**

(All items listed under consent agenda, are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen requests it, in which case the item will be removed and will be considered after completion of the consent agenda.)

VI. Regular Meeting Minutes: February 18, 2025

Pages 1-2

VI. Disbursements \$123,738.03

Pages 3-4

VI. Checks not on the list \$65,575.07

VI. Automatic payments

1. Sunlife Financial \$148.58



2. Blue Cross Blue Shield \$6,277.08
3. Lincoln Financial Group \$548.00
4. Redwing Software \$15.00
5. Ameritas \$70.56
6. Clearly \$364.60

**VII. UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ACTION ITEMS**  
(City Council may vote to go into **CLOSED SESSION** on any agenda item as allowed by State Law.)

1. SHERIFF'S report for the month of February 2025. Handout
  
2. JENIE MALONEY discuss/approve new Fire Department member.
  
3. ASHLEY MANNING discuss/approve 2025 lawn service bids. Handout
  
4. MAYOR CRAMER discuss Legacy Station update.
  
5. MAYOR CRAMER discuss/approve payment to W Design (Invoice HE25-0484) in the amount of \$4,586.06 for 2024 engineering services. Page 5
  
6. MAYOR CRAMER discuss/approve payment to JEO (Invoice 158748) in the amount of \$7,455.00 for work completed on the 2023 Electric System Improvement project. Page 6

7. MAYOR CRAMER discuss employee policies and procedures.

**VIII. COUNCIL REMARKS:**

**IX. MAYOR'S REMARKS:**

**X. DEPARTMENT'S REMARKS:**

**XI. NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS SCHEDULES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

March 18

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April 8

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April 22

**Official  
City Council Minutes  
City of Wood River, Nebraska  
Regular Meeting  
February 18, 2025**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Wood River, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 108 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St, on February 18, 2025. Notice of the time and place of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publicized notice on February 12, 2025 in the Clipper and the Grand Island Independent. An agenda for the meeting, was kept continuously current, and was made available for public inspection on the City's website (woodriverne.com).

Mayor Greg Cramer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Council Present:** Nielsen, Rennau, Rotter, Mayhew, Rodriguez.  
**City Officials Present:** Ashley Manning, City Clerk; Steve Wolford, Street Superintendent.  
**Public Present:** Matt Maloney, Jenie Maloney; Emmalee Eckert; Todd King (7:06).  
The Mayor led the Council Members and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Cramer advised the public body of the Open Meetings Act that is posted in the meeting room and entry hall.

Items on the consent agenda for approval were:  
February 4, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes.  
Disbursements reviewed this month by: **Rotter & Mayhew**  
Disbursements totaling: **\$22,945.57**  
Checks not on list: **\$9,082.69**  
Payroll: **\$36,644.10**  
Payroll Tax: **\$8,065.92**  
Retirement: **\$2,529.36**

**Public Comment:** None.

Nielsen made the motion to approve items on the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Rodriguez. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Emmalee Eckert was present to request Council's permission to use the City Park by the Library two Saturday's per month during the summer for a Farmer's Market. Emmalee provided Council with a list of proposed dates from June to October and plans to use the park from 9:00 to 12:00 on those dates. Mayhew motioned to approve use of the park as well as blocking off the street as needed to accommodate the Farmer's Market this summer. Motion seconded by Nielsen. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Steve Wolford presented plans and spec book for the Legacy Station Street project. He intends to advertise for bids to be due on March 12. Rennau motioned to approve proposed plans and to advertise for Legacy Station Street Project bids. Motion seconded by Rotter. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Nielsen motioned to approve Power Purchase contract between SPPD and the City of Wood River. Motion seconded by Rotter. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Nielsen motioned to approve Transmission Service Agreement with NPPD, SPPD, and the City of Wood River. Motion seconded by Rotter. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Mayor Cramer offered an update on the Legacy Station project stating that he is still waiting to receive updated plans from JEO.

Quotes were received for repairing/replacing heating system at the Fire Station. Todd King explained that the wiring of the new generator seems to have fried both compressors for the heat systems. Mayhew motioned to approve quote received from Jerry's Heating & Cooling for \$7,385.00 to replace the 2 compressors. Motion seconded by Nielsen. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Nielsen motioned to approve pay application # 1 from Van Kirk Bros. Contracting in the amount of \$62,460.00 for work completed on the Babel's Water/Sewer Extension project. Motion seconded by Rotter. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Rodriguez motioned to approve payment to JEO in the amount of \$2,436.25 (Invoice 157954) for general engineering services. Motion seconded by Nielsen. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Mayhew motioned to approve payment to JEO in the amount of \$430.00 (Invoice 157955) for work completed on the 2023 Electric System Improvement project. Motion seconded by Rennau. Motion carried 5/0. Thompson absent.

Discussion on Employee Policies and Procedures will be held at next meeting.

Ashley Manning presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2025.

**Department Remarks:**

Todd King: (1) Fire Department is getting a 2015 grass rig from the Forestry Service – Federal Surplus truck. Department only has to pay the cost of shipping and batteries. Plans to use donation money to cover costs. (2) Would like to look into grant money to provide alarms to all downtown buildings.

**Council Remarks:**

Mayhew: Asked why City waited until Tuesday for snow removal. Cramer answered that they decided to wait until no one was driving around and began plowing streets at 3am.

**Mayor Remarks:**

None.

As there was no further business to come before this session of the Council, Council member Nielsen made the motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion seconded by Rennau.

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Greg Cramer, Mayor

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Ashley Manning, City Clerk

CLAIMS

ABBREVIATIONS USED: RP=REPAIRS, SU=SUPPLIES,  
SE=SERVICES, IT=INS/TAXES/RETRM, RE=REIMBURSEMENTS  
UE=UTIL. EXPENSES, DM=DUES/MEMBERSHIPS/FEES, SP=SALARIES  
PAID, ER=ELECTRICAL REBATE, MI=MISCELLANEOUS, OE=OPERATING  
EXPENSES, CD=CD'S PURCHASED

**General Fund**

HOMETOWN LEASING	SE	94.42
EAKES	SE	761.47
WOOD RIVER SCHOOLS	DM	910.00
JOURNAL STAR	SE	38.40
CAPITAL	SE	454.84

**Street Fund**

GRAINGER	RP	194.93
MURPHY	RP	150.00
TITAN	SU	132.50
WATTS WELDING	RP	812.63

**Sewer Fund**

PLATTE VALLEY LABS	SE	197.50
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**Fire Fund**

CPI	SU	1430.00
MACQUEEN	SU	1725.98
INTEGRATED SECURITY SOLUTI SE		375.00

**Electric Fund**

ONE CALL CONCEPTS	SE	20.89
WESCO	SU	180.00
JELINEK ACE HARDWARE	SU	47.09
DUTTON-LAINSON	SU	11246.00
SPPD	UE	9.74
SPPD	UE	66977.46
VILLAGE UNIFORM	SE	102.46

**Water Fund**

NE PUB HEALTH LAB	SE	964.00
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**Police Fund**

HALL COUNTY	SE	15901.60
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**Senior Center Fund**

STICK CREEK	SU	2384.00
STICK CREEK	SU	3285.00
STICK CREEK	SU	4260.00
STICK CREEK	SU	3216.00

**Game & Parks Fund**

**Ambulance Fund**

VERIZON	UE	95.76
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**Variety Fund**

RODRIGUEZ SISTERS	SE	520.00
STRONG WINDOW	SE	275.00
MATHESON	SU	36.14
MENARDS	SU	1080.56
PRESTO-X	SE	208.89

REVIEWED BY:

COUNCIL PERSON

GREAT PLAINS	UE	480.59	
CARDMEMBER	MI	2591.69	
BLACK HILLS	UE	2096.63	
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	MI	96.99	
HD DISPOSAL	SE	383.87	
	TOTAL DISB.		\$ 123,738.03
	CHECKS NOT ON LIST		\$ 65,575.07
			\$ 189,313.10

**Checks not on list**

38929 JEO	2436.25
38930 JEO	430.00
38931 VAN KIRK	62460.00
38932 US POSTAL SERVICE	248.82



February 20, 2025

Mr. Greg Cramer  
 City of Wood River  
 P. O. Box 8  
 Wood River, NE 68883

Project #918-24  
 Invoice # HE25-0484

INVOICE

Professional Engineering Services - City Engineer  
 Streets, Sewer, Water, & General

Billing Period: Jan 1, 2024 through Dec 31, 2024

Sr. Professional Engineer	25.50	Hrs.	@	\$130.00	/ Hr.	\$	3,315.00
Engineer	8.25	Hrs.	@	\$120.00	/ Hr.	\$	990.00
Technician	0.00	Hrs.	@	\$75.00	/ Hr.	\$	-
Secretary	3.50	Hrs.	@	\$62.50	/ Hr.	\$	218.76
CAD	0.00	Hrs.	@	\$27.50	/ Hr.	\$	-
Mileage	89.00	Mi.	@	\$0.70	/ Mi.	\$	<u>62.30</u>

Total Amount Now Due \$ 4,586.06

Estimated Account Breakdown:

Sewer	\$	1,296.55
Streets	\$	2,470.13
Water	\$	241.88
General	\$	<u>577.50</u>
	\$	4,586.06

**Thank You!**

**REMIT TO:**

W Design Associates, Inc.  
 P.O. Box 99  
 McCook, NE 69001



Engineering | Architecture | Surveying | Planning

Invoice

February 21, 2025  
 Project No: R230797.00  
 Invoice No: 158748  
 Invoice Amount: 7,455.00

Brent Gascho  
 City of Wood River  
 108 W. 10th Street  
 PO Box 8  
 Wood River, NE 68883

Project Manager Matt Kalin  
 Project R230797.00 Wood River 2023 Electric System Improvements  
Professional Services through February 7, 2025

	Contract Amount	Percent Complete	Billed-to-Date	Previous Billing	Current Billing
<b>Lump Sum Phase(s)</b>					
Preliminary Design	\$12,500.00	100%	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00	0.00
Final Design	\$8,500.00	100%	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	0.00
Bidding and Negotiation	\$5,000.00	100%	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	0.00
Construction Services	\$10,750.00	55%	\$5,912.50	\$5,267.50	\$645.00
Amend 1 - Design	\$10,250.00	66%	\$6,810.00	0.00	\$6,810.00
Amend 1 - Construction Services	\$5,750.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$52,750.00</b>		<b>\$38,722.50</b>	<b>\$31,267.50</b>	<b>\$7,455.00</b>
<b>Total Amount Due Upon Receipt :</b>					<b>\$7,455.00</b>

Outstanding Invoices

Number	Date	Balance
157955	1/27/2025	430.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>430.00</b>