2025-2026
STATE OF NEBRASKA
CITY/VILLAGE BUDGET FORM

City of NELIGH

TO THE COUNTY BOARD AND COUNTY CLERK OF
Antelope County

This budget is for the Period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026

Upon Filing, The Entity Certifies the Information Submitted on this Form to be Correct:

The following **PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX** is requested for the ensuing year:

528,128.04	Property Taxes for Non-Bond Purposes
151,000.00	Principal and Interest on Bonds
679,128.04	**Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required**

116,082,355.00	**Total Certified Valuation (All Counties)**

*(Certification of Valuation(s) from County Assessor **MUST** be attached)*

County Clerk's Use ONLY

Projected Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness as of October 1, 2025
(As of the Beginning of the Budget Year)

Principal	1,755,000.00
Interest	150,695.00
Total Bonded Indebtedness	1,905,695.00

Report of Joint Public Agency & Interlocal Agreements

Was this Subdivision involved in any Interlocal Agreements or Joint Public Agencies for the reporting period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[X] YES [ ] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Interlocal Agreement Report by September 30th.*

Report of Trade Names, Corporate Names & Business Names

Did the Subdivision operate under a separate Trade Name, Corporate Name, or other Business Name during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[ ] YES [X] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Trade Name Report by September 30th.*

APA Contact Information

Auditor of Public Accounts
PO Box 98917
Lincoln, NE 68509

Telephone: (402) 471-2111 **FAX:** (402) 471-3301

Website: auditors.nebraska.gov

Questions - E-Mail: Jeff.Schreier@nebraska.gov

Submission Information

Budget Due by 9-30-2025

Submit budget to:

1. Auditor of Public Accounts -Electronically on Website or Mail
2. County Board (SEC. 13-508), C/O County Clerk

City of NELIGH in Antelope County

Line No.	Beginning Balances, Receipts, & Transfers	Actual 2023 - 2024 (Column 1)	Actual/Estimated 2024 - 2025 (Column 2)	**Adopted Budget 2025 - 2026** (Column 3)
1	Net Cash Balance	3,090,926.00	2,926,315.00	7,336,023.00
2	Investments	2,030,881.00	1,981,148.00	
3	County Treasurer's Balance	13,968.00	24,345.00	24,345.00
4	Beginning Balance Proprietary Function Funds **(Only If Page 6 is Used)**			-
5	**Subtotal of Beginning Balances** **(Lines 1 thru 4)**	**5,135,775.00**	**4,931,808.00**	**7,360,368.00**
6	Personal and Real Property Taxes **(Columns 1 and 2 - See Preparation Guidelines)**	534,608.00	553,726.00	672,404.00
7	Federal Receipts	49,893.00	1,130,034.00	236,729.00
8	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate	1,094.00	1,136.00	1,105.00
9				
10	State Receipts: Highway Allocation and Incentives	268,216.00	280,642.00	268,922.00
11	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Fee	18,972.00	17,983.00	18,000.00
12	State Receipts: State Aid			
13	State Receipts: Municipal Equalization Aid	135,885.00	165,169.00	165,302.00
14	State Receipts: Other	172,747.00	197,430.00	196,825.00
15	State Receipts: Property Tax Credit	29,360.00	39,719.00	
16	Local Receipts: Nameplate Capacity Tax			
17	Local Receipts: Motor Vehicle Tax	86,411.00	94,000.00	89,000.00
18	Local Receipts: Local Option Sales Tax	404,744.00	348,800.00	360,000.00
19	Local Receipts: In Lieu of Tax	833.00	4,096.00	3,630.00
20	Local Receipts: Other	4,759,485.00	8,070,482.00	7,706,484.00
21	Transfers In of Surplus Fees			
22	Transfers In Other Than Surplus Fees			
23	Proprietary Function Funds **(Only if Page 6 is Used)**			-
24	**Total Resources Available** **(Lines 5 thru 23)**	**11,598,023.00**	**15,835,025.00**	**17,078,769.00**
25	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** **(Line 22, Pg 3, 4 & 5)**	**6,666,215.00**	**8,474,657.00**	**13,232,183.00**
26	**Balance Forward/Cash Reserve** **(Line 24 MINUS Line 25)**	**4,931,808.00**	**7,360,368.00**	**3,846,586.00**
27	Cash Reserve Percentage			35%

PROPERTY TAX RECAP		
	Tax from Line 6	672,404.00
	County Treasurer Commission at 1%	6,724.04
	Total Property Tax Requirement	679,128.04

City of NELIGH in Antelope County

To Assist the County For Levy Setting Purposes

The Cover Page identifies the Property Tax Request between Principal & Interest on Bonds and All Other Purposes. If your municipality needs more of a breakdown for levy setting purposes, complete the section below.

Property Tax Request by Fund:		Property Tax Request
General Fund	$	528,128.04
Bond Fund	$	151,000.00
_____ Fund		
_____ Fund		
Total Tax Request	** $	679,128.04

** This Amount should agree to the Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required on the Cover Page 1.

Cash Reserve Funds

Statute 13-503 says cash reserve means funds required for the period before revenue would become available for expenditure but shall not include funds held in any special reserve fund. If the cash reserve on Page 2 exceeds 50%, you can list below funds being held in a special reserve fund.

Special Reserve Fund Name		Amount
Enterprise Funds	$	1,573,864.00
Total Special Reserve Funds	$	1,573,864.00
Total Cash Reserve	$	3,846,586.00
Remaining Cash Reserve	$	2,272,722.00
Remaining Cash Reserve %		20%

Documentation of Transfers of Surplus Fees:

(Only complete if Transfers of Surplus Fees Were Budgeted)

Please explain where the monies will be transferred from, where the monies will be transferred to, and the reason for the transfer.

Transfer From: _____ Transfer To: _____

Amount:

Reason:

Transfer From: _____ Transfer To: _____

Amount: _____

Reason:

Transfer From: _____ Transfer To: _____

Amount:

Reason:

City of NELIGH in Antelope County

Line No.	2025-2026 ADOPTED BUDGET Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	234,679.00	4,200.00					238,879.00
3	Public Safety - Police	363,966.00		41,000.00				404,966.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	47,110.00	15,000.00					62,110.00
4	Public Safety - Other	7,546.00						7,546.00
5	Public Works - Streets	307,646.00	143,000.00	25,000.00	125,120.00			600,766.00
6	Public Works - Other							-
7	Public Health and Social Services							-
8	Culture and Recreation	713,899.00	120,036.00	78,150.00	32,261.00			944,346.00
9	Community Development	545,643.00	1,350.00	4,000.00				550,993.00
10	Miscellaneous	357,220.00		39,487.00				396,707.00
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport							-
13	Nursing Home							-
14	Hospital							-
15	Electric Utility	2,911,772.00	119,925.00	419,932.00	456,557.00			3,908,186.00
16	Solid Waste	358,755.00	2,000.00	7,750.00	47,915.00			416,420.00
17	Transportation	97,607.00						97,607.00
18	Wastewater	251,988.00	134,700.00	5,000.00	981,988.00			1,373,676.00
19	Water	307,808.00	909,200.00	26,000.00	2,986,973.00			4,229,981.00
20	Other							-
21	Proprietary Function Funds (Page 6)					-		-
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Lns 2 thru 21)	6,505,639.00	1,449,411.00	646,319.00	4,630,814.00	-	-	13,232,183.00

(A) **Operating Expenses** should include Personal Services, Operating Expenses, Supplies and Materials, and Equipment Rental.
(B) **Capital Improvements** should include acquisition of real property or acquisition, construction, or extension of any improvements on real property.
(C) **Other Capital Outlay** should include other items to be inventoried (i.e. equipment, vehicles, etc.).
(D) **Debt Service** should include Bond Principal and Interest Payments, Payments to Retirement Interest-Free Loans from NDA (Airports) and other debt payments.
(E) **Other** should include Judgments, and Proprietary Function Funds if a separate budget is filed.
(F) **Transfers** should include Transfers and Transfers of Surplus Fees

City of NELIGH in Antelope County

Line No.	2024-2025 ACTUAL/ESTIMATED Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	212,709.00	600.00	2,725.00				216,034.00
3	Public Safety - Police	353,280.00		27,945.00				381,225.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	37,718.00	2,324.00	25,700.00				65,742.00
4	Public Safety - Other	7,326.00						7,326.00
5	Public Works - Streets	248,414.00	236,285.00	8,556.00	122,504.00			615,759.00
6	Public Works - Other							-
7	Public Health and Social Services							-
8	Culture and Recreation	423,468.00	102,418.00	23,262.00	32,261.00			581,409.00
9	Community Development	300,333.00	2,580.00	18,324.00				321,237.00
10	Miscellaneous	53,132.00		62,535.00				115,667.00
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport							-
13	Nursing Home							-
14	Hospital							-
15	Electric Utility	2,245,789.00	57,657.00	24,282.00	458,921.00			2,786,649.00
16	Solid Waste	276,688.00	2,000.00	22,243.00	47,916.00			348,847.00
17	Transportation	98,708.00						98,708.00
18	Wastewater	242,900.00	762,051.00	6,860.00	15,748.00			1,027,559.00
19	Water	283,210.00	1,590,180.00	20,037.00	15,068.00			1,908,495.00
20	Other							-
21	Proprietary Function Funds							-
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Ln 2 thru 21)	4,783,675.00	2,756,095.00	242,469.00	692,418.00	-	-	8,474,657.00

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City of NELIGH in Antelope County

Line No.	2023-2024 ACTUAL Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	215,326.00	584.00	3,290.00				219,200.00
3	Public Safety - Police	318,546.00	5,867.00	9,737.00				334,150.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	36,807.00	85.00	26,357.00				63,249.00
4	Public Safety - Other	7,200.00						7,200.00
5	Public Works - Streets	256,846.00	602,853.00	28,319.00	116,456.00			1,004,474.00
6	Public Works - Other							-
7	Public Health and Social Services							-
8	Culture and Recreation	378,550.00	63,535.00	146,608.00	45,356.00			634,049.00
9	Community Development	449,172.00		3,301.00				452,473.00
10	Miscellaneous	31,451.00		20,422.00				51,873.00
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport							-
13	Nursing Home							-
14	Hospital							-
15	Electric Utility	2,431,586.00	25.00	2,725.00	217,065.00			2,651,401.00
16	Solid Waste	272,845.00	1,455.00	221,079.00	31,944.00			527,323.00
17	Transportation	88,583.00						88,583.00
18	Wastewater	299,373.00	566.00	676.00	15,643.00			316,258.00
19	Water	301,832.00		408.00	13,742.00			315,982.00
20	Other							-
21	Proprietary Function Funds							-
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Ln 2 thru 21)	5,088,117.00	674,970.00	462,922.00	440,206.00	-	-	6,666,215.00

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City of NELIGH in Antelope County

2025-2026 SUMMARY OF PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUNDS

NOTE: COMPLETE THIS PAGE ONLY IF A SEPARATE PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUND BUDGET IS FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUNDS ONLY

Funds (List)	Beginning Balance	Total Budget of Receipts	Total Budget of Disbursements	Cash Reserve
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-
	(Forward to Page 2, Line 4)	(Forward to Page 2, Line 23)	(Forward to Page 3, Line 21)	

NOTE: State Statute Section 13-504 requires a uniform summary of the proposed budget statement including each proprietary function fund included in a separate proprietary budget statement prepared pursuant to the Municipal Proprietary Function Act. Proprietary function shall mean a water supply or distribution utility, a waste-water collection or treatment utility, an electric generation, transmission, or distribution utility, a gas supply, transmission, or distribution utility, an integrated solid waste management collection, disposal, or handling utility, or a hospital or a nursing home owned by a municipality.

CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION

ENTITY OFFICIAL ADDRESS

If no official address, please provide address where correspondence should be sent

NAME	**City of Neligh**
ADDRESS	**202 Main Street**
CITY & ZIP CODE	**Neligh, NE 68756**
TELEPHONE	**402-887-4066**
WEBSITE	**www.neligh.org**

	BOARD CHAIRPERSON	CLERK/TREASURER/SUPERINTENDENT/OTHER	PREPARER
NAME	Joe Hartz	Danielle Klabenes	Danielle Klabenes
TITLE /FIRM NAME	Mayor	City Clerk/ Treasurer	City Clerk/ Treasurer
TELEPHONE	402-887-4066	402-887-4066	402-887-4066
EMAIL ADDRESS	joe@neligh.org	dana@neligh.org	dana@neligh.org

For Questions on this form, who should we contact (please √ one): Contact will be via email if supplied.

- [ ] Board Chairperson
- [X] Clerk / Treasurer / Superintendent / Other
- [ ] Preparer

PROPERTY TAX GROWTH LIMITATION ACT (§§ 13-3401 - 13-1308)

City of NELIGH

2025-2026 PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY COMPUTATION FORM

Calculation of Preliminary Property Tax Request Authority

2024-2025 Total Property Tax Request *(from prior year budget - Cover Page submitted to the State Auditor)*	(1)	$ 650,642.00	
Less: Prior Year Exceptions Utilized *(Will all be zero for 2025-2026 budget because first year of new cap)*			
Approved Bonds *(prior year line 16)*	(2)	-	
Emergency Response *(prior year line 17)*	(3)	-	
Public Safety Services *(prior year line 18)*	(4)	-	
County Attorneys *(prior year line 19)*	(5)	-	
County Public Defenders *(prior year line 20)*	(6)	-	
Response to Public Safety Threat *(prior year line 21)*	(7)	-	
Public Safety Interlocal Agreements *(prior year line 22)*	(8)	-	
Voter Approved Increase *(prior year line 23)*	(9)	-	
Unused authority used in the prior year *(prior year line 24)*	(10)	-	
TOTAL Prior Year Exceptions Utilized (total line 2 thru 10)	**(11)**	-	
Preliminary Property Tax Request Authority (line 1 - line 11)		(12)	**650,642.00**

Allowed Increases to Preliminary Property Tax Request Authority

2024 Property Taxes Levied (per Taxes Levied Reports from Department of Revenue)			650,457.50
See instructions below for where to find this amount			(13)
Growth Percentage per County Assessor			
2,575,333.00 / 107,907,744.00 =		2.39%	
2025 Growth Value / 2024 Total Valuation		(14a)	15,523.86
(Line 14 equals Line 13 minus line 2 & 3, multiplied by line 14a)			Increase due to Growth (14)
Inflation Percentage		5.17%	
(Line 15 equals Line 13 minus line 2 & 3, multiplied by line 15a)		(15a)	33,628.65
			Increase due to Inflation (15)

Allowable Exceptions Utilized (§ 13-3404)

2025-2026 Property Taxes Budgeted For:

Approved Bonds *(Cannot exceed property tax request for principal & interest on bonds on cover page (page 1))*	(16)	-
Response to a declared emergency in the prior year & certified to the Auditor *(Must agree to total on Schedule 2)*	(17)	-
Public Safety Services, as defined in §13-320 *(Must agree to total on Schedule 3)*	(18)	-
County Attorneys	(19)	-
County Public Defenders	(20)	-
Support of service relating to an imminent & significant threat to public safety that was not previously provided by the political subdivision & is the subject of an agreement or modification of an existing agreement executed after 8/21/2024	(21)	-
Support of an interlocal agreement relating to public safety	(22)	-
Voter approved increase pursuant to § 13-3405 *(MUST attach sample ballot language and certified election results)*	(23)	-
Prior Year's Unused Property Tax Request Authority used this year *(Cannot exceed amount on Supporting Schedule 1, line 1)*	(24)	-

Total Exceptions Utilized *(Total lines 16 thru 24)*	(25)	-
2025-2026 Total Property Tax Request Authority *(Total lines 12, 14, 15, 25)*	(26)	**699,794.51**
2025-2026 ACTUAL Property Tax Request *(from Cover Page - Page 1)*	(27)	679,128.04
Unused Property Tax Request Authority Created for Future Years *(To Schedule 1, line 3)* *(Line 26 - Line 27, MUST be greater than or equal to $0.00)*	(28)	**20,666.47**

City of NELIGH

2025-2026 PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY SUPPORTING SCHEDULES

Schedule 1 - Calculation of Unused Property Tax Request Authority Carryforward

	Line No.	
Converted 2024-2025 Unused Restricted Funds Authority *(See instructions below for how to determine this amount)*	(1)	$ 32,522.00
Less: Amount used this year *(from Computation Form, line 24) (cannot exceed line 1)*	(2)	-
Add: Unused Authority created this year *(from Computation Form, line 28)*	(3)	20,666.47
Total Unused Property Tax Request Authority available for future years ***(cannot be less than $0.00)***	(4)	53,188.47

Schedule 2 - DECLARED EMERGENCY EXCEPTION CERTIFICATION

If using a declared emergency response exception on the Property Tax Request Authority Computation Form, line 17, the following must be completed. Additionally, supporting documentation for the emergency declaration must be attached to the budget submission if the emergency was declared by the principal executive of the local government.

Description of Emergency (Column A)	Date of Emergency Declaration (Column B)	Emergency Declared by Who? (Column C)	Amount Used as Exception (Column D)
			$ -
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
Total Emergency Response Exception *(must agree to Computation Form, line 17)*			-

Schedule 3 - DESCRIPTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES EXCEPTION

If using a public safety services exception on the Property Tax Request Authority Computation Form, line 18, the following must be completed:

Description of Public Safety Services Exception (Column A)	Amount Used as Exception (Column B)
	$ -
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
	-
Total Public Safety Exception *(must agree to Computation Form, line 18)*	-

Municipality Levy Limit Form

City of NELIGH in Antelope County

Municipality Levy				
Personal and Real Property Tax Request	(1)		679,128.04	
Judgments (Not Paid by Liability Insurance)	(2)	0.00		
Pre-Existing Lease - Purchase Contracts-7/98	(3)	0.00		
Bonded Indebtedness	(4)	151,000.00		
Interest Free Financing (Public Airports)	(5)	0.00		
Benefits Paid Under Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act	(6)	0.00		
Total Levy Exemptions	(7)		151,000.00	
Tax Request Subject to Levy Limit	(8)		528,128.04	
Valuation	(9)		116,082,355	
Municipality Levy Subject to Levy Authority	(10)		0.454960	
Levy Authority Allocated to Others-				
Airport Authority	(11)		0.000000	
Community Redevelopment Authority	(12)		0.000000	
Transit Authority	(13)		0.000000	
Off Street Parking District Valuation	(14)			
Off Street Parking District Levy (Statute 77-3443(2))	(15)	0.000000	0.000000	
Other	(16)		0.000000	
Total Levy for Compliance Purposes	(17)		0.454960	**(A)**
Levy Authority				
Municipality Levy Limit	(18		0.450000	
Municipality property taxes designated for interlocal agreements	(19)	123,405.00	0.050000	
Total Municipality Levy Authority	(20)		0.500000	**(B)**
Voter Approved Levy Override	(21)		0.000000	**(C)**

Note: (A) must be less than the greater of (B) or (C) to be in compliance with the Statutes

This Form is to be completed to ensure compliance with the levy limits established in State Statute Section 77-3442. The levy limit applicable to municipalities is 45 cents plus 5 cents for interlocal agreements.

State Statute Section 86-416 allows for a special tax to fund Public Safety Communication projects, the tax has the same status as bonded indebtedness. State Statute 72-2301 through 72-2308 allows bonds to be issued for Public Facilities Construction Projects. Amounts should be included as Bonded Indebtedness on Line 7 above.

A municipality may exceed the limits in State Statute Section 77-3442 by completing the requirements of State Statute Section 77-3444 (Election or Townhall Meeting). **If an amount is entered on Line 21, a sample ballot and election results MUST be submitted with budget. If voter approved override was completed at a Townhall Meeting, minutes of that meeting, and a list of registered voters in the municipality must be submitted.** Please refer to the statutes to ensure all requirements are met.

City of NELIGH in Antelope County

2025-2026 ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE COMPUTATION FORM

YES ☐ **This budget is for a VILLAGE; therefore the allowable growth provisions of the Property Tax Request Act DO NOT apply.**

CALCULATION OF ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE

Prior Year Total Property Tax Request (1) 650,642.00
*(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required from **prior year** budget - Cover Page)*

Base Limitation Percentage Increase (2%) 2.00 % (2)

Real Growth Percentage Increase

2,575,333.00	/	107,907,744.00	=	2.39 % (3)
2025 Real Growth Value per Assessor		Prior Year Total Real Property Valuation per Assessor		

Total Allowable Growth Percentage Increase (Line 2 + Line 3) (4) 4.39 %

Allowable Dollar Amount of Increase to Property Tax Request (Line 1 x Line 4) (5) 28,563.18

TOTAL BASE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY (Line 1 + Line 5) (6) **679,205.18**

ACTUAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

2025-2026 ACTUAL Total Property Tax Request (7) 679,128.04
(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required from Cover Page)

Property Tax Request is within allowable growth percentage. Political subdivision is NOT required to complete postcard notification requirements, or participate in the joint public hearing.

If line (7) is **greater than** line (6), your political subdivision **is required** to participate in the joint public hearing, and complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You must provide your information to the County Assessor electronically by September 4th. You are not required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632. The joint public hearing is completed in lieu of this hearing.

If line (7) is **less than** line (6), your political subdivision **is not required** to participate in the joint public hearing, or complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You are required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632.

City of NELIGH

IN

Antelope County, Nebraska

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 9th day of September 2025, at 6:30 o'clock P.M., at Neligh City Council Chambers for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk during regular business hours.

2023-2024 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	$	6,666,215.00
2024-2025 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	$	8,474,657.00
2025-2026 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	$	13,232,183.00
2025-2026 Necessary Cash Reserve	$	3,846,586.00
2025-2026 Total Resources Available	$	17,078,769.00
Total 2025-2026 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	$	679,128.04
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	$	53,188.47

Breakdown of Property Tax:

Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	$	528,128.04
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	$	151,000.00

NOTICE OF SPECIAL HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX REQUEST

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 77-1632, that the governing body will meet on the 9th day of September 2025, at at the conclusion of the budget hearing o'clock _____, at Neligh City Council Chambers for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

	2024	2025	Change
Operating Budget	16,828,507.00	13,232,183.00	-21%
Property Tax Request	$ 650,642.00	$ 679,128.04	4%
Valuation	107,907,744	116,082,355	8%
Tax Rate	0.602961	0.585040	-3%
Tax Rate if Prior Tax Request was at Current Valuation	0.560500		

REPORT OF JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

REPORTING PERIOD JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025

City of NELIGH — SUBDIVISION NAME

Antelope County — COUNTY

Parties to Agreement (Column 1)	Agreement Period (Column 2)	Description (Column 3)
Antelope County and City of Neligh	9/1/22-8/31/25	Monthly Dispatching at $900 per month.
Antelope County and City of Neligh	6/8/04 until terminated by 90 day notice	Monthly fee of $24 for joint use of emergency siren system.
LARM and City of Neligh	10/1/24-9/30/25	Insurance for general, street, police, library, park, pool and theater
Antelope County and City of Neligh	7/1/24 to 6/30/25	Annual Library services provided to county residents
Neligh Rural Fire Protection District and City of Neligh Fire Dept.	7/1/21 until term 30 day notice	Annual mutual aid to county residents for fire protection
Antelope County and City of Neligh	9/12/13 until term by 30 day notice	Annual mutual aid to county residents for police protection

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE AND GROWTH VALUE

{format for all counties and cities.}

TAX YEAR 2025

{certification required on or before August 20th of each year}

TO:

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF: ANTELOPE

Name of Political Subdivision	Subdivision Type (County or City)	Growth Value *	Total Taxable Value	Prior Year Total Property Valuation	Growth Percentage [b]
NELIGH CITY GEN	City/Village	2,575,333	116,082,355	107,907,744	2.39

* *Growth Value is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-3402 and § 77-1631 which includes (a) improvements to real property as a result of new construction and additions to existing buildings, (b) any other improvements to real property which increase the value of such property, (c) annexation of real property by the political subdivision, (d) a change in the use of real property, (e) any increase in personal property valuation over the prior year, and (f) the accumulated excess valuation over the redevelopment project valuation described in section 18-2147 of the Community Redevelopment Law for redevelopment projects within the political subdivision in the year immediately after the division of taxes for such redevelopment project has ended.*

Note: Growth Value and Real Growth Value mean the same when referring to the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act and the Property Tax Request Act.

[b] *Growth Percentage is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 and is equal to the political subdivision's Growth Value divided by the political subdivision's total property valuation from the prior year.*

I KELLY MUELLER-OLTJENBRUNS , ANTELOPE County Assessor hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 13-509 and 13-518.

ANTELOPE COUNTY ASSESSOR SEAL NEBRASKA

(signature of county assessor)

8/13/25

(date)

CC: County Clerk, ANTELOPE County

CC: County Clerk where district is headquartered, if different county, _____ County

Note to political subdivision: A copy of the Certification of Value must be attached to the budget document.

Guideline form provided by Nebraska Dept. of Revenue Property Assessment Division (July 2025)

Assessor's Use Only

8,682,573 Pers Prior
8,892,861 Pers Value

99,225,171 Real Prior
107,189,494 Real Value

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-17

WHREREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute §77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of the City of Neligh passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the proposed property tax request; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Neligh that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Neligh resolves that:

1. The 2025-2026 property tax request be set as follows:

General Fund	-	$528,128.04	Levy	.454959
Debt Service	-	$151,000.00	Levy	.130080
TOTAL	-	$679,128.04	TOTAL	.585040

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 7.58%.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be 0.560500 per $100 of assessed value.

4. The City of Neligh proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be $.585040 per $100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the City of Neligh will decrease last year's budget by -21.37%.

6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the Antelope County Clerk prior to October 15, 2025.

Motion by Pederson seconded by Lundgren to adopt Resolution 2025-17.

Voting in favor were Hughes, Pederson, Miller, Lundgren.

Voting opposed were NONE.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2025.

CITY OF NELIGH

Council President

ATTEST:

City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Danielle Klabenes, Clerk of the City of Neligh, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Resolution 2025-17 of said city, passed by the City Council on the 9th day of September, 2025.

Danielle Klabenes

City Clerk

City of NELIGH

IN

Antelope County, Nebraska

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 9th day of September 2025, at 6:30 o'clock P.M., at Neligh City Council Chambers for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk during regular business hours.

2023-2024 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	$ 6,666,215.00
2024-2025 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	$ 8,474,657.00
2025-2026 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	$ 13,232,183.00
2025-2026 Necessary Cash Reserve	$ 3,846,586.00
2025-2026 Total Resources Available	$ 17,078,769.00
Total 2025-2026 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	$ 679,128.04
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	$ 53,188.47

Breakdown of Property Tax:

Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	$ 528,128.04
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	$ 151,000.00

NOTICE OF SPECIAL HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX REQUEST

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Consideration for bio-diesel fuel $33,000 and service call $30,000 for generation plant.

Consideration for 3% cost of living increase to salaries and wages and new minimum wages effective January 1, 2026.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 P.M.

City of Neligh
/s/ Joe Hartz
Mayor
/s/ Danielle Klabenes
City Clerk
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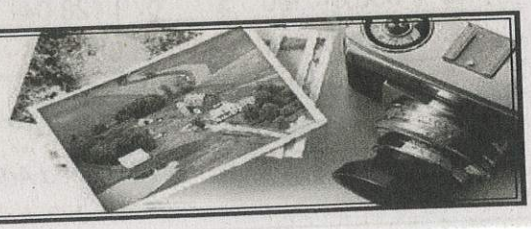
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All asbestos removal and osal will be in accordance all applicable local, state federal requirements.
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Contractor will provide tification to the Department Water, Energy & Environment ownfields Coordinator.
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Contractor will provide a final port including before and after notos of the work conducted, ates of asbestos removal and odates on the redevelopment plans for the site.

Contractor will provide a final visual clearance report by an independent third party that examined the work area and has determined that all asbestos-containing material has been removed as required by 178 Nebraska Administrative Code 22-018.

Contractor must complete work and provide required reports no later than November 28, 2025.

The City of Neligh reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for any reason deemed appropriate by the City with the Neligh City Council being the ultimate decision-making body. Should you have any questions regarding the submission of a proposal, please call the City Clerk at (402) 887-4066.

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MINUTES OF BUDGET HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NELIGH, NEBRASKA
September 9, 2025

The budget hearing and regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Neligh was held at the City Council Chambers on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 6:30 P.M. Present were Council Members Leonard Miller, Steph Lundgren, Ted Hughes, and Tyler Pedersen. Absent was Mayor Joe Hartz. Also in attendance were City Attorney James McNally, City. Supt. Dan Donaldson, Economic Development Director Lauren Sheridan, City Clerk Danielle Klabenes, Police Chief Logan Lawson, Library Director Amy Baker, Lyle Juracek, Lisa Payne, and Library Board Members Laurel Miller and Megan Wingate. Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Antelope County News on September 3, 2025. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Council of this meeting. All proceedings thereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Council President Hughes presided over the meeting and noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Law, located on the east wall of the City Council Chambers, was available to the public. City Clerk Danielle Klabenes recorded the minutes. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

BUDGET HEARING FOR 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR

Council President Hughes opened a public budget hearing for the proposed fiscal year 2025-2026 budget for the purpose of hearing support, opposition criticism suggestions or observations. Time 6:32 PM. Clerk Klabenes reviewed and presented each page of the budget explaining the change in property tax asking for non-bond purposes and for bond purposes, the change in certified valuation, the anticipated revenues, and expenses for the 2025-2026 year, the proposed levy, and the special reserve funds in compliance with the budget. She presented the actual/ estimated 2024-2025 expenses noting that no amended budget was needed as the expenditures were less than the authorized expenditures. She presented the actual 2023-2024 expenses and the new forms for the property tax request authority. She reviewed the allowable growth percentage, noting that the city fell below the threshold and was not required to attend a joint public hearing with any other eligible tax entities in the county. She presented the unused property tax request authority and municipal levy limit noting both complied with the budget. She reviewed the notice of budget hearing and final tax request that were both published and presented the differences between 2024 and 2025. She reviewed charts for a 25 year view of city valuations, property tax requests, and levy rates. She reviewed a pie chart for all municipal department budgets and all general fund department budgets. She reviewed a cumulative review of all municipal departments collectively. Upon no further questions or audience questions, the Council President Hughes closed the public hearing at 6:54 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council member Lundgren moved to approve the August 12th regular and August 19th special meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Pedersen. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Miller, Lundgren, and Pedersen. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT

Clerk Klabenes reported the July spinning reserves were $6,465 and a new high record since beginning spinning reserves. She reported an adjustment to the water revenues to remove the sewer portion of the bond anticipation note and the reimbursement from State Revolving Fund (SRF) of about $700,000 created a negative difference in the water revenue total, however actual water revenues were $29,000 for the month. She reported the Park Foundation received a reimbursement from the Park Department in sharing concrete costs of $3,163 for the concrete sidewalk finished around the Russell Park Shelters. She reviewed the fiscal year spinning reserves monthly average exceeded the monthly average bond payment for the automatic controls. *Lundgren moved to approve the August 2025 treasurer's report as presented.* Seconded by Pedersen. Roll call votes in favor were Pedersen, Hughes, Lundgren, and Miller. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lyle Juracek reported on a street crack between the curb and street in front of Spier Physical Therapy. He reported he had talked to the City Supt and city personnel would be applying patching material. City Supt. Donaldson reported the patching material worked better in cooler temperatures and the main street in front of Spier Physical Therapy would be patched. Juracek requested one handicap parking stall be made available in front of Spier Physical Therapy and discussion noted that one handicap parking stall would require the space of two parking spaces. Discussion noted the east entrance into Pinnacle Bank with the railing on the public sidewalk had not come to the city council for approval. The Council asked the City Clerk to check with a resident in a scooter if the sidewalk provided enough space to travel through the Pinnacle Bank railing and the curb. The Council directed the City Clerk to place the matter of handicap parking and sidewalks on the October agenda, and to invite a Pinnacle Bank representative to attend the October meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR SETTING FINAL TAX REQUEST FOR 2025-2026

Council President Hughes declared the hearing open to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations for the 2025-2026 final tax request at a different amount than the prior year's tax request. Time: 7:07 P.M. Clerk Klabenes reported the tax levy proposed was .585040. She reported on the increased city valuation of 7.58%, the increased property tax request of 4%, and the total operating budget decrease from last year's budget of 21.37%. The hearing was left open.

DOWNTOWN PARKING DURING ESU CONFERENCES

Discussion was held that downtown parking filled up the available street public parking during the Educational Service Unit (ESU) training events with an influx of people attending meetings or trainings coming from about 7 counties to Neligh. Discussion was held that the ESU contacted the American Legion Commander to utilize the Legion parking lot and the Legion agreed to supply parking to relieve pressure from main street and downtown parking. Discussion was held for communicating available parking to the educators in advance of arriving to Neligh and discussion was held for the local ESU employees to park in the American Legion parking lot to open up the street parking to the out of town attendees. Discussion was held for considering handicap parking in front of Making Waves salon at the next regular meeting. No action was taken.

DANGEROUS BUILDINGS UPDATE

City Attorney McNally reported letters would begin going out next week with any City Council action required brought to the October meeting. He reported no decision on the house demolition had been made as the judge had several trails over the last month. No action was taken.

ONE-AND-SIX YEAR STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Council President Hughes opened the One-and-Six Year Street Improvement Plan Hearing at 7:32 P.M. to receive oral or written comments from the public. City Clerk Klabenes reported maintenance projects only and no new projects for street construction were included in the 1-year plan and the 6-year plan included all the gravel and asphalt roads with updated costs. Discussion was held that the city pays for residential intersections, removals, storm sewers, and sidewalks. The Clerk reported the City Council could consider a resolution for increasing sales tax in the spring of 2026 for the November 2026 general election as allowed per statute. She reported monthly updates from the Nebraska Department of Revenue show cities and villages choosing to increase sales tax to fund public improvements such as streets and that the Village of Lindsay recently increased their sales tax. The hearing was left open.

RESOLUTION 2025-16 UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS

The City Clerk reported three utility accounts were requested for write off due to bankruptcy or the statute of limitations had expired. She reported two LB840 loans for business signage were requested for write off due to a bankruptcy and a change in the grant program verbiage. *Pedersen introduced and moved for passage Resolution 2025-16 writing off uncollectible accounts for accounting purposes in the amount of $2,947.38 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Lundgren, Hughes, and Pedersen. Thereupon Council President Hughes declared Resolution 2025-16 adopted.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR DIAL-A-RIDE PUBLIC TRANSIT FARE INCREASE TO $1.50

Council President Hughes declared the hearing open to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations for proposed increase in the Dial A Ride transit fare to $1.50 per one way trip within city limits. Time: 7:45P.M. Clerk Klabenes reported that previous discussions at earlier meetings had considered a 30% reduction in operating assistance from Nebraska Department of Transportation and considered a transit fare increase of $.50 per one way ride in city limits to offset the reduced operating assistance. She reported out of town trips would be $2.00 per mile and a minimum of $15.00 an hour for the driver time to match the new minimum wage that would be starting January 1, 2026. She reported a provision for out-of-town trips exceeding one hour was included at $3.75 for each 15 minutes after the first hour. She reported in addition to the public hearing held at the meeting that night, that a 10-day comment period was also provided to allow written comments on the increase to be submitted to City Hall up to September 19th. She reported notes of the fare increase would be handed out to riders, as well as emails to riders with an email address on file and an ad in the newspaper. She reported the four churches participating in sponsored Sunday rides would not be affected by the increase. Upon no further questions or audience questions, the Council President Hughes closed the public hearing at 7:50P.M. *Pedersen introduced and moved for passage Resolution 2025-21 to set transit fares for October 1, 2025.* Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Hughes, Pedersen, and Lundgren. Thereupon Council President Hughes declared Resolution 2025-21 adopted.

2025-2026 BUDGET ADOPTION WITH APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 663

Discussion was held for using General fund cash reserves to fund the shortage projected in the cumulative total for departments funded by the general fund. *Council member Pedersen moved to adopt the 2025-2026 budget for a total expenditure requirement of $13,232,183.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Pedersen, Lundgren, and Miller. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Council Member Pedersen moved to introduce the following budget ordinance entitled as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NELIGH, ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE NAMED "THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL"; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

And moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different times be suspended. Council Member Lundgren seconded the motion to suspend the rules and upon roll call vote on the motion, the following Council Members voted YEA: Miller, Pedersen, Lundgren, and Hughes. The following voted NAY: None. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three-fourths of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance.

Said ordinance was then read by title and thereafter, *Council member Pedersen moved for final passage of the ordinance,* which motion was seconded by Council member Miller. The Council President then stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 663 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members voted YEA: Pedersen, Miller, Hughes, and Lundgren. The following voted NAY: None. The passage and adoption of said ordinance, having been concurred in by three-fourths of all members of the City Council, the Council President declared the ordinance was adopted and approved of the same and affixed his signature thereto and ordered the City Clerk to publish said ordinance one time as prescribed by law.

RESOLUTION 2025-17 TAX LEVY FOR 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR

There being no comments or objections heard, Council President Hughes declared the final tax request hearing closed at 7:39 P.M. *Council member Pedersen introduced and moved for passage Resolution 2025-17 adopting a different tax levy from last year for the 2025-2026 fiscal year:*

General Fund - $528,128.04	*Levy - .454959*
Debt Service - $151,000.00	*Levy - .130080*
Total - $679,128.04	*TOTAL - .585040*

With an assessed city valuation increase from last year of 7.58%. Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Pedersen, Miller, and Lundgren. Opposed: None. Thereupon Council President declared Resolution 2025-17 adopted.

HIRING OF CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN

Council member Lundgren moved to approve the hire of Katherine Mudry to the Children's Librarian position at $20.00 an hour effective September 8, 2025. Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Pedersen, Lundgren, Miller, and Hughes. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORS REPORT

Economic Development Director Lauren Sheridan reported a response was received from the owner of the 6-plex noting delays resulting from contractor challenges and shared an expectation for increased communication with the city. She reported the HVAC was being installed that week. She reported changes to the application would be brought to the October meeting. She reported a developer was in negotiations to rehab a home that was previously listed on the nuisance list. She reported on the October 16th event of Connect Neligh for non-profit organizations to showcase their work and attract additional or new volunteers. She reported the 4 new Certified Local Government signs were installed. She reported the Economic Development Office, City Supt. and City Clerk had met with members of the Bike Walk Nebraska in promoting the Cowboy Trail through signage along the trail, and north of the Riverside Park underpass. She reported work in Clearwater included Community Development Block Grant applications. *Pedersen moved to approve the August economic development director's report as presented.* Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were and Lundgren, Hughes, Pedersen, and Miller. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

The Director reported the 5 year strategic plan gave the Neligh Historic Preservation Commission direction on planning and projects. *Lundgren moved to approve the Certified Local Government Strategic Plan for 2025-2030 for Neligh Historic Preservation Commission as presented.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Lundgren, Pedersen, Miller and Hughes. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

Chief of Police Logan Lawson reported Officer Riley Schroeder's graduation from the law enforcement center was the high light of August. The Chief reported Officer Schroeder would be working alongside with Sergeant Miller and the Chief for in house and field training for a few weeks. He reported the county fair in the first week of August took most of the departments attention and one call with a child separated from their parents was quickly resolved. He reported with the start of a new school year, Sergeant Miller gave a pep talk on the first day and all officers will continue to have a presence around school now. He reported August calls included various disturbances, a theft, and mental health. He reported the department assisted the Antelope County Sheriff's Office with no issues while a 4 day trial was in session. *Pedersen moved to approve the August written police report as presented.* Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Hughes, Pedersen,

and Lundgren. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

CITY SUPERINTENDANT & ELECTRIC REPORT

City Supt. Dan Donaldson reported the street crew would begin patching streets, potholes and filling cracks with the mastic machine again. He reported the boxcar at the Neligh Mill was sandblasted and would soon be painted. He reported the walk door would be removed, the original sliding door would be installed, and the original lettering restored on the outside. He reported the swimming pool lines were blown out for winter and the upgrades to the pool noticed by many people including the State Inspector. He reported the ballfields were getting repaired after the county fair and a 3-point roller behind a tractor greatly helped level out the ruts. He reported the west shelter in Riverside Park was getting a new roof installed, 8 tree stumps were ground out and low hanging limbs trimmed. He reported the 9-hole disc golf was completed and he was planning a grand opening for the new amenity. He reported a VFD had arrived that day for blower one as the sewer plant would run between manual and automatic setting between the day and evening hours. He reported the plant was looking fantastic and had processed almost 4 million gallons of sewage in August. He reported the water and sewer project was almost completed with services line installation along East Highway 275 and the lift station operational. He reported and thanked Rutjens Construction for donating the materials and labor to bore a water line under the river to Russell Park in the future. He reported a water leak east of 6th and E Streets from a split in the pipe was repaired. He reported Josh Capler made a good call to get Rutjens on site for a water repair south of the Courthouse on 5th Street over the weekend. He reported water pumped for August was down 13 million gallons compared to last year due to many rains received this summer. He reported about 7 to 8 cardboard bales had been made and he was anticipating a visit from First Star Fiber the following week to discuss Neligh possibly becoming a recycling hub with assistance of grant funds. He reported earlier that day he received notice that the county road department would be working on the county road leading to the Compactor the next day and on Thursday from Sargent Irrigation to Randy Reinke's home. He reported to limit public access on the county road during the road improvements, the city would close the Compactor on Thursday afternoon, but still be able to pickup curbside recycling in the morning. He reported a CodeRed notification would be sent out. He reported no major electrical outages occurred in August. He reported the generation plan had a fire when a turbo seal blew with oil leaking on the manifold. He reported Caterpillar came onsite and found a second turbo seal blew from the first seal and both were replaced, testing was completed and bio-diesel fuel refilled. He reported the repair invoice would be submitted to the city's insurance company. He noted that the electric generation plant does have insurance coverage from the city's carrier, but the coverage is not offered to any new electrical plants following the Broken Bow fire earlier this year. *Pedersen moved to approve the City Superintendent report as presented.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Pedersen, Lundgren, and Miller. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Council Member Pedersen moved to approve a fall community clean-up day for October 18-19th with free disposal to Neligh residential customers, excluding commercial businesses, until the trailer is full. Seconded by Miller. Discussion noted the community shred day event was scheduled for October 15th at the Economic Development Office. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Lundgren, Pedersen, and Miller. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

City Supt. Donaldson reported the hospital requested authorization to parallel park on the north side of 9th street between Main and N Street when the hospital works on the paved parking lot west of the hospital between 9th and 10th Street on N Street. He reported approximately 8 parking spaces would be available and did not foresee any issues with the street parking on the north side of 9th Street. Chief Lawson reported he did not foresee any issues either. Discussion was held that parking near the healing garden was probably an option, too. *Lundgren moved to approve the parallel parking on the north side of 9th Street between Main and N Street for Antelope Memorial Hospital staff and employees.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Miller, Pedersen, and Lundgren. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

The City Supt. reported on the agreement presented for $500 per load of solid waste to be hauled from the Compactor to the Jackson Landfill would begin October 1st as discussed during budget workshop. He reported he had talked to several haulers who could not offer a better price than the offer from Waste Connections. *Pedersen moved to approve the hauling agreement for $500 a load with Waste Connections beginning October 1, 2025.* Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were Lundgren, Miller, Pedersen, and Hughes. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2025-18 ADOPTING THE ONE-AND-SIX-YEAR STREET PLAN

There being no oral or written comments received in reference to the One-and-Six Year Street Improvement Plan, Council President Hughes closed the public hearing. Time: 8:34 P.M. *Council Member Lundgren introduced and moved for passage Resolution 2025-18 adopting the One-and-Six Year Street Improvement Plan as prepared by Advanced Consulting Engineering Services.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Lundgren, Miller, Hughes, and Pedersen. Opposed: None. Thereupon Council President Hughes declared Resolution 2025-18 adopted.

RESOLUTION 2025-19 AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL ANNUAL CERTIFICATION

Pedersen introduced and moved for passage of Resolution 2025-19 certifying the municipality's compliance with the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards and authorizing the mayor to sign the

certification form. Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Pedersen, Hughes, and Lundgren. Opposed: None. Thereupon Council President Hughes declared Resolution 2025-19 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 664 SETTING SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Clerk Klabenes reported that proposed Ordinance A in regard to wages was prepared according to discussions during the budget workshop setting forth wages at a 3% and 10% increase. She reported that a proposed Ordinance B was prepared to reflect a suggestion from the Mayor in regard to wages with a 3% and 5% increase. Library Board members Laurel Miller and Megan Wingate were present to request a wage increase for the head librarian to keep wages comparable to librarians in other area towns and due to the librarians work at the library. Discussion was held for balancing all staff cost of living increases, the difficulty in varying percentage increases, starting wages varied upon when the employee started in the position, and the impact of the minimum wage increases over the last several years. Discussion was held for the library being closed on three Saturdays over holiday weekends in the summer. Following discussion, *Council Member Miller introduced Ordinance 664B with the 3% and 5% wage increase entitled as follows:*

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NELIGH, ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, SETTING AND ESTABLISHING WAGES AND SALARIES FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2025 AND CONTINUING TO AND THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026; SETTING RATES OF CONTRIBUTION TOWARD EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE, HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND RETIREMENT; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

And moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different times be suspended. Council Member Lundgren seconded the motion to suspend the rules and upon roll call vote on the motion, the following Council Members voted YEA: Pedersen, Lundgren, Hughes, and Miller. The following voted NAY: None. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three-fourths of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance.

Said ordinance was then read by title and thereafter, *Council member Miller moved for final passage of the ordinance,* which motion was seconded by Council member Lundgren. The Council President then stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 664 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members voted YEA: Lundgren and Miller. The following voted NAY: Pedersen and Hughes. The motion failed as not having three-fourths of all members agree.

City Clerk Klabenes reported a special meeting for the following week would be considered later on the agenda and the Mayor would be back to attend the special meeting. She reported she would place the Ordinance setting wages on the special meeting agenda for all council members and the mayor to consider as a 5-person council. The clerk was asked to prepare the cost difference in total wages and benefits what each 1% increase resulted in total cost for the special meeting.

ORDINANCE NO 665 SETTING WATER AND SOLID WASTE RATES

Discussion was held for residential base monthly solid waste rates to increase, and residential garbage totes and commercial dumpster stickers to increase based on contract hauling and solid waste rates increasing. The discussion was held for the base monthly water fee to increase $2 with all rate changes effective October 21st. *Council member Lundgren introduced Ordinance 665 entitled as follows:*

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NELIGH, NEBRASKA, ESTABLISHING FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR WATER AND SOLID WASTE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE CLERK/TREASURER TO UPDATE THE MUNICIPAL SERVICE RATE SCHEDULES; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

And moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different times be suspended. Council Member Pedersen seconded the motion to suspend the rules and upon roll call vote on the motion, the following Council Members voted YEA: Hughes, Pedersen, Miller, and Lundgren. The following voted NAY: None. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three-fourths of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance.

Said ordinance was then read by title and thereafter, *Council member Lundgren moved for final passage of the ordinance,* which motion was seconded by Council member Miller. The Council President then stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 665 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members voted YEA: Lundgren, Pedersen, Miller, and Hughes. The following voted NAY: None. The passage and adoption of said ordinance, having been concurred in by three-fourths of all members of the City Council, the Council President declared the ordinance was adopted and approved of the same and affixed his signature thereto and ordered the City Clerk to publish said ordinance one time as prescribed by law.

RESOLUTION 2025-20 SIDEWALK COST SHARE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Clerk Klabenes reported on the cost share sidewalk program was a trial program matching the October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 fiscal year for up to 50% cost share or a maximum of $3,000 for sidewalks to be installed upon an application approval on a first come and first serve basis. Discussion was held for property owners responsible for their sidewalks without assistance from the city. Discussion was held that the current

ordinance creates a provision for city sidewalks to be repaired, replaced or installed new. Discussion was held for tabling the program to the special meeting the following week to consider the wages ordinance first. No action was taken and the matter was tabled.

NEW MOON THEATER REPORT

Theater Liaison Lundgren reported the Theater Board was still working on grant applications with the grant write. She reported board members were selling raffle tickets for east club level Nebraska Husker football seats for an October football game with a hotel stay, parking pass and a gift certificate for a Lincoln restaurant. She reported the bid letting for asbestos removal was scheduled for Friday. She reported the mold remediation grant was a 50% match grant like the asbestos removal grant. She reported a November event for a chili cookoff and beer or drink Olympics at the American Legion was being planned for a local fall fundraiser. *Pedersen moved to approve the New Moon Theater report as presented.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Miller, Pedersen, and Lundgren. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MEETING DATE TO REVIEW AND AWARD A BID

Clerk Klabenes requested consideration for a special meeting the following Tuesday to review and award a bid for the asbestos removal at the theater. She reported the asbestos removal needed to be completed by November 28th and a special meeting the following week would provide an additional 3 weeks of time to a contractor instead of waiting for the October meeting to review bids. She reported the special meeting would also include financing rates for the Hyundai loader, a donation to the park for a new recreation amenity, and possibly an update on the Grandstand structure. *Pedersen moved to approve setting a special meeting date of Tuesday, September 16th at 5:30 P.M.* Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were Pedersen, Lundgren, Hughes, and Miller. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH ANTELOPE COUNTY FOR COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Clerk Klabenes reported the annual agreement proposed for Antelope County to contribute to all county libraries an amount not to exceed $.05 pr $100 of property valuation and the amount received in the current fiscal year was about $4,326. *Council member Lundgren moved to approve an interlocal agreement between the City of Neligh and the Antelope County Library Association for supporting the Neligh Public Library for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.* Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Hughes, Lundgren, Pedersen, and Miller. Opposed none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Lundgren moved to authorize the City Clerk to issue a certificate of deposit for $50,000 from the Fire Department unused equipment 2024-2025 fiscal budget from the General Fund for a future equipment pumper purchase. Seconded by Pedersen. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Lundgren, Hughes, and Pedersen. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Pedersen moved to approve Pay Application #11 to Rutjens Construction for $719,457.77 split between water project 2A for $603,112.25 and a 5% retainer on all State Revolving Fund and United States Department of Agriculture water projects and the city sewer project totaling $116,345.52. Seconded by Lundgren. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Hughes, Pedersen, and Lundgren. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Lundgren moved to approve the Blackstrap invoices for weigh tickets totaling $100.00. Seconded by Pedersen. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Pedersen, and Lundgren. Abstain: Hughes. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Lundgren moved to approve the current claims as presented, except for Blackstrap invoices. Seconded by Miller. Roll call votes in favor were Miller, Hughes, Pedersen, and Lundgren. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

There being no further business to conduct, *Miller moved to adjourn.* Seconded by Pedersen. Roll call votes in favor were Lundgren, Miller, Pedersen, and Hughes. Opposed: None. Thereupon Council President Hughes declared the meeting adjourned. Time 9:50 P.M.

City of Neligh

Ted Hughes, Council President

ATTEST

Danielle Klabenes, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Neligh, Nebraska, hereby certify that on September 9, 2025; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk;

that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available for public inspection at least twenty-four hours before the meeting; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Daniella Klaberes

(SEAL) City Clerk