Wheatland City Council Proceedings July 8, 2013

Mayor Noel called the regular meeting of the Wheatland City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. with council members Rohling, Stankee, Steele, Woolard and Schnede present. Also present were city employees Matt Cavey and Laurie Ganzer.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the June 10th meeting and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to Meeting:

941 Tax – 2,608.87, IPERS – 1,461.82, State of Iowa, withholding tax – 417.00, State of Iowa, 2nd quarter sales tax – 1,686.00, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, Matt Cavey policy – 1,215.40, Tschiggfrie Excavating, lamphole contract – 17,246.42, Alliant Energy, utilities – 6,340.34, Radiology Group, x rays – 73.00, Genesis Health Group, medical bills insurance claims – 1,255.91, Meyer Mechanical, transfer switch – 200.00, Petersen Insurance, work comp audit premium – 373.00, Wheatland Wire, library ad & minutes – 65.00, Wright Express, fuel – 716.01, Spahn & Rose, window screen – 17.80, Dixie Woolard, mileage for landfill mtgs – 146.52

Accounts Payable for Meeting

Acco, chlorine - 307.80, Jill Bachus, books, DVDs - 105.80, Baker & Taylor, books - 273.69

Bancard, utility bill postage & fuel - 227.22, Calamus Wheatland School, diesel - 189.84

Chemsearch, chemicals – 475.06, Clinton County Sheriff's Office. Contract – 1,274.84

Clinton Humane Society, containment fees – 305.00, Dakota Supply, water meters – 3,455.42

Demco, office supplies – 139.96, Eagle Chemical, bag-o-bugs – 430.00, F & B Communications, telephone – 331.53, First Trust & Savings Bank, fire truck payment - 1,402.99

First Trust & Savings Bank, CD purchase – 16,000.00, Harry's Farm Tire, sample shipping – 91.00, Heiman Fire, truck repairs – 3,384.70, Iowa DNR, water supply fee – 89.21, Iowa League of Cities, annual dues – 535.00, Iowa One Call, locates – 36.00, Jayson Cavey, cell phone – 25.00, John Deere Financial, maintenance misc – 159.95, J & R Supply, trash pump – 2,981.00

Kamper Corner, wire fire trailer – 67.86, Keystone Labs, water testing – 365.60, Kluesner Construction, street crack sealing – 5,734.88, Laurie Ganzer, cell phone – 25.00, Matt Cavey, cell phone – 25.00, Maintenance Engineering, bulbs – 776.24, Micro Marketing, books on tape – 41.00, Midwest Wireless, fire communications equipment – 1,390.00, MSA Professional Services, administration I & I & CDBG – 8,109.74, Observer, publications – 202.24, Petersen Plumbing, televise sewer lines – 280.00, Sandry Fire Supply, equipment – 634.30, Technology Solutions, HDMI cable- 14.99, USA Blue Book, chlorine pump supplies – 770.22, Wendling Quarries, rock – 366.27, Wheatland Repair, fire truck maintenance – 215.00, WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee – 2,575.00

Gross Wages:

\$ 11,791.31

Revenues:

General Fund – 11,266.65 Employee Benefits – 358.66, Road Use – 5,875.92, Debt Service –428.78, Water – 6,136.60, Sewer – 47,276.62 Garbage – 3,639.78 Recycling – 1,050.32

Total Revenues – 76,033.03

Expenses:

General Fund –19,752.76, Employee Benefits – 1,190.91, Road Use – 44,634.38, Water – 8,450.20, Sewer – 116,642.84 Garbage – 3,395.60 Recycling – 820.30 Debt Service – 0.00 **Total Expenses – 194,886.69**

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Schnede with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

Todd Kinney, Clinton County Engineer, was present to discuss the repairs to the culvert on **County Road Y4E**. The road will be open with temporarily repairs within the next week. The shoulders will be soft and citizens should use caution when travelling the road. Permanent repairs are scheduled for fall of 2013 but may not be done until summer of 2014 depending on funding, The road is covered by Federal Highway Relief Project.

Chance Kness of Clinton County Emergency Management was present to discuss grants that are available to residents that sustained **flood damage**. If the homeowner meets the income guidelines they may qualify for up to \$5,000.00 to replace life essential damaged items. Applications can be filled out each Wednesday at the Carroll Assistance Center with CAP.

Sarah Fosbinder of MSA Professionals was present to update those present on the **I & I project**. Most work is complete. The asphalt contractor has not scheduled a firm date for road repairs. An estimated repair date of August 1st was discussed. Motion to approve the pay request A3 for \$32,580.26 was made by Stankee with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

The **Wastewater treatment facility** – pilot testing will be done with hopes that the BIO Reef project can move forward.

Public forum – Aaron Rohwedder was present to ask the council for clarification regarding if a city alley runs behind his property at 303 E. Lincolnway. Rohwedder requested permission to connect a drainage tube for a sump pump to the storm drain adjacent to his property at 303 E. Lincolnway. Rohwedder was given permission to connect the drain.

Sharon Werner requested clean up of the corn stalks and debris in the alley adjacent to 110 Buchanan Street. Questions were raised as to whether this property is an alley. Ganzer was instructed to contact the city attorney to get clarification on both locations.

Kay Elevator building permit was tabled.

A motion to contact JJJ Enterprises to televise the current drainage system in the alley of the 100 block of W. Lincolnway & W. Washington Street for location of fiber optic cables was made by Schnede with a second by Woolard. All ayes.

During discussion regarding the **citywide clean up** a motion to approve forming a committee of council members, the clerk and interested citizens that are property owners was made by Woolard with a second by Rohling. All ayes. The committee will be an advisory committee only and will make recommendations to the council at monthly meetings.

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Office** spent 61.62 hours in the city of Wheatland from May 26, 2013 through June 25, 2013 while on patrol they issued 1 warning, handled 5 incidents and answered 12 calls.

Reports – Ganzer discussed ordering picnic tables for the park as soon as possible. Woolard will attend the Clinton County Fair for the unveiling of the community barn quilts. Ganzer noted that the Lion's have had more banners destroyed at the softball field. Lion's members asked the city maintenance to keep an eye on the park and report anything suspicious.

Mayor Noel inquired what the council intended to do about potholes in the alley. He did not feel that filling the holes repeatedly as helping solve the long term problem.

Mayor Noel inquired if the phone and answering machine at the maintenance shed is repaired. Cavey noted that the answering machine is bad and he will purchase a new one.

Woolard asked that the weeds along the creek be trimmed back more frequently. Woolard also noted that 209 E. Vine Street has bushes growing across the sidewalk and their dog needs to be tied so that it can not relieve it's self on the sidewalk or reach people walking on the sidewalk.

A motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. was made by Stankee with a second by Steele. All ayes.

Attest:

Virgil Noel, Mayor

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Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk