Wheatland City Council Proceedings November 11, 2013

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

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the October 14th meeting and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to Meeting:

941 Tax - 2,465.39, IPERS - 1,550.21, State of Iowa, withholding tax - 424.00, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, Matt Cavey policy - 1.215.40, Petty cash, water deposit refund - 180.89

Accounts Payable for Meeting

Acco, chemicals - 307.80, Amy Softa, books - 29.95, Baker & Taylor, books - 276.30, Bancard, utility billing - 210.54, Clinton Humane Society, boarding & euthanasia 2 cats - 100.00, Clinton County Sheriff's Office, contract - 1,274.84, Company One, fire extinguisher testing - 153.00,, Darrel Levien, repair to lawn at 109 W. Lincolnway - 595.00, Data Tech, annual support agreement & license fee - 2,539.05 F & B Communications, telephone – 325.20, First Trust & Savings Bank, fire truck payment - 1,402.99 Harry's, sample shipping - 23.50, Jayson Cavey, cell phone - 25.00, Jill Bachus, mileage, books. DVD's - 187.89, JJJ Enterprises, water shut off repairs & lagoon outflow pipe - 2,091.80, John Deere Financial, tractor maintenance - 349.33, John Peavey, legal fees - 100.00, Keystone Labs, sample testing - 365.60 Laurie Ganzer, cell phone, budget workshop, clean supplies - 61.99, Lowden Plumbing & Heating, fixtures for water dept. - 42.18, Matt Cavey, cell phone - 25.00, Micro Marketing, books - 116.95 Midwest Breathing Air, annual PM, 348.40, MSA Professionals, WWTF plan amendment - 564.00 Observer, publications - 128.70, Sandry, fire fighter gear - 1,558.14, Schimburg, parts sewer repair -292.54, Staples, office supplies – 318.41, Wendling Quarries, rock – 752.16, WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee - 2,623.50, Wheatland Repair, fire truck maintenance - 310.00, Wheatland Wire, publications - 25.00

Gross Wages:

\$ 10,568.11

Revenues:

General Fund - 60,455.18, Employee Benefits - 5,3954.93, Road Use - 8,086.12, Debt Service -5,904.82, Water - 6,049.51, Sewer - 30,236.56, Garbage - 3,484.83, Recycling - 987.98 Total Revenues - 120.600.93

Expenses:

General Fund -14.858.23, Employee Benefits - 1,153.33, Road Use - 2,185.04 Debt Service - 0.00 Water - 4,305.80, Sewer - 4,434.61, Garbage - 3,382.68, Recycling - 807.64 Total Expenses -31,127.33

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Rohling with a second by Woolard. All ayes. Public Forum – Steve Hebeler asked for clarification regarding the letter he received about

correspondence with the city.

Clean up letter responses: Steve Hebeler, Kent Hoffman, Nancy Agnew, Todd Rohing, Barb Jesse, Mike Weise and Marilyn Dehner either spoke or provided written correspondence for the clean up notices they received. Those discussing the issue were offended or just confused about the notice they received. The council was advised by those present, that there is a more courteous way to discuss issues with citizens to clean up their property. Council member Steele stated he felt it would be more beneficial to go door to door and discuss issues with citizens so that people understand what creates a nuisance. The Council was cautioned by those speaking that they need to act carefully when determining what constitutes a nuisance. A motion to table all items on the clean up list until spring was made by Woolard with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

A motion to approve gravel along Jackson Street Place was made by Schnede with a second by Stankee, All aves.

A motion to take no action on the complaint from Sharon Westerhof regarding parking and snow issues at 212 W. Lincolnway as no violation exists was made by Schnede with a second Stankee. All ayes.

A motion to accept the bid from JJJ Enterprises for repairs to the alley between West Washington and West Lincolnway in the 100 block in the amount of \$3,341.00 plus the additional expense for 6" tile rather than 4" was made by Schnede with a second by Stankee. All aves.

The sewer line repair at 212 S. Bennett Street was tabled.

A motion to **amend the contract for the CDBG grant to exclude the WWTF improvements** and close the contract for the I & I reduction project was made by Stankee with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

A motion to **approve Karen Proesch for a seat on the library board** was made by Rohling with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

A motion to approve the Wheatland Fire Department to automatically respond for mutual aid on all structure fires or car accidents with Calamus in their territory was made by Rohling with a second by Woolard. All ayes.

At 7:47 p.m. a motion to go into closed session regarding utility account 150000 was made by Schnede with a second by Stankee. All ayes.

At 7:52 p.m. a motion to go back into open session was made by Schnede with a second by Stankee. All ayes.

A motion to approve having a settlement drafted and reviewed by the city attorney for **utility account 150000** and signed by all parties if approved by the city attorney was made by Woolard with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Department** spent 48.28 hours in the city of Wheatland from September 26, 2013 through October 25, 2013 while on patrol they issued 2 warnings, handled 3 incidents and answered 7 calls.

Reports –

Fuel tanks are being removed at the old R K Oil station, no parking signs need to be ordered for placement by the response trailer at the fire station, lights at the fire station need replaced.

A motion to adjourn at 8:09 p.m. was made by Schnede with a second by Stankee. All ayes.

Attest:

Virgil Noel, Mayor

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk