

MINUTE RECORD

CITY OF WEEPING WATER CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS MARCH 14, 2005

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Weeping Water was convened in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on March 14, 2005 at City Hall. Mayor Howard Stubbendieck called the meeting to order with Council members Bob McCaulley, Larry Bauers and Ray Frew answering roll. Absent: Melody Falcone.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places in the City on March 11, 2005.

Minutes of the February 14 and February 28, 2005 meetings were approved as written.

Darrel Mather presented copies of several informative articles regarding fluoridation for members of the council to review, due to pending legislation regarding fluoridation regulations.

Following review of bids received for walk through doors at the Fire and Rescue Building and at City Hall, a motion was made by Bauers, seconded by McCaulley to approve the bid to replace two doors in the Rescue Building and one door in the Fire Building. Motion carried unanimously. It was noted that replacement of the front door of City Hall was postponed for a later date, due to budget concerns.

Motion by Bauers, seconded by Frew to approve the application of Lisa Jorn to the Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McCaulley, seconded by Bauers to approve Randy Jones and Justin Backhaus as members of the Rescue Squad, both having completed the Ride-a-long Program. Motion by Bauers, seconded by Frew to approve the application of Kurt Powles as a member of the Rescue Squad, and to waive Article 4, Section B of the Rescue Squad By-Laws regarding completion of the Ride-a-long program as a prerequisite for membership to allow for enrollment in the April EMT Class, as he is currently an active member of the Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously. Rescue Squad roster updates included notification that Betty Harms has taken retired status, having been an active member since 1983 and that Lalainia Fletcher has resigned from the squad.

Rescue Chief, Chuck Cook briefly discussed replacement of the secondary rescue unit with action being tabled for further review.

James Wall presented a proposal regarding the Renegades, a semi-pro football team that would like to play their home football games at the Weeping Water Football field. The City Council

felt the proposal would be beneficial to the community and agreed to meet with the appropriate officials of the school to pursue said proposal.

The Monthly Police Activity Report was presented for council review, noting that 164 hours were patrolled during the month. Concerns addressed with County Deputies included the safety hazard of trucks parking on Garfield Street awaiting entrance to PCS Phosphate gates, the suggestion for a more appropriate location of handling the recent alcohol sting rather in the school parking lot during a school function, and complaints regarding the issues of the Consumer Connection being left in residents' yards throughout the community.

The Monthly Water/Wastewater Report and the Monthly Maintenance Report were presented for council review.

Following discussion on the progress of the restroom/shower building at the City Lake area, a motion was made by McCaulley, seconded by Frew to pursue the purchase of two pay showers in said building, not to exceed \$1,600 plus installation. Motion carried with McCaulley and Frew voting aye. Nays: Bauers.

The Monthly Health Board Report included the following updates: Meisinger-City Attorney to set Default Hearing; Thomas lawsuit-hearing date has been set on March 21, 2005; Taylor and SENAHC properties-city to contract for the appropriate cleaning of both properties, with city costs to be assessed to property owners; Wolfe and Kerans properties-City Attorney to send nuisance letters. Discussion was held regarding several unlicensed and/or wrecked vehicles in the city, which will continue to be monitored. Members of the Council were advised that the owner of the burned trailer on River Street has agreed to disassemble the remains and adequately clean the property, with work on the same proposed to commence within the next month. It was also noted that plans are in progress for the disassembly and removal of remains of the Hickey trailer on East "F" Street.

The City Attorney advised that he is still researching appropriate information regarding the proposals of parking limitations on city streets during inclement weather and considering limitation of the number of vehicles parked on private property.

Motion by Bauers, seconded by McCaulley to approve the request of Richard Nichols, d/b/a Hopkins Tavern for a Special Liquor Permit to operate a beer garden behind the premises for a fishing tournament to be held in Weeping Water the last Saturday in April. Motion carried unanimously.

The Clerk reminded members of the Council that implementation of the city sales tax will become effective April 1, 2005.

Following review of the Cass County Nebraska Department of Homeland Security Grant Application Package, a motion was made by Frew, seconded by Bauers to adopt Resolution No. 05-6, which authorizes city approval for submittal of the same. Motion carried unanimously.

Various items addressed included an update of the city lake improvements; the annual Pet Vaccination/Licensing Clinic has been scheduled for Saturday April 16, 2005 from 9-11 a.m. at the Fire Barn; annual City Cleanup Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 7 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; city officials and personnel to schedule a time to clean up the remaining brush at the city well site; county landfill planning; agreeing to keep the new concession stand by the baseball field closed during the football season; agreeing to advertise for bids for the operation of the concession stand for the upcoming baseball season; agreeing to make alterations to the east ball field gate entrance to allow for walk through access year round.

Copies of the Library Board and Housing Board Minutes were presented for Council review.

Motion by McCaulley, seconded by Frew to approve the proposal of A-1 Sweeping for annual city-wide street cleaning at a cost of \$3,480. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bauers seconded by McCaulley to purchase six cigarette urns, at a cost of \$19.00 each, to be placed in various locations in the city. Motion carried unanimously.

Following review of applications received for summer maintenance employment positions, a motion was made by Bauers seconded by Frew to approve the hiring of Myron Richardson at \$8.50 per hour, Jeff Sorensen at \$8.00 per hour and Brian Lawrence at \$7.50 per hour. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Frew, seconded by Bauers to contribute \$150.00 toward promotional advertisement in the Pride & Progress 2005 edition of the Plattsmouth Journal, requesting review of the proposed ad prior to publication. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom Farrell of Miller-Monroe-Farrell provided an update of specific insurance issues for annual renewal of insurance coverage on city property. Following discussion of the same, a motion was made by Bauers, seconded by McCaulley to make the following changes in insurance coverage for the ensuing year: delete full coverage and carry only liability coverage on all street vehicles except the 1997 Chevy Pickup, which will retain full coverage; increase deductibles on said pickup to \$250/Comp and \$500/Collision; increase deductibles to \$2,500 on all building and contents. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bauers, seconded by McCaulley to accept the following claims: Salaries-5518.98; Alltel, util-647.43; OPPD, util-2492.97; Aquila, util-1519.80; Ameritas, emp ben-544.20; Farmers & Merchants Bank, whlg, s/c-1509.87; Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, whlg-158.32; Stubbendick Implement, equip-1700.00; Svoboda & Chebatoris, prof-1243.01; United Healthcare, ins-1053.98; Paving Bond pmt-4185.00; PeopleService, prof-10110.00; Cass County Refuse, reimb-8459.00; Great Plains One Call, serv-7.00; Post Office, pstg-148.00; Bill Bowes, resc. trng-173.00; J. Donham, reimb-150.00; The Journal, publ, subsc-148.89; Better Business Equipment, maint-110.00; Miller-Monroe-Farrell, ins-9853.00; Reliable, off sup-266.13; American Legal Publishing, prof-104.00; WW Express Lane, fuel, maint-273.51; Meeske Hardware, rep/maint-352.88; Meeske Auto Part, rep-5.54; Keckler Oil Co., fuel, rep-138.54; R&R Wilson Welding, cap imp-1600.00; Olsson Associates, prof-41.25; Travelers, ins pmt-10.00; Keckler Bottle Garden, maint-13.48; Shaffer Communications, equip-1706.45; Fire

Extrication Haz-Mat Billing, reimb-100.00; Cass County Sheriff, prof-2711.80; EMS Billing, reimb-686.97; Alliance Medical, sup-108.28; HHS Regulations, pool permit-40.00; Lawn Order, maint-1644.20; Farmers National, lake imp-11050.00; Art on Display, lake imp sign-580.00; Ingram Library Service, bks-466.70; Nickelodeon, bks-19.97; Jan Aronson, mlg reimb-27.54; Menards, sup-145.86; B&R Wallrock, st imp-1957.50; Jacobson Helgoth, prof-2015.55; Chuck Cook, mlg reimb-61.56; Anderson Ford, rep-132.00; Fireguard, sup-225. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bauers, seconded by McCaulley to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

/s/ Howard Stubbendieck, Mayor

/s/ Kay Gerdes, City Clerk