

MINUTE RECORD

CITY OF WEEPING WATER MONTHLY MEETING AUGUST 13, 2007

Mayor Howard Stubbendieck called the monthly meeting of the Weeping Water City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 13, 2007 at City Hall with the following members of the Council answering roll: Bob McCaulley, Melody Falcone, Mitch Miller and Ray Frew. Absent: None. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the August 2, 2007 edition of the Plattsmouth Journal. The location of the posting of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced by the Mayor. Minutes of the July 9, 2007 meeting were approved as presented.

Several residents who reside along a portion of East Park Street were in attendance to address the proposed parking restrictions along said street. Following discussion of the same, it was agreed by all that the proposed parking restrictions were not necessary. It was, however, decided to have the Street Committee assess the recommendation of posting three-way stop signs at the intersection of Barnett and East Park Streets to help curb speeding concerns in said area and present for consideration at the September meeting.

Representatives of the City Lake Committee presented information regarding constructed bridges that might be available to span the city lakes. Following discussion of the same, it was agreed to pursue a structure that would be compatible to the proposed Weeping Water Trail Bridge and to obtain the City Engineer's recommendation regarding appropriate footings and span length.

The Monthly Rescue Squad Report was presented by Chuck Cook, noting 18 calls were made during the past month resulting in 89 man hours. Recent election of officers for the Rescue Squad resulted in the following: Chief-Chuck Cook; Assistant Chief-Justin Backhaus; Secretary-Jean Thomassen; Treasurer-Tim Switzer and Training Officer-Charlene Moats, all of which met with full council approval. Discussion of proposed legislation regarding transmittal of Narsis forms was addressed and will continue to be monitored.

The Monthly Police Activity Report was presented, in which it was noted that 181 hours were patrolled during the month, which resulted in 43 calls of service with 14 citations and 7 warnings being issued. Members of the Council were updated on the recent vandalism incidents and advised to consider refining city ordinances regarding skateboarding restrictions to clearly exclude the use of the same on public streets and sidewalks.

The Monthly Fire Activity Report was presented for council review, noting that there were 6 fire calls during the month. Vehicle maintenance and budget needs were addressed and will be taken under advisement. Motion by McCaulley to deny the Fire Department application of Stephanie Jones, which motion died for lack of a second. As there was no motion to accept said application, no action was taken. Motion by Miller, seconded by Falcone to table the Fire Department application of Zackary Coon, pending receipt of the background check.

Copies of the Monthly Water/Wastewater Report and Maintenance Reports were presented for council review. New regulations regarding the coliform level limits at the Wastewater Treatment Plant were addressed and will continue to be pursued appropriately. A detailed list of the proposed street improvements was distributed with action on the same being tabled for further review.

A report of Monthly Health Board Activity resulted in the following: Motion by Miller, seconded by Falcone to accept the request of Richard Ashlock to extend the completion date on his building permit to July 30, 2008. Motion carried unanimously. Assessments of previously addressed properties were provided with the Council agreeing to table any action to allow for continued progress prior to pursuing appropriate legal action for those properties not yet in compliance with city codes.

Ben Day of Olsson Associates provided an update on the progress of the Weeping Water Trail Project. He advised that he will pursue requesting an extension of the state deadline schedules, due to unexpected delays in the acquisition process of a portion of the property on which the trail is to be located.

Ongoing old business included the following: High Street-awaiting completion of survey; Uncompleted street repairs-to be completed by Norm Patzel by September 1, 2007; and acquisition of property for a new compost and brush disposal site is still pending.

Following discussion regarding the usage of golf carts and ATVs in the city limits, the City Attorney advised that ATV restrictions in the city limits will be covered in the recently adopted LB307, which becomes effective September 1, 2007. He further advised that he will pursue preparation of an appropriate ordinance pertaining to the operation of golf carts in the city limits.

It was agreed not to pursue the hiring of a City Code Enforcement Officer and to reinforce the city policy that only signed written complaints received by the City Council will be addressed.

Motion by Frew, seconded by Miller to approve the renewal of the city's membership with Southeast Nebraska Development District for the fiscal year 2008 at a cost of \$1,275 per year. Motion carried unanimously. It was agreed to deny the request of SENDD for support in the Nebraska Affordable Housing Program.

Following review of the previously proposed water rate schedule, the City Attorney was

authorized to prepare appropriate ordinances for the September meeting to proceed with monthly billing for water, sewer and garbage services and to reflect the proposed water rate increases, with the effective date for the same being October 1, 2007.

Upon review of budget proposals for the ensuing fiscal year, it was agreed by the Council to set the budget hearing for September 10, 2007 at 5:45 p.m.

The proposed ban of pit bulls in the city limits was discussed, but tabled for further review.

It was mutually agreed not to pursue information received regarding the availability of additional outdoor warning sirens.

It was noted that sales tax revenue previously allocated by the Sales Tax Committee would not be utilized for additional ball park ground at this time, and it was agreed to request that said funds be reallocated to assist with costs for the bridge which will span the City Lakes.

Members of the council were updated on the Auditorium building renovation plans and discussed proposed usage of the building, as additional space will be available in the lower level.

It was agreed by the Council to pursue the distribution of a Community Attitude Survey during the month of September in order to actively pursue available Community Development Block Grant funds for community infrastructure.

Information received regarding the proposed Spur 13K improvements was distributed for Council review.

A public hearing was set for September 10, 2007 immediately following the budget hearing to consider the application for approval of a replat of the Rehmeier Subdivision.

Motion by Falcone, seconded by Miller to accept the following claims: Salaries 12090.53; Alltel, util-102.44; Aquila, util-150.92; OPPD, util-4493.48; Kansas State Bank, equip pmt-770.62; Purchase Power, pstg-310.24; Svoboda & Chebatoris, prof-1351.19; United Healthcare, ins-1559.04; Windstream, util-603.12; Aflac, emp ben-26.62; Ameritas, emp ben-775.69; Farmers & Merchants Bank, whlg-2931.15; Nebr. Dept. of Revenue, sls tx, whlg-1825.60; Cass County Refuse, reimb-7800.00; PeopleService, prof-10862.00; Baburek Computer Service, maint-349.99; Umpire Fees: D. Mason-20.00, K. Flanagan-25.00, M. Wilson-15.00, W. Wilson-20.00, C Kirchhoff-30.00, D. Parson-455.00, K. White-30.00; Journal Consumer Connection, publ-112.35; Better Business Equipment, sup-104.00; Meeske Auto Parts, rep/maint-14.43; Stop N Shop, fuel, maint-854.89; Fleet Services, fuel-379.15; Olsson Associates, prof-3375.98; Cass County Sheriff, prof-2711.80; J. Donham, animal control-125.12; Allmed, sup-205.69; Linweld, sup-34.30; Midwest Vehicle Professionals, rep-60.05; Jon Ukishima, trng-176.19; Greg Chamberlain, trng-198.95; Blue Cross Blue Shield, resc reimb-276.63; Papillion Fire & Rescue, ALS reimb-873.40; EMS Billing, reimb-580.05;

Aqua Chem, sup-546.42; Frenzel Trenching, maint-270.00; Amsan, sup-40.40; Husker Chem Sales, maint-1073.25; M&M Portables, maint-125.51; Baker & Taylor Books, bks-570.57; Xerox, maint-15.75; D. Henley, maint-60.00; WW Public Library, reimb-474.50; R&S Htg and A/C, rep/maint-381.00; Dale P. Nielsen, maint, imp-2628.82; Reliable Office Supplies, sup-75.44; Meeske Hardware, rep/maint-406.44; Great Plains One Call, serv-5.05; Snow Dog Printing, off sup-264.35; Mike Barrett, ball scheduling-280.00; HSBC Business Solution, equip-355.44; WW Express Lane, sup-144.50; Galls, sup-190.96; Solar Illuminations, imp-434.98. It was noted that the July claim for Follett Software Company in the amount of \$474.50 was voided, as the Library Board paid the claim and reimbursement to the Library Board for the same is included in the August claims. Motion carried unanimously.

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

/s/ Howard Stubbendieck, Mayor

/s/ Kay Gerdes, City Clerk