

The Council met in regular session and in compliance with agenda posted at City Hall, Post Office and First National Bank with each Council member being notified of agenda prior to the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Daryl Reitmajer at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor informed the public of the location of posting of the Open Meetings Law. Roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Merle Hennings, Gerry Tyler, Diana Vasicek, Jerry Johnson, Jim Svoboda, and Janet Jonas.

The Mayor called for comments on items not listed on the agenda. Harrell reported the Lower Platte North NRD would be hosting Hazard Mitigation public hearings and information on the hearing dates is available at City Hall. Harrell also reported a letter had been received by the City from the NDOR regarding the Wahoo East Expressway project. The letter indicated that section of road is no longer eligible for Expressway status as the traffic count amount has been changed from 6,000 ADT to 10,000 ADT and there is not that much traffic on the road.

The Mayor called for Council Committee reports. Johnson reported the NCIP committee had met and was working on a public facilities committee to meet to discuss future plans for the Saunders County Hospital property, the Civic Center, Kennedy College and Hackberry Park. Johnson reported the Annexation Committee would be meeting after the Council meeting to discuss an overlay district document for possible inclusion in the City of Wahoo Zoning Regulations. He indicated there would be presentation of a timeline at the next Council meeting as well. Johns reported the City Hall Remodeling group is still working on coming up with a roofing solution. Hennings reported the BPW had met and authorized proceeding with the UV light treatment project for the WWTP. Svoboda reported the Street Committee had met to discuss the removal of a potentially hazardous tree. Jonas reported the Finance Committee would soon be working on budget.

Tim Rice requested discussion on the trash and litter on Maple Street between 5th & 6th Streets. He indicated he had been picking up garbage everyday from the youth hanging out along the street. He requested something be done about the littering – possibly a surveillance camera or tickets for littering. He reported there has been several instances of vandalism as well. Council indicated they would discuss the issue with the Police Department to determine what could be done to encourage clean up and compliance with the laws.

A motion was made by Jonas, seconded by Vasicek, to authorize the purchase of a 2008 minivan for the Senior Citizens Handi-Van Program in the amount of \$35,800 on the state bid contract. Roll call vote: Jonas, yes; Vasicek, yes; Hennings, yes; Tyler, yes; Johnson, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Motion carried.

Mike Murren with the Lower Platte North NRD was present to give the Council an update on the Lake Wanahoo Project. He reported an agreement had been reached between the NRD and the State regarding the construction of the dam portion of the project. He reviewed the proposed agreement with the Council and explained it would secure \$3.57 million toward the project. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Tyler to authorize the Mayor to enter in to the agreement between the Lower Platte North NRD, City of Wahoo, Saunders County and the Nebraska Department of Roads regarding the Construction of the Sand Creek Environmental Restoration Project and the Wahoo Bypass project (PROJECT S-77-2(1025)). Roll call vote: Johnson, yes; Tyler, yes; Hennings, yes; Vasicek, yes; Svoboda, yes; and Jonas, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jonas, seconded by Svoboda, to approve the following appointments made by the Mayor: Tim Rice, Wahoo Library Board, term expiring June 2011; Mark Sutton and Chad Aldrich, Board of Adjustments, term expiring July 2011; and Dr. Thomas Hart, Eric Gottschalk, and Dan Bunjer, Planning Commission, term expiring July 2011. Roll call vote: Jonas, yes; Svoboda, yes; Hennings, yes; Vasicek, yes; Tyler, yes; and Johnson, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on a possible resolution to authorize the placement of “No Parking” signs on the south side of Westdale Lane from Hackberry Street to Hickory Circle. Bob Spicka was present and indicated he did not have any problems with the proposed resolution but would like to still be able to park in front of his house on the south side of Westdale Lane. A motion was made by Jonas, seconded by Svoboda to NOT proceed with the resolution. Roll call vote: Jonas, yes; Svoboda, yes; Hennings, yes; Vasicek, yes; Tyler, no; and Johnson, yes. Motion carried.

The following resolution, Resolution No. 2008-15 was introduced by Tyler who moved for its approval, seconded by Jonas:

“WHEREAS, the City of Wahoo did hire JEO Consulting Group to complete a Drainage Study of a drainage area which includes property in the north central area of Wahoo defined as the “Chestnut North Drainage Area” in the study, and

WHEREAS, the Chestnut North Drainage Study was presented to the Council and accepted at the October 11, 2007 meeting, and

WHEREAS, several drainage solutions were proposed in the study including one which would address drainage issues and concerns in Shadow Ridge Estates as well as accommodate future growth to the north, including Sycamore Hills, which was defined as the “Open Channel Improvements Upstream of Chestnut Street”, and

WHEREAS, a Subdivision Agreement between the City of Wahoo and Sycamore Hills developers is in place, committing the developer to an amount of \$7,673.62 to be used to improve downstream drainage issues, and

WHEREAS, the City of Wahoo is eligible to apply for and possible receive Hazard Mitigation Funds through the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and

WHEREAS, a grant application was prepared and submitted to NEMA for review and eligibility for Hazard Mitigation Funds for costs of engineering, design and construction of the “Open Channel Improvements Upstream of Chestnut Street”, and

WHEREAS, part of the grant application is a commitment from the local agency for the 25% local share of the project, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The total project cost for the “Open Channel Improvements Upstream of Chestnut Street” are estimated to be \$93,032 (75% hazard mitigation Funds, 25% local agency funds).
2. The 25% local agency match for this project is \$23,258 with the sources listed below:
 - a. Grant application preparation (eligible for reimbursement) \$6,500
 - b. Contribution from Sycamore Hills developer \$7,674
 - c. City of Wahoo FY 2008-09 budget \$9,084”

Roll call vote: Tyler, yes; Jonas, yes; Hennings, yes; Vasicek, yes; Johnson, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jonas, seconded by Vasicek to authorize the Wahoo Library to close Maple Street between 6th & 7th on Friday, August 8th between 5:00p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Jonas, yes; Vasicek, yes; Hennings, yes; Tyler, yes; Johnson, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jonas, seconded by Johnson to approve Jason Holtz as a member of the Wahoo Volunteer Fire Department. Roll call vote: Jonas, yes; Johnson, yes; Hennings, yes; Vasicek, yes; Tyler, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the deteriorating condition of the Kennedy Campus grounds. Johnson indicated he had a group of volunteers that would soon be meeting to discuss this property along with the Saunders County Hospital, Civic Center and Hackberry Ballfields. No action taken.

A motion was made by Jonas, seconded by Vasicek to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda: Minutes of June 12, 2008 and the following licenses: Tom Trainor, Trainor Plumbing, Lincoln, plumber; Robert Chvatal, Wahoo, plumber; and James Cloyed, Cloyed Htg & AC, Wahoo, mechanical. Roll call vote: Jonas, yes; Vasicek, yes; Hennings, yes; Tyler, yes; Johnson, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jonas, seconded by Johnson to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Approved: _____, 2008.

Melissa M. Harrell, Clerk

Daryl Reitmajer, Mayor