

The Council met in regular session and in compliance with agenda posted at City Hall, Post Office and First Bank of Nebraska with each Council member being notified of agenda prior to the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Loren Lindahl 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: Mike Lawver, Greg Kavan, Gerry Tyler, Stuart Krejci, and Jim Svoboda. Kevin Dunbar was absent.

The Mayor issued a proclamation declaring March as Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

Motion made by Kavan, seconded by Lawver, to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda:

1. Excused absence of Dunbar
2. Minutes of February 9, 2017 meeting of the Mayor and Council
3. Approval of Shawn Carlson as a member of Wahoo Volunteer Fire Department
4. Acceptance of Annual Keno report for FY 2015-16

Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

Lawver reported the Street Committee met. Tyler reported Board of Public Works met. Svoboda reported the Wahoo Airport Authority met.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. on the Six Year Road and Street Plan for the City of Wahoo. Steve Parr of JEO Consulting Group discussed the projects depicted in the plan. No public comments offered. Motion by Kavan, seconded by Krejci, to close the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; Lawver, yes; and Tyler, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

Council member Kavan introduced the following resolution, **Resolution 2017-03**, and moved for its approval, seconded by Lawver,

“WHEREAS, the City Street Superintendent has prepared and presented a One Year and Six Year Plan for Street Improvement Program for the City of Wahoo, Nebraska, and
WHEREAS, a public meeting was held on the 23rd day of February, 2017, to present this plan and there were no objections to said plan;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Mayor and City Council of Wahoo, Nebraska, that the plans and data as furnished are hereby in all things accepted and adopted.”

Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:11 p.m. on application for Conditional Use permit to install electronic message display sign on existing pole sign on property described as the North 70 feet of Lots 10-12, Block 36, South Wahoo Addition, commonly known as 141 South Chestnut, as filed by Tri-City Sign Company and Fubar LLC, in NRC Zoning District. Joe Grenfell with Runza addressed the Council. Beavers reported the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed sign, which is mounted on a non-conforming pole sign, and does meet size limitations. Motion by Kavan, seconded by Lawver, to close the public hearing at 7:20 p.m. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried. Conditions for sign were discussed, to maintain

structure in compliance with building and electrical codes, and comply with requirements of Wahoo zoning regulations for operation and display of electronic message board components.

Ordinance No. 2237 was introduced by Lawver entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAHOO AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP BY ALLOWING A PERMITTED CONDITIONAL USE, SIGN WITH ELECTRONIC MESSAGE DISPLAY IN NRC ZONING, ON THE NORTH 70 FEET OF LOTS 10-12, BLOCK 36, SOUTH WAHOO ADDITION. The Mayor then instructed the Clerk to read Ordinance No. 2237 of the City of Wahoo, Nebraska. The Clerk thereupon read the aforesaid Ordinance No. 2237 by title.

Council Member Kavan moved that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and adoption of ordinances be suspended so that the said ordinance might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting. Council Member Tyler seconded said motion. The Mayor put the question and instructed the Clerk to call for the roll for the vote thereon. The Clerk called the roll and the following was the vote on the motion to suspend the rules: Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; and Lawver, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried. The motion having been carried by the affirmative votes of no less than three-fourths of the members of the Council, the Mayor declared the statutory rules in regards to the passage and approval of ordinance be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2237 may be read by title and moved for final passage in the same meeting.

Council Member Lawver moved that Ordinance No. 2237 be approved and passed and its title agreed to. Council Member Svoboda seconded the motion. The Mayor instructed the Clerk to call the roll for the vote and the following was the vote on this motion: Lawver, yes; Svoboda, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred then by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted and the Mayor, in the presence of the Council, signed and approved the Ordinance and Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed signatures thereto. The Mayor ordered the Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form and that said Ordinance be kept in a separate and distinct Ordinance volume record, and that said and distinct Volume be incorporated and made a part of these proceedings the same as though it was read at large herein.

Troy Johnston of JEO Consulting Group presented plans and specifications for the 12th Street Intersections Project. Motion by Lawver, seconded by Kavan, to approve the plans and specifications for the 12th Street Intersections Project, and authorize calling for bids for the project. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

Harrell and Anderson reported on fees for rescue services, which are comparable with fees charged by surrounding agencies. Per Statute the governing body must authorize billing for EMS services each calendar year.

Motion by Svoboda, seconded by Krejci, to authorize the Wahoo Rescue Squad to solicit, charge, or collect funds, fees, or charges for services, as required under NE Statute 35-901, and that current rates remain in effect. Roll call vote: Svoboda, yes; Krejci, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; and Tyler, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

Harrell and Anderson reported one response was received in response to the Request for Proposals for a new rescue squad. Motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Krejci, to authorize the purchase of new rescue squad for Wahoo EMS for \$195,150. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; Kavan, yes; and Tyler, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

Reports of operating deficits of the aquatic center for the past several years were reviewed. Motion was made by Kavan, seconded by Svoboda, to approve transfer of \$22,819 to Wahoo Parks and Recreation for the 2016 Aquatics Center operating deficit. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Svoboda, yes; Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; and Krejci, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

Harrell reported that due to refinancing of bonds and better than expected sales tax revenues, it will be possible to pay off the Aquatic Center bonds early, saving about \$360,000.

Council member Kavan introduced the following resolution, **Resolution 2017-04**, and moved for its approval, seconded by Lawver,

“BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Wahoo, Nebraska, as follows:

Section 1. That the following bonds are hereby called for redemption under the provisions for call as set out in the bonds and in the ordinance authorizing issuance of the Bonds, at par plus accrued interest on April 1, 2017 after which date said bonds shall cease to bear interest:

Aquatic Center Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, Date of original issue April 12, 2010, in the remaining total principal amount of \$290,000 consisting of \$100,000 becoming due December 1, 2017 (CUSIP # 930578 AX7), \$100,000 becoming due December 1, 2018 (CUSIP # 930578 AY5), and \$90,000 becoming due December 1, 2019 (CUSIP # 930578 AZ2) issued by the City to refund outstanding Series 2004 Bonds, date of original issue December 1, 2004. This is a full call of the balance of the above described Series 2010 Bonds.

Section 2. Said bonds are payable at the office of the Treasurer of the City of Wahoo, in Wahoo, Nebraska as Paying Agent and Registrar.

Section 3. A copy of this resolution shall be filed at least 30 days prior to the date of call with the Treasurer of the City of Wahoo, Nebraska, as Paying Agent and Registrar and said Paying Agent and Registrar is hereby instructed to give notice of redemption in the manner provided for in the ordinance authorizing said bonds.”

Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Absent and not voting: Dunbar. Motion carried.

The Mayor was excused from the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Mike Kleffner addressed the Council with safety concerns regarding possible rerouting of a portion of the Safe Routes to School trail project from one side of the street to the other, due to the amount of traffic and speeding on Hackberry Street.

Kleffner stated he wished to file an ADA complaint to the City of Wahoo.

Lawver asked about impact to city sales tax revenue by the closing of Titan Machinery; Harrell noted that purchases for agricultural business were exempted by the legislature two years ago.

Motion by Lawver, seconded by Tyler, to adjourn at 7:39 p.m.

Approved:

Lucinda Morrow, Deputy Clerk

Loren L. Lindahl, Mayor