

Wheatland City Council Proceedings
May 10, 2010

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

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the April 12th meeting, the liquor license for the Wheatland Community Hall and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to Meeting:

FICA	3,040.96
IPERS	1,590.74
State of Iowa - withholding	563.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield – Matt Cavey Health Insurance	917.20

Accounts Payable for Meeting

Alliant Energy, utilities	4,707.53
ACS, firehouse software support	105.00
Jill Bachus, mileage & yearbook purchase	74.36
Baker & Taylor, books	204.87
Bancard, dehumidifier – City Hall, phone - maintenance	178.66
Barco, safety equipment	94.77
Jayson Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Matt Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Clinton County Sheriff's Dept., contract & citation delivery	1,234.90
Chemsearch, chemicals	662.06
Consumer Report, subscription	26.00
Conoco Phillips, fuel	694.37
Demco, library cataloging supplies	50.08
Determann's, cold mix street patch	328.30
Farm Plan, misc vehicles	110.22
F & B Communications, telephone	309.98
First Trust & Savings Bank, fire truck payment	1,402.99
First Trust & Savings Bank, water note	7,025.00
First Trust & Savings Bank, curb & gutter note	22,662.55
Laurie Ganzer, cell phone	25.00
Harry's Farm Tire, tire repair	22.33
John Peavey, ordinance amendment	50.00
Maguire Iron, water tower cleaning	1,250.00
Maintenance Engineering, bulbs	442.47
Micro Marketing, books on tape	50.49
MVTL Laboratories, testing fees	261.20
New Millennium Technology, microfilm toner	208.19
Observer, publishing & library subscription renewal	132.14
Orkin, pest control City Hall	40.00
Perfection Learning, books	348.82
Petersen Insurance, annual policy	11,222.00
Ranger Rick, subscription renewal	19.95

Sports Illustrated Kids, subscription	20.00
Staples, copier/fax for fire dept., toner for City Hall	529.98
Superior Lamp, bulbs	270.76
SRF, sewer note	115,428.30
Wheatland Repair, fire truck maintenance	93.60
WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee	2,237.00

Gross Wages:

\$ 13,841.13

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues:</u>	<u>Expenses:</u>
General Fund	59,669.35	20,284.47
Road Use	5,356.36	2,709.51
Debt Service	12,327.54	0.00
Employee Benefits	4,702.56	1,382.77
Water	5,132.71	5,613.63
Sewer	14,065.74	12,176.98
Garbage	3,213.87	3,251.37
Recycle	1,029.43	1,060.55
Totals	105,497.56	46,479.28

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Rohling with a second by Denahy. All ayes.

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Office** spent 70.62 hours in the City of Wheatland from March 26, 2010 through April 25, 2010 while on patrol they issued 1 citation, 2 warnings, handled 2 incidents and answered 17 calls. Sheriff Lincoln was present at the meeting.

MSA Professionals submitted a written report regarding the status of the **wastewater treatment facility and the water improvement project**. Both projects are on hold due to lack of financing. In June I-jobs funding will be awarded. The council is hopeful that Wheatland will be awarded funds.

During **public forum** Richard Bevans was present to inquire if all citizens are being treated equally regarding various issues. Mayor Noel and the Council informed Mr. Bevan that all complaints are looked at on a case by case basis.

Mr. Bevan also inquired about the city zoning code. Ganzer informed Mr. Bevan that the city does not have a zoning ordinance.

Mr. Bevan noted that a trailer has been parked across the sidewalk on Lincolnway. The owners will be contacted to move the trailer.

Mr. Bevan inquired if the paved parking on Lincolnway within the boulevard can be used by anyone. Mr. Bevan was informed that the parking is available for anyone to use because it is on city property and that the homeowners knew this when they chose to pour the concrete.

Lon Zeller inquired about the status of the illegally placed fence at 100 High Street. Mr. Zeller was informed that the violators have been cited and a court date has not yet been set.

A motion to approve the **Clinton County Sheriff Office contract** for the 2011 fiscal year for \$1,209.60 per month was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

A motion to approve waiving the park rental fee for the **ISU summer extension program** on June 10,17, 24 and July 1, 8, 2010 was made by Patterson with a second by Denahy. All ayes.

During discussion regarding the **4-way stop at Lincolnway and Bennett Street** Cavey was instructed to move the sign on the NE corner back 5 ft. to allow for a larger turning radius.

During discussion regarding the **chain link fence at the old sewer** plant Cavey requested the council not sell the fence because the maintenance department intends to use it. Mayor Noel will tell interested parties that the fence is not for sale.

A motion to approve the second reading of **ordinance 151-10** which is for setting water rates was made by Rohling with a second by Denahy. All ayes.

A motion to approve the second reading of **ordinance 152-10** which is for setting sewer rates for debt retirement was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

A motion to approve the second reading of **ordinance 153-10** which is for setting garbage rates was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. Ayes – Rohling, Patterson, Denahy. Nays – Steele.

A motion to approve the first reading of **ordinance 154-10** which is for updating the parking ordinance was made by Patterson with a second by Steele. All ayes.

During **reports** Cavey relayed a request by the library to put a garbage can by the book drop on Main Street with the hopes that people will use the garbage can rather than the book drop to dispose of garbage. Cavey was instructed to purchase a garbage can for the library.

Cavey submitted a proposal for street repairs. Ganzer will place the item on the June agenda and gather figures needed so that the council can decide what streets will be repaired.

Ganzer inquired if a building permit would be needed for a citizen to construct a ramp to their home. It was decided that a building permit would be necessary due to the fact that the ramp would not be within the setbacks outlined in the building ordinance.

Mayor Noel discussed gravel that has been poorly placed in the boulevards. The council and Mayor Noel instructed Cavey to look at various locations to create swales and correct the drainage.

Mayor Noel inquired when Cavey intended to flush hydrants again. He stated that all hydrants should be opened at least two times per year.

Rohling informed those present that the Belt Buckle Caboose is leaving town. It will be going to a museum in Bell Plain.

At 7:34 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Denahy with a second by Steele. All ayes.

Virgil Noel, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk

