

Wheatland City Council Proceedings
June 9, 2008

Mayor Bopp called the regular council meeting of the Wheatland City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. at Wheatland City Hall with council members Rohling, Prachar, Schnede, Patterson and Denahy present. Also present were city employees Matt Cavey and Laurie Ganzer.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the May 12th meeting, tobacco permits for Desperados, Wheatland Grocery and Big 10 Mart along with the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to June Meeting:

Petty Cash	393.84
FICA	2,266.08
IPERS	835.72
State of Iowa	307.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield – Matt Cavey Health Insurance	657.40
Dixon Fire Department, trash pump	400.00

Accounts Payable for June Meeting

Acco , liquid chlorine	443.70
ACS FireHouse software, support agreement	105.00
Alliant Energy, streetlights	1,038.42
Alliant Energy, fire station	157.60
Alliant Energy, City Hall	47.10
Alliant Energy. Parks	64.15
Alliant Energy, maintenance	142.89
Alliant Energy, water tower	551.73
Alliant Energy, library	196.14
Alliant Energy, WWTF	1,887.18
Baker & Taylor, Books	27.13
Jerry Bopp, mileage	76.76
BSN Sports, fence wraps	464.91
Jayson Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Matt Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Cedar Rapids Welding, compressed air	30.00
Clinton County Sheriff's Dept.	1,038.24
Clinton Humane Society, stray dog boarding	40.00
Conoco – Phillips Fleet, City & Fire truck fuel	955.09
Consumer Report, subscription renewal	26.00
Data Tech, software update	14.00
ECIA, annual dues	355.12
Farm Bureau, annual dues	40.00
Farm Plan, misc. maint. Dept.	279.91
F & B Communications, telephone & equipment for fire dept.	356.86
First Trust & Savings Bank, fire truck payment	1,288.85
Heiman, Inc., fire equipment	697.45
Grainger, lock	39.93
Ron Hermiston Trucking, haul limestone	125.00

ISU, fire training	50.00
IAMU, annual dues	249.12
JJJ Enterprises, haul gravel	116.37
Kirkwood, training – water dept.	375.00
Leeper Construction, concrete floor @ maintenance shed	6,300.00
Kyle Mason, fire equipment	75.26
Micro Marketing, books	24.45
Mid West Contracting, light install for flag @ park	325.00
Don Mills, misc. supplies for park repairs	205.41
MSA Professionals, engineer fees WWTF	623.50
MVTL Laboratories, testing fees	267.90
NVB Playgrounds, picnic table	768.99
Observer, publishing & asst. librarian ad	230.78
Treasurer State of Iowa, sales tax	1539.13
Spahn & Rose, park repairs	958.33
Staples, office supplies	174.51
Water Solutions, phosphate	999.00
Wendling Quarries, gravel and lime	433.50
Witte ready Mix, rod for concrete floor	27.00
WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee	2,227.00

Gross Wages:

\$ 8,688.75

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues:</u>	<u>Expenses:</u>
General Fund	12,897.30	18,706.77
Road Use	4,754.87	2,317.14
Debt Service	1,669.93	27,663.13
Employee Benefits	0.00	1,174.78
Water	5,240.51	4,674.41
Sewer	13,915.12	120,486.62
Garbage	3,085.66	3,187.43
Recycling	989.19	960.41
Totals	\$42,552.58	179,170.67

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

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Department** spent 60.90 hours in the city of Wheatland from April 26th, 2008 through May 25, 2008 while on patrol they issued 6 citations, handled 3 incidents and answered 18 calls.

A motion to approve the foundation of the building at 113 S. Main to remain in the ground after the building has been removed was made by Schnede with a second by Rohling. Patterson, Denahy, Rohling and Schnede – ayes, Prachar abstained.

During the update on the **wastewater treatment facility** Mat Saur requested the Council approve a \$75,000.00 payment to Taylor Construction for the finishing work that has been completed. No motion was made to approve the request.

A motion to approve the Sesquicentennial Committee to close Park Road on August 8th, 9th and 10th and Toronto Street on August 9th from 9 a.m. to until the parade is complete was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

During **public forum** John Marr was present to ask the Council to put a cover on the storm drain on the north west corner of Lincolnway and Wright Street. Robert Dewys inquired about the sidewalk permit he had applied for. Mr. Dewys also inquired how to handle false statements that are made in regards to individuals and private properties. The Council informed Mr. Dewys that the issue would be a civil matter and should be handled in Court.

A motion to allow **JR's Place to close Jefferson Street** from their building to the bank building at 6:15 p.m. until 12 p.m. on July 25th and again on August 8th and 9th providing there will be no street dance on the August dates was made by Prachar with a second by Rohling. Patterson, Denahy, Prachar and Rohling – ayes, Schnede abstained.

No discussion was held regarding the request for a **children at play sign** in the alley behind the 200 block of Lincolnway.

Roy Ganzer was present to request that the storm drain at the south east corner of Main and Iowa Street be repaired.

During discussion regarding **barking dog issues** Angi Kauffman was present to get clarification on the letter that she received about all dogs in her neighborhood being placed in doors from 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. each day. Mrs. Kauffman also asked the Council and Mayor Bopp why complaints are not kept confidential as they have been in the past.

During discussion regarding building completion and property clean up at **327 E. Jefferson** the Council informed Mr. Steines since he originally promised to have the building completed by August 1, 2007 he should have the building completed in 60 days or abatement proceedings will begin.

During discussion regarding the **building at the south east corner of Main Street** Holly Dwyer informed the Council she would board up the broken window but would not replace them as it is her intentions to demolish the building soon.

During discussion regarding the **garage demolition at 216 W. Lincolnway** Harry Rowold was present to inform the Council that the building will be torn down as soon as possible but would not be down within the 30 day time frame stated in the letter sent to the property owner. Mr. Rowold stated that 30 days is not a reasonable amount of time for the City to request that the work be completed.

During discussion regarding the letter sent to **302 W. Vine** requesting demolition of an old barn Mr. Steele informed that Council that he would not have the building removed in the 30 day time frame. Mr. Steele expressed his displeasure at the manner in which the letter was handled and admonished the Mayor and Council for the lack of confidentiality in which the manner was handled.

A motion to approve **building permit 181** for a fence variance was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

During discussion regarding the **sidewalk replacement** at City Hall and 207,209,211 & 213 E. Jefferson Street it was decided that it would be beneficial to wait until JJJ Enterprises digs the ditch to alleviate the drainage problem before plans to replace sidewalks are made. Missy Flammang requested that someone from the City notify the residents when JJJ Enterprises is prepared to begin the work.

A motion to approve the **purchase of a new dumpster for Desperados** to replace the one that was damaged by the garbage truck for the amount of \$435.00 was made by Prachar with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

During the discussion regarding new welcome signs for the city no decisions were made.

A motion to approve the **rental lease** for the Main Street property with Taylor Construction was made by Schnede with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

A motion to approve **resolution 2008 -23** which is for certifying the past due utility bill for account 6100 to the County Auditor for collection on property taxes was made by Prachar with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

A motion to approve **resolution 2008-24** which is for setting park shelter rental and deposit fees was made by Prachar with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

A motion to approve **resolution 2008-25** which is for establishing a contract agreement for park shelter rental was made by Prachar with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

A motion to approve **resolution 2008-26** which is for setting the city employee wages for the 2009 fiscal year was made by Prachar with a second by Schnede. All ayes.

During **discussion regarding the mileage reimbursement** budget Prachar noted that the Council previously stated that anyone attending meetings that are less than one day in length should take the city truck. If persons attending meetings choose to take their own vehicle mileage would not be reimburse. Prachar noted that lack of regard for the Councils decision should be considered misuse of funds.

The bid for tree removals was tabled.

A motion to approve **Municipal Street Improvements bid** for \$40,699.20 was made by Schnede with a second by Denahy. All ayes.

During **reports** Ganzer noted that copies of the water quality report are posted at the post office, bank and City Hall. Copies will be given to citizens upon request. Cavey informed the council that he has found garbage in the community hall dumpster that has a name of the individual that is illegally dumping there. The council informed Cavey that the offense is punishable and to inform the community hall to call the Sheriff's department to file a complaint. Mayor Bopp directed Prachar to prepare a list of items that need repaired or refreshed prior to the Sesquicentennial. Patterson requested that the sidewalk at 201 W. Lincolnway be replaced soon as it has been torn out for quite some time. Mayor Bopp informed the council that OSHA is coming to do a noncommittal inspection of the WWTF to make sure the plant is compliant.

A motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. was made by Schnede with a second by Denahy. All ayes.

Jerry Bopp, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk