

**Wheatland City Council Proceedings
September 13, 2010**

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

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the August 9th meeting and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to Meeting:

FICA	2,150.97
IPERS	1,085.60
State of Iowa - withholding	394.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield – Matt Cavey Health Insurance	917.20

Accounts Payable for Meeting

Alliant Energy, utilities	5,462.38
American Girl, subscription	22.95
Jill Bachus, mileage	16.16
Baker & Taylor, books	236.89
Bancard, utility billing postage	97.27
Jayson Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Matt Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Calhoun & Burns, bridge inspection	662.50
Clinton County Sheriff's Dept., contract	1,209.60
Conoco Phillips, fuel	416.34
Dakota Supply, water meters	2,257.30
Farm Plan, misc streets	69.54
F & B Communications, telephone	300.61
First Trust & Savings Bank, fire truck payment	1,402.99
Laurie Ganzer, cell phone	25.00
Heiman, fire equipment	259.15
John Peavey, lien releases and 2 court appearances	525.00
IAMU, dues	290.46
IMFOA, conference fees	100.00
Iowa One Call, locates	41.40
Lectronics, fire equipment	165.05
MVTL Laboratories, testing fees	261.20
Micro Marketing, books	35.99
Observer, publishing	90.99
Orkin, pest control City Hall	40.00
Stamp Man Specialties, permastamp	31.75
Sandry Fire Supply, equipment	16.00
Sigorney Library, books	13.00
United Labs, chemicals	580.46
Wheatland Repair, fire vehicle repairs	134.63
Wheatland Wire, minutes	20.00
WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee	2,237.00

Gross Wages:

\$ 9,632.75

Fund

General Fund
Road Use
Debt Service
Employee Benefits
Water

Revenues:

7,686.49
11,975.97
0.00
0.00
7,254.29

Expenses:

20,639.45
52,663.10
0.00
908.34
11,220.27

Sewer	16,830.05	5,237.43
Garbage	3,518.23	3,023.65
Recycle	1,040.33	729.64
Totals	48,305.36	94,421.88

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

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Office** spent 60.45 hours in the City of Wheatland from July 26, 2010 through August 25, 2010 while on patrol they issued 9 warnings, 2 citations, answered 15 calls and handled 3 incidents.

During **public forum** no comments were made.

During discussion regarding the **USDA Grant for the computers at the Curtis Memorial Library** Head Librarian, Jill Bachus and City Clerk, Laurie Ganzer informed the Council of the procedures required to obtain the grant. The funds will be disbursed by September 30, 2010.

During discussion regarding **the noon siren** Andrea Werner was present to discuss various reasons that the council should consider discontinuing the noon siren on a daily basis. Werner stated that the siren is unnecessary at noon each day and could be considered a violation of the City's noise ordinance. It is detrimental to the quality of life to many citizens. Werner stated that she understands that the siren needs to be tested monthly and welcomes the sound in the event of a severe storm or tornado.

Cheryl Kastantin added that Lowden and Dewitt have both discontinued noon sirens due to the noise level.

A motion to discontinue the use of the noon siren was made by Rohling. The motion failed due to no second.

A motion to approve **Main Street trick or treating** on October 29, 2010 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. with Main Street being closed from the north side of First Trust and Savings Bank drive thru to the south edge of the Washington St and Main Street intersection was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

A motion to set **regular trick or treat hours** on October 31, 2010 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. was made by Rohling with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

During discussion regarding **utility account 24700** a credit was requested due to an high usage of water for the month of August. No motion was made regarding the situation.

Patty Kalarovich of the Wheatland's Lion's was present to discuss the possibility of a walking **path being placed at the City and the Lion's park**. The item was tabled for further investigation.

A motion to approve the **2010 Annual Financial Report** was made by Rohling with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

A motion to **approve the release of HUD loans for document numbers 0316-06,0317-06,0318-06, 0320-06 and 2006-10566** was made by Rohling with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

During **reports** Cavey informed the council that he is working with the IDNR to do a series of test for the City water source to confirm we are back in compliance after the changes made to the treatment system.

Mayor Noel discussed the need to move forward with seals for manhole covers to the storm sewers. Noel stated that any infiltration problems that can be addressed before needing to move forward with expanding the wastewater treatment facility would be proof to the IDNR that we are taking the problem seriously.

Mayor Noel discussed the need to raise manhole covers that are getting recessed and leaving rather large potholes.

At 8:07 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling . All ayes.

Virgil Noel, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk