

**Wheatland City Council Proceedings
September 14, 2009**

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

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the August 10th meeting and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to September Meeting:

FICA	2,443.49
IPERS	986.95
State of Iowa	367.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield – Matt Cavey Health Insurance	798.90

Accounts Payable for September Meeting

Acco, chemicals	387.00
American Ramp Co, skateboard equipment	8,609.88
Baker & Taylor, Books	121.20
Bancard, postage & vacuum for City Hall	547.45
Brown Supply, manhole plugs	630.00
Jayson Cavey, cell phone & clothing allowance	75.00
Matt Cavey, cell phone & clothing allowance	75.00
Clinton County Assessor, prop tax - 114 Main St.	684.00
Clinton County Sheriff's Dept.	1,169.00
Conoco – Phillips Fleet, City & Fire truck fuel	391.50
City of Delmar, 1\3 of IA League Conference	65.00
Farm Plan, misc. maintenance	79.85
F & B Communications, telephone	256.87
First Trust & Savings Bank, fire truck payment	1,402.99
Laurie Ganzer, Renew Norton Anti Virus Subscription	44.99
Harry's, water sample shipping	6.00
Heiman Fire Equipment, equipment	138.45
IAMU, dues	280.58
Iowa Codification, ordinance updates	950.00
Iowa Prison Industries, stop ahead sign	32.70
IDNR, annual water permit	135.00
Keystone Labs, testing	181.00
Linweld, compressed air	25.00
MSA Professionals, water improvement project	6,000.00
MVTL Laboratories, testing fees	275.90
Observer, publishing	86.05
Orkin, pest control City Hall	40.00
Sandry Fire Supply, equipment	130.00
Spahn & Rose, misc. maintenance	85.99
Turkle Tree Service, tree removal Wright St.	2,275.00
WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee	2,237.00
Wheatland Repair, fire truck maintenance	55.59

Gross Wages:

\$ 9,734.38

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues:</u>	<u>Expenses:</u>
General Fund	8,836.80	17,188.98
Road Use	5,767.29	41,596.49
Debt Service	0.00	0.00
Employee Benefits	0.00	869.26
Water	5,667.46	2,564.25
Sewer	14,415.64	31,062.66
Garbage	3,423.85	3,227.03
Recycle	1,039.94	724.79
Totals	48,560.96	97,233.50

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

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Department** spent 77.50 hours in the City of Wheatland from July 26th, 2009 through August 25th, 2009 while on patrol they issued 2 warnings, handled 12 incidents and answered 23 calls.

During discussion regarding the **wastewater treatment facility** Mat Saur of MSA Professionals noted that a full report regarding the smoke testing should be available by next month. Saur stated that a few low lying manholes have been identified at this point.

The City needs to set a date to televise the sewer lines and notify homeowners of inspection dates for sump pumps that are hooked to the sanitary sewer system.

During discussion regarding the **water system improvement** project Mat Saur noted that he would like to meet with Matt Cavey to verify some of the preliminary information they have gathered.

During **reports** Gladys Seifert inquired when the City will clean debris from the town creek. Mayor Bopp noted that the City's responsibility for the creek is midline of the creek and up to the road on the west. The other side is the responsibility of the adjoining property owner. The City will clear debris from their responsible area as needed.

John Marr inquired when the alley will be graded adjacent to his property. It was told to him at the August meeting that it would be handled and is not completed to date.

Mr. Marr inquired why the property on the SE corner of Park Road and Wright Street is being allowed to become over grown with weeds.

Taylor Construction withdrew the offer to **rent the office space at 114 Main Street.**

A motion to approve the **tree removal bid from Turtle Tree Service** for \$730.00 was made by Rohling with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

A motion to set **Trick or Treat hours** for 5-7 p.m. on October 31st each year was made by Schnede with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

A motion to approve **JJJ Enterprises bid to move the compost pile** to the old sewer plant for fill and place a drainage tile in the compost/burn pile area for \$3,933.00 was made by Schnede with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

The readings of the following ordinances were tabled:

- 143-10 Standard Penalty of Code of Ordinances
- 144-10 Municipal Infraction Update
- 145-10 Parking Violations: Alternate
- 146-10 Residency Restriction for Sex Offenders
- 147-10 Provisions Pertaining to Abandoned Vehicles
- 148-10 Provisions Pertaining to All Terrain Vehicles and Snowmobiles
- 149-10 Provisions Pertaining to Utility Service

During **reports** Ganzer noted that the IDNR has notified all municipalities that it is necessary to identify Special Flood Hazard Areas within their boundaries and they must participate in the National Flood Insurance Program by June 30, 2011. Ganzer encouraged anyone wanting a copy of the letter from the IDNR to contact City Hall.

Open Burning was discussed. Fire Chief Steward requested that the City post burning rules. The Council determined that they would handle burning complaints on a case by case basis. The Council also noted that anyone burning trash can be issued a citation.

Mayor Bopp noted that he and Steve Thompson of MSA Professionals met with Senator Seng in regards to our wastewater treatment facility. Mayor Bopp felt confident that Wheatland would be the recipient of a CDBG grant to bring the plant into compliance.

Mayor Bopp informed those present that he has contacted Sheriff Lincoln regarding the City's growing curfew and vandalism problems.

A motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. was made by Prachar with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

Jerry Bopp, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk