

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

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

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the November 9th meeting, liquor license for Wheatland Grocery and the following revenues and payables:

Bills paid prior to December Meeting:

FICA	2,737.88
IPERS	989.37
State of Iowa	585.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield – Matt Cavey Health Insurance	798.90
SRF – WWTF interest loan payment	21,428.30

Accounts Payable for December Meeting

Alliant Energy, utilities	4,380.46
Jill Bachus, books & mileage	240.10
Baker & Taylor, books	238.41
Bancard, budget workshop	30.00
Jayson Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Matt Cavey, cell phone	25.00
Clinton County Auditor, election	1,726.54
Clinton County Sheriff's Dept.	1,169.00
Conoco – Phillips Fleet, City & Fire truck fuel	452.51
Data Tech, W-2's	35.03
Emergency Apparatus Maintenance, fire truck service	1,237.58
Farm Plan, misc. maintenance	65.35
City of Grand Mound, mileage budget workshop	15.12
F & B Communications, telephone	366.52
First Trust & Savings Bank, fire truck payment	1,402.99
Heiman Fire Equipment, fire equipment	2,128.21
IAMU, dues	286.83
IRWA, dues	175.00
Iowa Firemen's Association, dues	240.00
Kevin Condon, install fire truck radio	148.50
Micro Marketing, books	42.99
Midwest Breathing Air, annual inspection & maintenance	357.45
MSA, water system improvements & WWTF investigation	22,500.00
MVTL Laboratories, testing fees	275.90
Observer, publishing	310.26
Orkin, pest control City Hall	40.00
Penworthy, books	38.22
Quad City Times, subscription	132.60

Amy Softa, mileage	18.70
Stamp fulfillment center, posted envelopes	255.60
Staples, toner & supplies	94.27
WGML Refuse Commission, monthly fee	2,237.00
Wheatland Repair, fire truck repairs	654.50

Gross Wages:

\$ 13,190.89

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues:</u>	<u>Expenses:</u>
General Fund	26,813.42	15,464.99
Road Use	6,099.18	2,842.32
Debt Service	2,343.14	17,184.02
Employee Benefits	668.79	983.96
Water	61,933.57	4,134.20
Sewer	14,390.10	4,329.61
Garbage	3,465.87	7,328.05
Recycle	1,027.04	1,087.29
Totals	116,741.11	53,354.44

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

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Department** spent 62.98 hours in the City of Wheatland from October 26, 2009 through November 25, 2009 while on patrol the handled 3 incidents and answered 10 calls.

At 6:35 p.m. a motion to open the public hearing for the application of the CDB Grant for the Carroll Assistance Center was made by Rohling with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

Mayor Bopp opened the public hearing to solicit comments on the City's proposed application for a Community Development Block Grant to the Iowa Department of Economic Development. The Council discussed the need for improvements at the Carroll Assistance Center. The application will be submitted to IDED no later than December 16, 2009. The proposed improvements will be in the amount of \$213,325 including construction, A/E, and administrative fees. The total amount of CDBG Funds requested will be \$213,325. It is estimated that 56.00% percent of the funds will benefit low-to-moderate income persons based on the 2000 US Census data. By design, no displacement will occur. If displacement is necessary, the City will comply fully with the Uniform Relocation Act and Section 104(d).

Crystal Kastantin informed the council of the wide reach for assistance that the center has. It has also become a social gathering for several citizens. It is a safe place where many can come to socialize.

Cheryl Kastantin informed the council that the center also provides social services that include nursing visits for immunizations and a heating assistance representative as well.

At 6:45 p.m. a motion to close the public hearing was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

Mayor Bopp closed the public hearing with no negative comments from citizens present and no objections on file.

Motion by Patterson with a second by Denahy was made to adopt Resolution 2010-06 – a resolution confirming the City's endorsement of the project, desire to apply for CDBG funds, and granting authority to the Mayor to sign CDBG application. Vote: Ayes- Rohling, Patterson and Denahy. Prachar and Schnede were absent.

During the update on the **water improvement project** MSA will be submitting the project for approval to the IDNR and obtain a permit. The project will not be put out for bids unless more I-jobs funding becomes available.

During the update on the **wastewater treatment facility** Paul Loete of MSA Professionals was present to inform the Council that the following dates have been chosen to do sump pump inspections January 23, 24, 30, 31, 2010. A detailed map and informational flyer will be published in the January Wheatland Wire, additional copies will be posted at First Trust & Savings Bank and the post office. Copies are also available at City Hall.

During **public forum** John Marr called for the council to take action on citizens that are not clearing their walks of snow and ice. Mr. Marr also requested that the council take action on citizens that do not move vehicles from streets after a snowfall so that the street and curb areas can be properly cleaned.

A motion to approve the **liquor license for Pro Fuel Six, Inc.** was made by Rohling with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

A motion to approve the **tobacco license for Pro Fuel Six, Inc.** was made by Patterson with a second by Denahy. All ayes.

During discussion regarding the **water standing on East High Street** questions were raised regarding legal issues with respect to directing water shed onto private property without an easement. No action to resolve the issue was forthcoming at this time.

During discussion regarding **building permit 207**, building committee member Patterson informed the council that the permit was denied because pallets were being used for the fence. The property owners did not request and appeal with the council and disregarded the denial of the permit. They were asked to stop building the fence by Patterson. They disregarded his request and continued to build the fence. Patterson then contacted the Sheriff's Department for assistance. They did stop building the fence after the Sheriff's Deputy instructed them to stop. The council agreed that the city attorney should be contacted to learn what actions will be needed to get the fence removed.

Cheryl Leech of the **skate park committee** informed the council that the company where the skateboard park equipment was purchased informed the committee that a rebate may be available to the City. Ms. Leech did not have details regarding the rebate at this time but requested that the Council allow the committee to use any rebates for additional skate park equipment.

A motion to approve the **second reading of ordinance 146-10** which is for the residency restriction for sex offenders was made by Rohling with a second by Patterson. All ayes.

A motion to approve the **second reading of ordinance 150-10** which is for the flood plain management was made by Patterson with a second by Rohling. All ayes.

During **reports** Ganzer noted that the budget workshop will start at the January 11th meeting and if additional time is needed a second budget workshop will be scheduled for January 18th at 6:00 p.m.

A reminder to citizens to remember to clear the snow from around any fire hydrants when clearing their walks.

A motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. was made by Rohling with a second by Denahy. All ayes.

Jerry Bopp, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk