

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APPROVED REGULAR MEETING
August 20, 2012**

President Foxley called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Those present for roll call were: Arnold Dalldorf, Joel Foxley, Rich Hoppe, Jarrod Lang, Jerry Overweg, and Todd Spoelstra. Others present were: Kirk Jensen, Marc King, Kevin Kuiper, Shauna Meyerink, Ralph Nachtigal, Brandon Semmler, and Veryln Versteeg.

AGENDA. Councilmember Spoelstra moved and Lang seconded approving the agenda as presented. Motion carried on voice vote.

MINUTES. Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the August 6th regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Spoelstra. Motion carried on voice vote.

REPORTS.

Councilmember Lang: Informed the council that the request from East River Sportsmans Club for the use of the land behind the lake was not needed as their original location will work for the event.

Remaining Councilmembers & Mayor: No reports

Finance Officer. Finance Officer Meyerink reported on the following topics: 1) On August 22nd at 3:30 p.m., Helms & Associates will be doing the final inspection for the Airport Lighting Project should anyone wish to attend. 2) It was verified on the claims listing that the YTD only changes once per fund for each vendor. 3) Also a reminder that the bid opening for the Apron & Taxiway project will be Wednesday August 22nd at 2:00 p.m. 4) Thank you for the flowers sent in honor of Marlee's birth.

Police Department. Chief Semmler reported on the following topics: 1) Both Officer Ellens and Semmler will be attending a CPR class in Lake Andes on Wednesday August 22nd. 2) Officer Ellens is accepted into the academy which will begin in November. Officer Neal Moad has agreed to assist Semmler during the duration of the academy.

Public Works. City Superintendent Kuiper reported on the following topics: 1) Tuesday August 21st is the last day the pool will be open. 2) Tyler Veurink has taken the Wastewater collection certification which he has passed and will be going to Aberdeen August 23rd for the Wastewater distribution certification. 3) Topkote will be in town within the next two weeks to begin chip and sealing the northeast section of town. 4) Patching will continue around town as there are a few places still in need. 5) Radius work on the ADA radiuses will begin the first week of September. The project is estimated to take ten days to complete. 6) The traffic signs required to change by new federal regulations have been updated. 7) Councilmember Overweg questioned what will happen at the four way stop regarding the beacon since the City voted not to go with a solar powered beacon. Kuiper replied that the lighting will stay the same other than some wiring moved or what would be required to make the current system compatible with the new radiuses.

PUBLIC FORUM.

Councilmember Dalldorf stated that Dan Cool had approached him regarding the project on the bridge by Lake Platte. In preparation of all the restoration planned Cool has been advised that he may or may not be able to restore the bridge. Cool will continue to research his options and will be in contact with the council at a later date.

Marc King and Kirk Jensen attended the meeting in regards to the Cecil & Phyllis Melcher Museum. King explained that the museum is in the process of requesting a variance for a country school house and church to be added to the property. President Foxley stated the variance process will need to be followed before the council can proceed with any action on the request. King then requested \$35,000.00 from the City to pay off the remaining principal balance owed in the purchase of the museum. The museum was purchased for \$95,000.00 with \$55,000.00 of that balance paid. Councilmember Overweg asked King if someone is present during the day or if it is only open during certain hours. King replied that someone is there during the day but with fall coming they will be changing to winter hours in the near future. President Foxley thanked King and Jensen for coming and asked Finance Officer Meyerink to propose the \$35,000.00 request for the budget at which time the council will discuss it.

BUILDING PERMITS.

CLAIMS.

Councilmember Lang motioned to approve all claims as presented. Motion seconded by Dalldorf. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0. (Attached as separate document)

OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS.

Public Hearing – Werkmeister Variance: President if due to the Foxley opened the public hearing at 8:00 p.m. for public input. Councilmember Spoelstra stated that with the request being on Main Street and the hardship of not being able to meet the front yard and side yard setbacks that he feels this variance should be approved. Councilmember Lang stated that he sees this request differently than a request in a residential area. Spoelstra question VerSteege if the new building will be built out of brick. VerSteege stated that it will not be. There will be lap siding on the front and back with fire retardant material used throughout. President Foxley closed the public hearing at 8:04 p.m. **Councilmember Dalldorf moved and Lang seconded to approve the variance request for Lorie Werkmeister, owner of Shorty's, to build on the north side and south side lot lines and up to the rear of the sidewalk. Motion carried on roll call vote of 6-1 as Mayor Gustad was absent.**

Set Public Hearing – Transfer of Liquor Licenses (Countryside Gas & Grill to Dakota Food & Fuel, LLC): Councilmember Hoppe motioned to set Tuesday September 4th at 8:00 p.m. for the public hearing to consider the transfer of the malt beverage and liquor licenses to be transferred from Countrysided Gas & Grill to Dakota Food & Fuel, LLC. Motion seconded by Lang. Motion carried on voice vote.

Set Public Hearing – Transfer of Liquor License (Kuip's Lounge – Ownership Transfer): Councilmember Dalldorf moved and Hopped seconded to set the public hearing for Tuesday September 4th at 8:10 p.m. to consider the malt beverage and liquor licenses transfer from Ken Kuiper and Kevin Kuiper for Kuip's Lounge. Motion carried on voice vote

Set First Reading of Ordinance #326: Councilmember Lang motioned to have the first reading of Ordinance #326 on Tuesday September 4th. Motion seconded by councilmember Overweg. Motion carried on voice vote.

C Arrow Fencing: Craig Bryan, owner of C Arrow Fencing, submitted a quote remove and replace the southeast and southwest 5 post brace panel assemblies and tie the existing fence back in for the sum of \$1020.41. The submitted quote includes labor, materials, and taxes. Superintendent Kuiper informed the council the fence is in need of repair there and if not corrected prior to the next inspection, it will be noticed and required to be fixed at that time. President Foxley stated he thought it was a good idea. **Councilmeber**

Hoppe moved and Lang seconded to award the removal and replacement of the southeast and southwest 5 post brace panel assemblies around the east lagoons to C Arrow Fencing in the amount of \$1020.41. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0.

Advertise for Garbage and LP Quotes: Councilmember Overweg motioned to advertise for garbage and propane quotes with quotes due in the office of the City Finance Officer by Friday September 7th at 5:00 p.m. with quotes to be awarded at the September 17th meeting. Motion seconded by councilmember Dalldorf. Motion carried on voice vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Overweg moved and Hoppe seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____

Rick Gustad

Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer