

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
UNAPPROVED REGULAR MEETING
February 6, 2012**

Mayor Gustad called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:32 p.m. Those present for Roll Call were: Arnold Dalldorf, Joel Foxley, Rich Hoppe, Rick Gustad, Jarrod Lang, Jerry Overweg and Todd Spoelstra. Others present were: Randall Brumbaugh, Marc King, Shauna Meyerink, Ralph Nachtigal, and Brandon Semmler.

AGENDA.

MINUTES. Councilmember Hoppe noted that in the Public Works report that “Hegg” does not have an e at the end and that on page two, row 8, an e needs to be added to the word on to make it one. **Following the two small corrections, councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the January 16th regular meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Lang. Motion carried on voice vote.**

REPORTS.

Council Members:

Councilmember Overweg thanked the council for the flowers sent at Darwin Wood’s funeral.

Councilmember Spoelstra resigned from the Pool Committee as he feels he cannot do the committee justice with his busy schedule. Spoelstra requested that someone from the council replace his position. Mayor Gustad appointed Jarrod Lang to the Pool Committee in replacement of Councilmember Todd Spoelstra. **Councilmember Foxley motioned to approve Mayor Gustad’s appointment. Motion seconded by Overweg. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Remaining Councilmembers: No report.

Mayor Gustad: No report.

Finance Officer. Meyerink reported on the following topics: 1) A small claim judgment has been filed on an individual for an outstanding water bill. The individual has contacted Meyerink and requested the City to dismiss the judgment as he promises to pay the outstanding balance no later than February 27, 2012. Meyerink explained that the Council has the option to continue the judgment as it stands or to place a temporary hold on the judgment allowing the individual an opportunity to pay the balance. **Councilmember Foxley motioned to hold the small claims judgment until February 27, 2012. Motion seconded by Lang. Motion carried on a voice vote of 4-2 with Councilmembers Dalldorf and Spoelstra opposing.** 2) Meyerink reported that there will be a meeting on February 13th with Brian McGinnis from Planning District III to discuss some zoning questions. 3) Meyerink will be meeting with Eric Nelson from Senator Johnson’s office Tuesday February 7, 2012, and questioned if there was anything the council requested Meyerink discuss with Mr. Nelson. 4) Meyerink asked if the Public Works committee would like to review summer help applications before the February 20th meeting and make a recommendation. 5) Meyerink is transferring \$26,213.72 from Ft Randall FCU to either First Fidelity Bank or Bank of the West. 6) All W2’s and 1099’s have been created and are dispersed.

Police Department. Police Chief Semmler reported the following for the time frame of January 3, 2012 through January 30, 2012.

AGE RELATED ISSUES

JUVENILE CONTACTS (<18)	Nos.	ADULT CONTACTS (Over 18)	Nos.
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Verbal Warnings	1	Verbal Warnings	5
Written Warnings	2	Written Warnings	3
Written Citations	3	Written Citations	1
Charged By Warrant	0	Arrest by Warrant	0
Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	6	Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	9
Complaints Received	2	Complaints Received	1
Field Sobriety Tests Only	0	Field Sobriety Tests Only	0
DWI Arrests	0	DWI Arrests	0
Open Container Citations	0	Open Container Citations	0
Underage Consumption Cit.	2	Underage Consumption Cit.	0
Total Alcohol Related Contacts	4	Total Alcohol Related Contacts	1

NON-AGE DELINEATED CONTACTS

Property Related Issues	Nos.	Family Violence	Nos.
Vehicle Accidents (under \$250)	0	Complaints	0
Vehicle Accidents (over \$250)	3	Arrests	0
Burglary Complaints	2	Protective Custody	0
Burglary Arrests	0		
Welfare Checks	2	Dog Issues	
Robbery Arrests	0	Complaints	1
Theft Reports	1	Dogs Captured	0
Vandalism Reports	1	Dogs Terminated	0
Auto Thefts	0	Owners Warned	0
Hit & Run Property	0	Owners Issued Tickets	0
Other Complaints	4		
Officers Asst.	1	Other Animals – Complaints	0
911 Calls	1	Terminated	0

GENERAL OPERATIONS STATISTICS

Miles Driven on 2011 Dodge P/U	1100	Ambulance Assists	1
Miles Driven on Ford Crown Vic 09	150	Community Service Performed	2
Time Vehicle Out of Service	0 hrs.	Training Sessions Attended	2
Hours Spent in Court	16hrs.	Business Alarms	1
Funeral Escorts	4	Motorist Assists	1

Chief Semmler also reported on the following topics: 1) On January 25th Officer Ellens broke his ankle which did require surgery. Semmler spoke to Officer Ellens on February 6th and following a follow-up appointment on February 7th Ellens will know more about the status of his expected recovery time. Councilmember Dalldorf asked if Semmler knew how or why the injury happened. Chief Semmler explained that Ellens slipped on a slope. 2) One of the two PBT units is currently not working. Semmler has contacted Intoximeter and for them to troubleshoot the problem it will cost the City \$40.00. Intoximeter thought the problem was with the fuel cell, which if that is the case would cost an additional \$240.00. Semmler reported that a new PBT unit is \$340.00. The council agreed to just order a new PBT, however, asked Semmler to first check with the county if there would be any surplus PBTs available

through them. 3) Chief Semmler requested the council consider purchasing new tazers for the department. In a recent training the officers attended, the class director, Ryan Rumptshell, recommended to Chief Semmler the X2 double barrel tazer which costs approximately \$1000.00 per unit. Councilmember Spoelstra is in favor of the X2. Councilmember Dalldorf asked Semmler if any grants were available to assist with the purchase of new tazers. Councilmember Foxley suggested the police committee meet and discuss the purchase in further detail. 4) Chief Semmler attended a training session in Pierre on February 3rd where government bills' pertaining to officers were discussed. 5) New patches have been ordered.

Public Works. No report.

Community Center: Councilmember Foxley reported that the Community Center Board had a meeting February 6th and the following items were discussed: 1) A marquee for the front of the Community Building. Foxley informed the council any ideas would be considered. 2) Inventory will be conducted in the community center in the near future. 3) An approximate \$2,500.00 to \$3,000.00 in new tables and chairs will be ordered. 4) The piano in the Community Center will be added to the surplus list. 5) The Bumblebee representative will be in Platte the week of February 6th to evaluate the options of the floor.

PUBLIC FORUM.

Randall Brumbaugh was present at the meeting to discuss a few topics with the council. Brumbaugh stated that he applauds the Pool Committee for their fundraising efforts; however, asked the council to consider that no alcohol be served at these fundraising events. Brumbaugh believes it is possible to raise the same donations without alcohol. Brumbaugh also questioned if the event was held in Geddes for a particular reason. Councilmember Spoelstra explained the event was held in Geddes to include all surrounding communities and further explained that the committee is trying to hold an event in the New Holland area as well. Mayor Gustad stated the committee has done a substantially wonderful job for the community and therefore has no issues with the event held in Geddes. Councilmember Lang also complimented the Pool Committee stating they have done an excellent job and as well as no issues with any events they have held. Marcus King told the council and Brumbaugh that of the reviews he has received there have been no complaints regarding the alcohol served, that individuals said they had fun and the turnout was good. Randall Brumbaugh also inquired the zoning laws regarding the house to the North of his property on Delaware Avenue. Brumbaugh stated the lot to the north of him should have been surveyed and that the lot has been built up causing the water to run toward his property. Brumbaugh believes the window wells are outside of the 8' required set-back. Mayor Gustad replied that the structure is what was approved, not the surroundings. Councilmember Foxley informed Brumbaugh that Brian McGinnis will be in town the following week and the window well set-back will be questioned. No further discussion was held.

Marcus King was present on behalf of the Melcher Museum. King described the museum project to the council. King explained that within the museum the original town of Platte will be displayed with such businesses as the Enterprise and the theatre as an example. Also on display will be a wildlife room, a military room, the Old Platte Post Office, the Platte Hospital, and a doll room. King asked the council if there is anything the City could do at this time to help promote the museum. Mayor Gustad asked Meyerink to discuss the project with Planning District III in the event any grants would become available. Mayor Gustad also asked King to stop back in July or August during budget time and the council would see what they could do at that time. King thanked the council for the consideration and asked that between now and July every councilmember stop by the museum and see the progress. Councilmember Spoelstra asked King if any expansions would be needed in the future. King replied that with the already 10,000 square feet no additions are in the plans. Councilmember Spoelstra also asked when the museum is open. King replied that it has yet to be determined but they are thinking May through hunting season.

CLAIMS.

Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the claims as submitted. Motion seconded by Spoelstra. Motion carried on roll call vote of 6-0. (Attached as separate document)

BUILDING PERMITS.

OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS.

Set Public Hearing Date for Liquor Application (44 Road Stop): Councilmember Spoelstra moved and Foxley seconded to set the public hearing date for Monday February 20, 2012, at 8:00 p.m. to consider the liquor application for 44 Road Stop. Motion carried on voice vote.

Recommendation from Planning Commission: Councilmember Overweg recommended to the Council on behalf of the Planning Commission the approval of the 4' variance for Rich and Mary Lou Ringling.

Set Public Hearing for Ringling's Variance Request: Councilmember Foxley moved and Lang seconded to set the public hearing date for Monday February 20, 2012 at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried on voice vote.

Advertise for 2012 Chip & Seal Project: Councilmember Lang motioned to advertise for 2012 Chip and Seal bids due by February 29, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Hoppe. Motion carried on voice vote.

Advertise for Gravel & Spray Quotes: Councilmember Foxley motioned to advertise for gravel and spray quotes with quotes due February 29, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Hoppe. Motion carried on voice vote.

Executive Session: Councilmember Overweg motioned to enter into executive session at 8:30 p.m. for the discussion of personnel matters. Motion seconded by Foxley. Motion carried on voice vote. Mayor Gustad called an end to executive session at 8:40 p.m. Councilmember Dalldorf moved and Hoppe seconded to supplement the Workman's Compensation to full salary for 6 weeks to Officer Nate Ellens. Motion carried on voice vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Foxley moved and Spoelstra seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Rick Gustad
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer