

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APPROVED REGULAR MEETING
May 21, 2012**

Mayor Gustad called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:33 p.m. Those present for Roll Call were: Arnold Dalldorf, Rich Hoppe, Rick Gustad, Jarrod Lang, Jerry Overweg, and Todd Spoelstra. Councilmember Joel Foxley was absent for the meeting. Others present were: Kevin Kuiper, Shauna Meyerink, Ralph Nachtigal, Brandon Semmler, and Colby Slining.

AGENDA.

MINUTES. Councilmember Overweg motioned to approve the May 7, 2012, regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Dalldorf. Motion carried on voice vote.

REPORTS.

Councilmember Lang: reported that the Pool Committee had a meeting May 7th to discuss final details of the Bean Bag Tournament & Dance at the Yellow Rose. While at the meeting the Pool Committee also had confirmation that the Corn Maze will be going forward and the corn is already planted. Pool Committee member Bentz has offered to grow some pumpkins to have available for children at the corn maze.

Remaining Councilmembers: No report.

Mayor Gustad: No report.

Finance Officer. Meyerink reported that Bumblee Bee has started on the Community Center floor.

Police Department. Chief Semmler reported on the following topics: 1) That a notice had been published in the Platte Enterprise regarding the recent thefts and burglaries in Platte. 2) Semmler had contacted Gerald Dyk concerning the trailer being parked on the road. The Municipal Ordinances were also referred to before contacting Mr. Dyk and the issue should be resolved. 3) That Officer Ellens is on the Officer Training waiting list for and will go in November if an opening does not open in September. Mayor Gustad questioned how long the training currently is. Semmler replied that the course is now thirteen weeks long. Mayor Gustad encouraged Chief Semmler to arrange assistance during that time.

Public Works. City Superintendent Kuiper reported on the following topics: 1) There has been a considerable amount of work already accomplished at the pool with the cleaning done and painted. Kuiper has spoken to manager Smit who is arranging time to paint the bath house and bathrooms. All paint should be cured by Wednesday at which time filling the pool will begin. The pool is scheduled to open on June 1st. 2) Discharging of the lagoons is complete. 3) With school ending, summer help will be starting within the week. 4) RDO Equipment was in Platte to do the compression tests which proved to be good. New injectors were installed on the engine and a hydraulic valve repaired on the maintainer.

PUBLIC FORUM.

CLAIMS.

Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve all claims as presented in addition to pay request #1 from All Phase Electric in the amount of \$41,543.21. Motion seconded by Lang. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0. (Attached as separate document)

BUILDING PERMITS.

OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS.

RDO Payloader Proposal: Colby Slining of RDO Equipment was present to inquire if the City was interested in selling the 544K wheel loader. Councilmember Overweg questioned how old our loader is currently; it is two year old. Councilmember Dalldorf asked how far away we are from needing a factory fluid change such as the hydraulics and transmission. Normal circumstances require a fluid flush when the loader reaches approximately 2000 hours and the current loader has approximately 850 hours. The cost of such flush runs nearly \$2,500.00. **Councilmember Spoelstra motioned to declare surplus the 2010 544K Wheel Loader and sell by sealed bid with bids due June 13th at 4:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Dalldorf. Motion carried on voice vote.** Councilmember Lang questioned if this is something the council should consider yearly. Slining explained that a government agency is only allowed to receive a government discount every two years so he would not recommend it yearly. **Councilmember Lang moved and Hoppe seconded to advertise for sealed bids on a 2012 or newer 4WD Wheel Loader, with sealed bids due June 13, 2012, at 4:00 p.m. in the City Finance Office to be opened on June 13, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Liquor Licenses: Six applications were received for package liquor license renewals. According to new regulations, a public hearing for renewals is no longer required. Meyerink stated that all real estate taxes are paid to date. **Councilmember Dalldorf moved and Hoppe seconded to approve the retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage license for Shorty's Café & Bar. Motion carried on voice vote. Councilmember Lang moved and Hoppe seconded to approve the retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine for Platte Lanes, LLC. Motion carried on voice vote. Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage license for 44 Road Stop. Motion seconded by Councilmember Spoelstra. Motion carried on voice vote. Councilmember Spoelstra moved and Dalldorf seconded to approve the retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage license for Countryside Gas & Grill. Motion carried on voice vote. Councilmember Spoelstra motioned to approve the package (off-sale) Malt Beverage license for Kuips Lounge. Motion seconded by councilmember Lang. Motion carried on voice vote. Councilmember Lang motioned to approved the package (off –sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine license for Casey's General Store. Motion seconded by Hoppe. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Renew Operating Agreement for 44 Road Stop: Meyerink presented the operating agreement between the City and 44 Road Stop which was up for renewal. **Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the three year operating agreement between the City of Platte and 44 Road Stop upon proper documentation and evidence of payment of premiums for general liability, property, and workman's compensation. Motion seconded by Councilmember Spoelstra. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Building Permit Application Update: Upon the completion of annexing in Sunset Acres, it was later determined that an easement is currently in place for Lot C-4 which includes the land annexed into the City. Due to the Wetland Easement filed by the US Fish & Wildlife, it was determined that a building permit could not be issued until released. After a determination from the US Fish & Wildlife Office in Lake Andes, a letter was received to allow building on certain lots. Finance Officer Meyerink presented all the information to City Attorney Tim Whalen who advised Meyerink to now require a title search for all property being petitioned into City Limits. Attorney Whalen also recommends the following wording be added to the building permit applications "The issuance and granting of this building permit by the City does not, in any fashion, constitute a representation by the City of the quality or marketability of title to the subject of real property." **Councilmember Lang motioned to add the proposed language to the current building permit applications. Motion seconded by Dalldorf. Motion carried on voice vote of 5-0.**

Advertise for Hay Bids: Councilmember Hoppe moved and Spoelstra seconded advertising for bids for haying city property near the lagoons, shooting range, and landfill, with bids to be opened at the June 4th regular meeting. Motion passed on voice vote.

Recycling Opportunity: Meyerink informed the council that Van Brothers, Inc., from Corsica had contacted the City office to obtain interest in recycling in the Platte area. A trailer would be placed in Platte for one week every month to collect paper, cardboard, and plastic. This is strictly on a volunteer basis with no commitment required by the City. Van Brothers, Inc., would check the trailer a couple of times each week it is here so ample room would always be available for recyclable items. Councilmember Dalldorf questioned if the trailer would be enclosed some way to prevent the paper and plastic from blowing around. **Councilmember Hoppe moved and Overweg seconded to draft a letter of request/intent allowing Van Brothers, Inc., to begin recycling in Platte. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Set Interview Dates & Times: Following executive session, Councilmember Hoppe motioned to set interview dates for Tuesday June 29, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on voice vote.

Executive Session: Councilmember Lang moved and Hoppe seconded to enter into executive session at 8:38 p.m. for the discussion of personnel matters. Motion carried on voice vote. Mayor Gustad declared an end to executive session at 9:08 p.m.

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Spoelstra moved and Lang seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Rick Gustad
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer