

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APPROVED REGULAR MEETING
April 21, 2014**

Mayor Gustad called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:32 p.m. Those present for roll call were: Mitch Antonsen, Rick Gustad, Rich Hoppe, Jarrod Lang, and Jerry Overweg. Councilmembers Joel Foxley and Todd Spoelstra were absent. Others present were: Kevin Kuiper, Shauna Meyerink, Ralph Nachtigal, and Brandon Semmler.

AGENDA.

MINUTES. Councilmember Overweg moved and Hoppe seconded to approve the April 7th regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried on voice vote.

REPORTS.

Mayor Gustad and Councilmembers: No report.

Finance Officer. Finance Officer Meyerink reported on the following topics: 1) The purchase of the Pipal Property is complete. 2) Meyerink provided the council with a financial report. Council requested Meyerink to report quarterly sales tax revenue and compare it to previous years.

Police Department. Chief Semmler reported on the following topics: 1) The weather spotting class scheduled for April 9th was postponed due technical issues. Todd Hiedcamp told Semmler he would host a class in Platte. Semmler scheduled the weather spotting class for May 12th at 7:00 p.m. which is open to the public. 2) Semmler also reported that he will be attending a conference in Deadwood the week of April 14th – 18th.

Public Works. City Superintendent reported on the following topics: 1) Lagoon samples were sent in with a request to perform a discharge. Results indicated high ammonia levels. BOD's, e-coli, and remaining sample items had good results. Kuiper stated an emergency discharge will need to be requested. The third aerator which was rebuilt over the winter was placed and has been running approximately one month. Brosz Engineering reported they will be sending a representative to meet with Kuiper regarding the current ammonia levels. Kuiper stated he has spoken to several individuals concerning the ammonia levels. It is ponderous to everyone, including the experts, how the ammonia levels increase from the first pond to the third pond. Councilmember Overweg questioned if Platte is the only one to struggle with the ammonia levels. Kuiper stated that every town has its struggle. Kuiper also informed the council that he has contacted DENR regarding the situation and they had no suggestions. 2) Rural water will be in town to detect two leaks. 3) Chips for this seasons chip and seal project are being hauled in. 4) Matthew Randall declined the summer maintenance position. Kuiper stated he will run the department with those hired and does not wish to reopen the position at this time. 5) Jay VanderWerff is hauling white goods out of the landfill. VanderWerff will be paying the City \$70.00 a ton. 6) Kuiper requested permission to attend a Water/Wastewater conference in Pierre April 29th & 30th. The conference coincides with the April 29th schedule to calibrate the mosquito fogger in Pierre. Council granted permission for Kuiper to attend the conference and at the same time have the mosquito fogger calibrated.

PUBLIC FORUM.

BUILDING PERMITS. Finance Officer Meyerink presented a building permit from Noteboom Implement requesting the addition of a storage container to be placed on the East side of the building. The storage container would sit 12.5' from the East lot line and more than meet the 25' front yard set-back as the storage

container would line up with the north side of the Quonset. Meyerink also informed the council the Planning Commission approved the request as presented. **Board of Adjustment member Hoppe moved and Antonsen seconded to approve the request from Noteboom Impletement for the addition of a storage container to be placed on the East side of the property at 11 East 6th Street. Motion carried on voice vote.**

CLAIMS.

Councilmember Overweg motioned to approve all claims as presented. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on roll call vote of 4-0. (Attached as separate document)

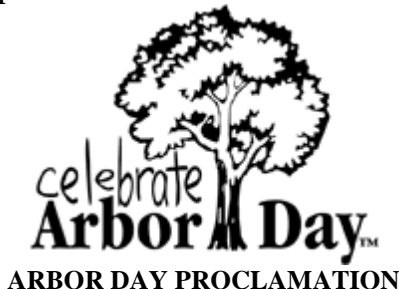
OLD BUSINESS.

Police Interceptor Utility: Finance Officer Meyerink reported she received a call from Joey at Lamb Motors. Joey informed Meyerink that Ford has changed gears and are now offering the 2015 Ford Interceptor Utility at the 2014 state bid price. Meyerink asked the council to make a motion to purchase the 2015 at the 2014 bid price if they choose to continue with the purchase of the vehicle for the Police Department at this time. Mayor Gustad questioned if state bid allowed the City to purchase the 2015. Meyerink responded that the state bid stated a 2014 or newer on the bid spec sheet which should qualify in her opinion. Meyerink also reported that she contacted Keith VanZee at Platte Ford to verify if he was still willing to accept the drop shipment of the vehicle, which he was willing to do. **Councilmember Antonsen motioned to purchase a 2015 Ford Interceptor Utility at \$26076.00 with the five state approved options of the light, spot light, post mounted 6", rear door handles inoperable, rear window power delete, remote keyless fobs, and noise suppression bonds for \$995.00 which totals \$27071.00 from Lamb Motor Company under contract number 16546 and to be dropped shipped to Platte Ford for delivery. Motion seconded by Councilmember Overweg. Motion carried on voice vote.**

NEW BUSINESS.

Official Canvass of Election: Councilmember Hoppe motioned to accept the one provisional vote in favor of Mitch Antonsen and to approve the Official Canvass for the April 8, 2014, Ward III Alderman election. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on voice vote.

Arbor Day Proclamation: Councilmember Overweg moved, Hoppe seconded and motion carried on voice vote approving the following proclamation:



WHEREAS, In 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our home, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and

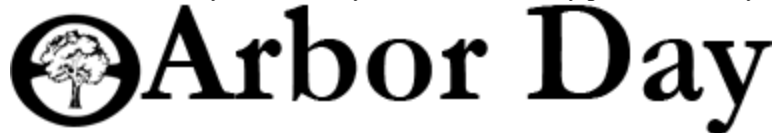
WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance our economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, trees are a source of joy and spiritual renewal, and

WHEREAS, the City of Platte has been recognized as a Tree City USA community by The National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree planting practices,

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Rick Gustad, Mayor of the City of Platte, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 25, 2014 as



in the City of Platte, and I urge all citizens to support efforts to care for our trees and woodlands and to support our city's community forestry programs, and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well being of present and future generations.

Dated in Platte, South Dakota this 21st day of April 2014.

By: /s/
Rick Gustad
Mayor of Platte

ATTEST: /s/
Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer

Pipal House & Car Wash: Mayor Gustad reported that the transaction is complete for the Pipal property. Mayor Gustad had asked the council to consider what their intentions and thoughts were regarding the property and now asked for that input. It was noted that the City does not have a need for the car wash building and the house should be sold. A sale date and time was not determined at this time.

Councilmember Hoppe motioned to declare the house, car wash, out buildings, and all small items as surplus to be sold by public auction with the date to be determined. Motion seconded by Councilmember Antonsen. Motion carried on voice vote.

Recommendation from Planning Commission: Planning Commission representative Hoppe informed the council that the Planning Commission recommends the denial of DeWayne Kaemingk's variance request for the house at 600 South Delaware.

Set Public Hearing – DeWayne Kaemingk Variance: Councilmember Overweg motioned to set the public hearing date of Monday, May 5th at 7:50 p.m. for the consideration of the variance request by DeWayne Kaemingk. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on voice vote.

Executive Session – Personnel: Councilmember Lang motioned to enter executive session at 8:27 p.m. for the discussion of personnel. Motion seconded by Councilmember Antonsen. Mayor Gustad declared an end to executive session at 9:15 p.m. Councilmember Overweg moved and Antonsen seconded to hire Kaysa Marlo as pool manager for the 2014 summer season at \$11.00 per hour based on a 40 hour work week. Motion carried on voice vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Hoppe moved and Lang seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Rick Gustad
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer