

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
UNAPPROVED REGULAR MEETING
May 19, 2014**

Mayor Gustad called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Those present for roll call were: Joel Foxley, Rick Gustad, Rich Hoppe, Jarrod Lang, Jerry Overweg, and Todd Spoelstra. Councilmember Mitch Antonsen was absent. Others present were: Dave Johnson, Kevin Kuiper, Shauna Meyerink, Mark Mount, Ralph Natchigal, and David Sarne.

AGENDA.

MINUTES. Councilmember Hoppe moved and Overweg seconded to approve the May 5th 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) Requested permission to attend Finance Officers School in Oacoma June 11th – 13th. Council granted permission. 2) Meyerink informed the council of the elected officials workshop on July 23rd in Pierre. 3) Reminded the council of the disaster mitigation meeting on May 29th. 4) The April financial report will be in the June 2nd packet. During posting of month end, there were software problems. 5) Meyerink also reported on an upcoming pre-con meeting to be held on Friday, May 23rd for the Midstate buried fiber optic job to be held in Platte this summer.

Police Department. Chief Semmler presented the following report for the month of April.

AGE RELATED ISSUES

JUVENILE CONTACTS	Nos.	ADULT CONTACTS	Nos.
Verbal Warnings	3	Verbal Warnings	13
Written Warnings	1	Written Warnings	6
Written Citations (1 stop)	5	Written Citations	4
Traffic Complaints Received	0	Traffic Complaints Received	1
Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	9	Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	24
Open Container Citations	0		
Underage Tobacco	0	DWI Arrests	0
DWI Arrests	0	Open Container Warnings	0
Underage Consumption (-18)	0	Open Container Citations	0
Underage Consumption (+18)	1	Field Sobriety Tests Only	0
Total Alcohol Related Contacts	1	Total Alcohol Related Contacts	0

NON-AGE DELINEATED CONTACTS

Property Related Issues	Nos.	Family Violence	Nos.
Vehicle Accidents	2	Complaints	1
Warrant Arrests	1	Arrests	0
Burglary Complaints	4	Protective Custody	1

Drug Reports/Complaints	1	Domestic Violence Calls	2
Welfare Checks	6	Dog Issues	
Robbery Arrests	0	Complaints	1
Theft Reports	3	Dogs Captured	1
Vandalism Reports	1	Dogs Terminated	0
Auto Thefts	0	Owners Warned	1
Assaults	0	Owners Issued Tickets	0
Other Complaints/Misc. Calls	50	Dog Bite	0
Other Arrests	0	Other Animals – Complaints	1
911 Calls	2	Terminated	0

GENERAL OPERATIONS STATISTICS

Miles Driven on 2011 Dodge	1200	Ambulance Assists	0
Miles Driven on Ford Crown Vic 09	1000	Community Service Performed	1
Time Vehicle Out of Service	0	Training Sessions Attended	4
Hours Spent in Court	0	Business Alarms	1
Funeral Escorts	3	Motorist Assists	1

Public Works. City Superintendent reported on the following topics: 1) Discharge sample results are back for the first week. All the levels look good and are falling within the permitted levels. 2) The swimming pool was drained and cleaned out. It will be power washed, painted, and filled before the end of the month with plans to open June 1st. 3) A new drinking fountain was ordered, has arrived, and hopes are to have it installed by June 1st. Dwayne Nydam and his children donated money for the fountain in South Park as a memorial of Jalene.

PUBLIC FORUM.

BUILDING PERMITS.

CLAIMS.

It was noted that the vendor needed to be changed for the roof unit filters. **Councilmember Lang motioned to approve all claims with the correction of the roof unit filters vendor to Konechne Heating and Cooling and the addition of the \$75.00 registration fee for Finance Officer school. Motion seconded by Councilmember Foxley. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0. (Attached as separate document)**

OLD BUSINESS.

Swim Team: The Platte Swim Team requested the City provide two lifeguards for the swim team practices and events at the May 5th meeting. One guard would coach the team while the other would be on deck guarding. Finance Officer Meyerink researched the request and reported back that the City does not have coaching liability under the GL policy and therefore the City cannot provide a coach. **Councilmember Lang motioned to have the City of Platte provide an adequate number of lifeguards during the swim teams practice and events held in town, but the City of Platte will not provide a coach or assistant coach; should a lifeguard choose to assist with swim team, it will be on their time, not on City time. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hoppe. Motion carried on voice vote.**

NEW BUSINESS.

Public Hearing – Temporary Liquor License (Yellow Rose): Mayor Gustad opened the public hearing at 7:45 p.m. for public comment. After no comment, Mayor Gustad closed the public hearing at 7:47 p.m. **Councilmember Foxley moved and Councilmember Lang seconded to approve the temporary liquor**

license request for the Yellow Rose for a wedding dance on June 7th at the Platte Community Center. Motion carried on voice vote.

Public Hearing – Lorensen Variance Request: Mayor Gustad opened the public hearing at 7:50 p.m. for the consideration of a variance request for Roy and Norma Lorensen. Councilmember Hoppe stated the Planning Commission recommended the approval of said request. Councilmember Overweg questioned if the existing deck was of and were going to replace. Finance Officer Meyerink stated the existing front steps crumbled off and new steps were needed. With no further comments Mayor Gustad closed the public hearing at 7:51 p.m. **Councilmember Overweg moved and Hoppe seconded to approve the variance request from Roy and Norma Lorensen at 514 South Delaware for a 10'x12' deck with steps. Motion carried on a Board of Adjustment roll call vote of 6-0.**

Public Hearing – Nydam Variance Request: Mayor Gustad opened the public hearing at 7:55 p.m. for the consideration of a variance request for Dwayne Nydam. Councilmember Hoppe stated the Planning Commission recommended the denial of the variance request for the front yard but would approve the back yard. With no further comments, Mayor Gustad closed the public hearing at 7:56 p.m. Finance Officer Meyerink presented a letter from Eugene Westendorf. The letter stated, "I can see where it would create a snow problem for the property to the South. It's way too close to the property line on both south and north. I can see if it was west of the property tho, no complaint. Councilmember Spoelstra stated that he noticed on an inspection of the property that it couldn't be put in the back yard. **Councilmember Foxley moved and Spoelstra seconded to deny the variance request by Dwayne Nydam for a 10'x20' carport at 8 South Illinois and 10 South Illinois Avenue. Motion carried on a Board of Adjustment roll call vote of 6-0.**

Platte Airport FBO – Mark Mount/ Dave Howard: Mount and Dave Johnson appeared before the City Council on behalf and in support of Dave Howard from Vermillion who wishes to establish an FBO at the Platte Airport. Mount explained the questions from Howard are: what are the expectations, where can the FBO be built and what are the councils thoughts. Mayor Gustad informed Mount and Johnson that the new addition to the East side has pre-established areas for FBOs. The established area happens to fall within the parking lot area, which in turn would stretch the parking further to the East should the FBO be built. The current rate for rentals is \$0.08 per square foot. A submission of plans and intentions would need to be provided prior to the council taking action on any said activity. Councilmember Overweg questioned what would keep Howard here if the council so agrees to the plans. Mayor Gustad explained there would be a five year lease approved by the City Council. Mount questioned whose responsibility it would be to correct the fence since it sits on the pre-established area. Mayor Gustad informed Mount that it is ultimately the FBO owners responsibility but that the City would consider joint effort in it. The council stated they would absolutely like to see a proposal. No further action was taken at this time.

Water Break Discussion: Finance Officer Meyerink presented a bill for \$765.30 for a service line break behind Bobbi's Hair Flair. The water service was shut off and the leak quit. The line was on private property, and Plooster's called Berens Excavating to dig up the line. Once the excavation started, two water lines were found. It has been determined that one line serviced the burnt down building between Bank of the West and Bobbi's. Kuiper reported that the line was turned off at one time to cap it. When and why the water service was turned back on has not been determined. **Councilmember Spoelstra moved and Hoppe seconded to pay the Berens Excavating invoice in the amount of \$765.30, for the water line behind Bobbi's Hair Flair. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0.**

Street Closure Request: Fire Chief Rick Gustad requested permission to close either 6th Street just in front of the fire station or Indiana Avenue behind the City Maintenance for approximately three hours. The closure of the street would allow the department to host a water fight competition following the days training session. Weather would determine which street would be closed the day of the function. **Councilmember Foxley moved and Overweg seconded to approve the request of closure of either 6th Street in front of**

the fire station or Indiana Avenue behind the City Maintenance shop, which will be determined by weather, on June 7th. Motion carried on voice vote.

Temporary Liquor License Request – Fergie’s Pub & Barrister: Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the temporary liquor license request for Fergie’s Pub & Barrister for a wedding reception on August 9th. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on voice vote.

Recommendation for Planning Commission: Councilmember Hoppe state the Planning Commission recommends the approval of the eleven foot variance request by Travis and Shannon Tegethoff.

Set Public Hearing – Tegethoff Variance Request: Councilmember Hoppe motioned to set the public hearing for Travis and Shannon Tegethoff’s variance request for Monday, June 2nd at 7:50 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilmember Overweg. Motion carried on voice vote.

Executive Session – Personnel: Councilmember Overweg moved and Spoelstra seconded to enter into executive session at 8:29 p.m. for the discussion of personnel. Motion carried on voice vote. Mayor Gustad declared an end to executive session at 8:38 p.m. Councilmember Lang motioned to advertise for a full-time maintenance personnel with applications due by Wednesday, June 25th at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried on voice vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Lang moved and Spoelstra seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Rick Gustad
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer