

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APPROVED REGULAR MEETING
April 6, 2015**

Mayor Gustad called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Those present for roll call were: Tom Boltjes, Joel Foxley, Rick Gustad, Rich Hoppe, Jarrod Lang, and Jerry Overweg. Others present were: Sharon Huizenga, Kevin Kuiper, Shauna Meyerink, and Brandon Semmler.

AGENDA.

MINUTES.

Councilmember Hoppe moved and Boltjes seconded to approve the March 16th regular council meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried on voice vote.

REPORTS.

Mayor and Councilmembers: No report.

Finance Officer. Finance Officer Meyerink reported on the following topics: 1) The February financial report was included in the packet. 2) The Paint South Dakota information has been received. Council requested the Ministerial Association be notified. 3) The Community Center is in need of new carpet in the entrance. Meyerink stated the Community Center Board members have all been contacted and agree with replacing the carpet with the carpet tiles.

Police Department. Chief Semmler presented the following report for the month of March 2015.

AGE RELATED ISSUES

JUVENILE CONTACTS	Nos.	ADULT CONTACTS	Nos.
Verbal Warnings	0	Verbal Warnings	24
Written Warnings	2	Written Warnings	0
Written Citations (1 stop)	1	Written Citations	2
Traffic Complaints Received	0	Traffic Complaints Received	7
Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	3	Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	33
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)	0	Field Sobriety Tests Only	0
Total Alcohol Related Contacts	0	Total Alcohol Related Contacts	0

NON-AGE DELINEATED CONTACTS

Property Related Issues	Nos.	Family Violence	Nos.
Vehicle Accidents	4	Complaints	1
Warrant Arrests	0	Arrests	0
Burglary Complaints	0	Protective Custody	0
Drug Reports/Complaints	1	Domestic Violence Calls	1
Welfare Checks	1	Dog Issues	

Mental Health Committals	1	Complaints	11
Theft Reports	1	Dogs Captured	8
Vandalism Reports	0	Dogs Terminated	0
Grand Theft	0	Owners Warned	4
Assaults	0	Owners Issued Tickets	0
Other Complaints/Misc. Calls	44	Dog Bite	0
Other Arrests	2	Other Animals – Complaints	3
911 Calls	4	Terminated	0

GENERAL OPERATIONS STATISTICS

Miles Driven on 2011 Dodge	1300	Ambulance Assists	0
Miles Driven on Ford Interceptor	1300	Community Service Performed	0
Time Vehicle Out of Service	0	Training Sessions Attended	0
Hours Spent in Court	0	Business Alarms	0
Funeral Escorts	5	Motorist Assists	4

Chief Semmler also reported on the following topics: 1) A request was received to install a stop sign at the corner of 10th and Indiana, on the south side. It is currently just a one way stop on that corner. Semmler stated he had been unable to confirm any concerns. Councilmember Lang stated there has also been some concerns of stop signs needed around North Park. **Councilmember Hoppe moved and Overweg seconded to install a stop sign at the corner of 10th Street and Indiana. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Public Works. City Superintendent Kuiper reported on the following topics: 1) The cleaning of the drainage ditch behind Fergies Pub & Barrister has begun. 2) Permission to discharge was granted and will begin on April 7th. 3) Kuiper stated that he has researched the cost of water meters for the lines that are currently unmetered and owned by the City. For an approximate \$3,500.00, meters could be purchased for the complex, fire station, boulevard, and North Park. Mayor Gustad questioned if the irrigation lines at South Park should also be included in the meter readings. Kuiper stated the lines could be removed or inactivated until needed in the future. **Councilmember Foxley motioned to purchase meters for the unmetered City lines at an approximate cost of \$3,500.00. Motion seconded by Councilmember Boltjes. Motion carried on a voice vote.** 4) The County has cleaned up and removed several cottonwood trees at the landfill. The fence is destroyed where the trees were. For \$1,200.00 dollars a new three-strand barb-wire fence could be installed. Individuals are currently driving through the ditch to access the landfill at their convenience where the trees were removed. **Councilmember Foxley moved and Hoppe seconded to install a three-strand barb-wire fence for \$1,200.00. Motion carried on voice vote.** 5) The Pipal property has been leveled and seeded. 6) Kuiper questioned if the council was satisfied with the water/wastewater study or if they were interested in a second opinion. Mayor Gustad stated he was interested in speaking with DENR when they came to the City on April 7th before he formed an opinion. Councilmember Hoppe stated he was interested in obtaining a second opinion. No further action was taken at this time. 7) Kuiper requested permission to attend the Wastewater Seminar in Pierre April 29th and 30th. Kuiper stated that if permission was granted, the mosquito fogger could be calibrated on April 28th prior to the seminar. Council granted permission for Kuiper to attend the Wastewater seminar April 29th and 30th. 8) Kuiper requested that his City cell phone be upgraded to a smart phone and offered to purchase the phone and any increase in current bill charges. **Councilmember Overweg motioned to upgrade Kevin’s phone to a smart phone and match the current data package. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hoppe. Motion carried on a voice vote.**

PUBLIC FORUM.

BUILDING PERMITS.

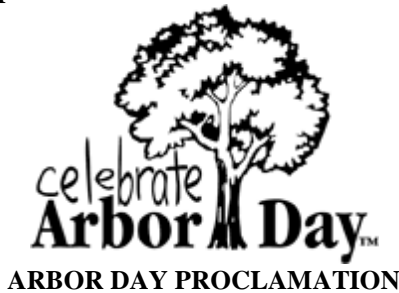
CLAIMS.

Finance Officer Meyerink requested the following amendments be made to the claims list: 1) delete the claim to Galls in the amount of \$151.88, as the duty holster will be returned, and 2) add the claim to Stamp Fulfillment Services for envelopes in the amount of \$1,057.85; thus making the total of all claims \$68,271.67. **Councilmember Lang motioned to approve the claims as amended. Motion seconded by Councilmember Foxley. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0.** *(Attached as separate document)*

OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS.

Arbor Day Proclamation: Councilmember Boltjes 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

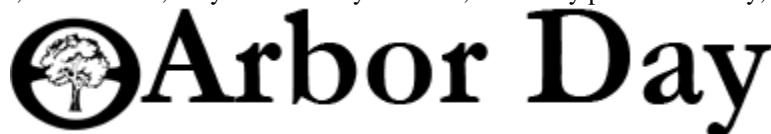
WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance our economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

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 24, 2015 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 6th day of April 2015.

By: /s/
Rick Gustad
Mayor of Platte

ATTEST: /s/
Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer

Alley Closure Request for July 3rd (Between 4th & 5th): Kevin Kuiper was present on behalf of Kuip's Lounge to request the closure of the alley between 4th Street and 5th Street. The alley would be closed from late afternoon on July 3rd until 6:00 a.m. on July 4th. Kuiper stated that he was in the process of getting rental agreements signed with all surrounding business owners for liability reasons. Council tabled the request until Monday April 20th when the temporary liquor license will be discussed.

Set Public Hearing – Temporary Liquor License – Kuip's: Councilmember Hoppe moved and Foxley seconded to set a public hearing for a temporary liquor license request from Kuip's Lounge for Monday, April 20th at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried on voice vote.

Lifeguard Applications: Finance Officer Meyerink presented applications from Ellise Ringling, Jessica Nepodal, and Hailey Wagner for lifeguard positions at the Platte Pool. **Councilmember Hoppe moved and Lang seconded to offer employment to Ellise Ringling, Jessica Nepodal, and Hailey Wagner at the pay scale set on March 2, 2015. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Tree Spraying Quotes: Finance Officer Meyerink presented two spray quotes for tree spraying: Platte Tree and Lawn Care quoted \$547.50; and Don Brondsema quoted \$775.00. **Councilmember Foxley motioned to accept the quotes for tree spraying with Platte Tree & Lawn to be utilized unless unable to fulfill the request. Motion seconded by Councilmember Boltjes. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Spruce Up Platte Application: Finance Officer Meyerink presented a Spruce Up Platte application from John Heller for the property located at 607 South Illinois Avenue. Heller was requesting the assistance of the Spruce Up program following a recent house fire. Mayor Gustad stated that this particular application did not align with the true intent of the program and felt this application should be denied. Mr. Heller was questioned by Council as to whether he would be rebuilding on the lot. Heller stated he would not be rebuilding on that lot. **Councilmember Foxley moved and Boltjes seconded to approve the Spruce Up application from John Heller for the property located at 607 South Illinois Avenue. Motion carried on a voice vote of 4-1 with Councilmember Lang opposing.**

Sealed Bids for 2009 Ford Crown Vic: Finance Officer Meyerink presented three bids for the 2009 Ford Crown Vic. The quotes were as follows: 1) Chicago Motors bid \$2,707.00; the City of Faith bid \$6,292.00; and the City of Winner bid \$6,301.00. **Councilmember Lang moved and Foxley seconded awarding the bid for the 2009 Ford Crown Vic to the City of Winner for \$6,301.00. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Resignation of Councilmember Antonsen: Finance Officer Meyerink presented the resignation of Councilmember Antonsen. **Councilmember Foxley moved and Overweg seconded accepting the resignation of Councilmember Antonsen. Motion carried on voice vote.** Council stated that any interested persons should contact a councilmember or the City Office.

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Overweg moved and Lang seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Rick Gustad
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer