

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APPROVED REGULAR MEETING
August 3, 2015**

Mayor Christensen called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Those present for roll call were: Tom Boltjes, Steve Christensen, Rich Hoppe, Jarrod Lang, Jerry Overweg, and Scott Vanden Berge. Councilmember Joel Foxley was absent. Others present were: Sharon Huizenga, LeAnn Kerzman, Shauna Meyerink, David Sarne, Tom Tatum, and Paul Turnbull.

AGENDA.

MINUTES.

Councilmember Lang moved and Hoppe seconded to approve the July 20th regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried on voice vote.

REPORTS.

Councilmember Lang: Councilmember Lang informed the council of the pool meeting held with Helms on July 23rd. During the meeting such items that were discussed included: 6 lanes at 25 meters, zero depth, and removal of the splash area. Helms will price the pool out in sections (zero depth area, lanes area, and the large slide). If the project can go to bid in January, it would not be complete until the end of 2016's season. However, during construction the existing pool would be able to be open except for an occasional couple of days to connect water and sewer lines. There will also be a number of projects to be done by the City or volunteer labor.

Mayor Christensen: Mayor Christensen provided the council with a description of the budget training session in which he attended. Christensen requested the committees meet with their department heads to put together an equipment replacement schedule for the next five years. Mayor Christensen stated he is asking for the schedules to try to prevent having to do large supplements for unbudgeted purchases. Christensen also stated that he will be researching the availability of grants in which the City can pursue.

Remaining Councilmembers: No report.

Finance Officer. Finance Officer Meyerink reported on the following topics: 1) Introduced LeAnn Kerzman of Midwest Assistance Program (MAP). Meyerink stated they had been working on the sewer rates and Kermzan will be putting together a rate recommendation based on project estimates and annual expenses. Kerman stated she has worked with Dawn from HR Green in the past and has been in contact with her on Platte's project. Kerzman questioned if the council had any desire to alter the current rate structure at all, in which they did not. The council was also informed that in order to qualify for SRF Funding and grants, the City's sewer must be at a minimum of \$30.00 for a 5,000 gallon user. Meyerink and Kerzman will continue to work on the analysis together and tentatively be able to provide a recommendation at the September 8th meeting. 2) Meyerink requested permission to attend the SDML Annual Conference October 6th through the 9th in Watertown. Meyerink was granted permission to attend. In addition, Mayor Steve Christensen and Councilmember Jarrod Lang plan to attend the conference. 3) Will be setting up committee meetings for the 2016 budget.

Police Department. No report.

Public Works. No report.

PUBLIC FORUM.

BUILDING PERMITS.

CLAIMS.

Finance Officer Meyerink requested the addition of a Petty Cash claim in the amount of \$262.18, making the total of all claims \$215,273.04. **Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve all claims with the addition of the Petty Cash claim of \$262.18 for a total of \$215,273.04. Motion seconded by Councilmember Overweg. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0. (Attached as separate document)**

OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS.

Public Hearing for Temporary Liquor License – Yellow Rose: Mayor Christensen opened the public hearing at 7:50 p.m. for public comment on a temporary liquor license for the Yellow Rose. With no comments, Mayor Christensen closed the public hearing at 7:51 p.m. **Councilmember Hoppe moved and Vanden Berge seconded to approve a temporary liquor license request for the Yellow Rose for the RMEF Banquet on Saturday, August 15th. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Public Hearing for Variance Request – Tatum: Mayor Christensen opened the public hearing at 7:55 p.m. for public comments. Tom Tatum was present to inform the council that Larry Sprik would be doing the work and after re-measuring not as much of a variance will be needed. Tatum said the roof would not protrude toward the street any further than any other house on that block. With no further comments, Mayor Christensen closed the public hearing at 7:57 p.m. Planning Commission Chairman Vanden Berge informed the council there was no recommendation from the Planning Commission as there was no second to the motion to approve. **Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the variance request of Tom Tatum for the addition of colored tin or plastic roof over the entrance of the home located at 410 South Wyoming Avenue. Motion seconded by Councilmember Vanden Berge. Motion carried on a Board of Adjustment roll call vote of 6-0.**

Public Hearing for Variance Request – Turnbull: Mayor Christensen opened the public hearing at 8:02 p.m. for the consideration of a variance request by Paul Turnbull for a 16'x18' new shed. Turnbull stated that after thinking about the suggestions at the planning commission meeting, he is reconsidering and the shed may be a 16'x16' or a 14'x16' shed instead of a 16'x18' shed. Turnbull stated that he would still like to ask for the same variance to clear up his yard. The fence is permanent stated Turnbull. After no further comments, Mayor Christensen closed the public hearing at 8:07 p.m. Planning Commission Chairman Vanden Berge informed the council there was not a second to the motion to recommend approval from the Planning Commission therefore making it a no recommendation. **Councilmember Vanden Berge moved and Boltjes seconded to approve the 3' variance request from Paul Turnbull for a new shed at 612 East 3rd Street. Motion carried on a Board of Adjustment roll call vote of 6-0.**

Public Hearing for Variance Request – Iedema: Mayor Christensen opened the public hearing at 8:09 p.m. for public comments on the variance request of Jeremy and Brenda Iedema. With no comments, Mayor Christensen closed the public hearing at 8:10 p.m. Planning Commission chairman Vanden Berge, told the council the planning commission recommended an approval of the variance. **Councilmember Overweg moved and Lang seconded to approve the 4' variance request for Jeremy and Brenda Iedema at 600 South Delaware Avenue. Motion carried on a Board of Adjustment 6-0 roll call vote.**

Supplemental Ordinance No. 335: Finance Officer Meyerink presented Supplemental Ordinance No. 335 which supplemented the Street Department by \$168,232.00 for a new 2015 Elgin Pelican Street sweeper. **Councilmember Hoppe motioned to give first reading to Supplemental Ordinance No. 335 which supplements the General Fund, Street Department by \$168,232.00 for a new 2015 Elgin Pelican Street**

Sweeper from the City's undesignated fund balance. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0.

Surplus Old Street Sweeper: Finance Officer Meyerink requested the council surplus the 1994 Elgin Pelican Series P street sweeper. Meyerink also explained that the street sweeper could not be traded in as it was not on the original purchase agreement to have a trade in. **Councilmember Boljtes moved to surplus the 1994 Elgin Pelican Series P street sweeper and to sell by sealed bids due by September 3rd at 4:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilmember Overweg. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0.**

Executive Session:

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Hoppe moved and Lang seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Steve Christensen
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer