

The Council met in regular session and in compliance with agenda posted at City Hall, Post Office and First Bank of Nebraska with each Council member being notified of agenda prior to the meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Loren Lindahl at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor informed the public of the location of posting of the Open Meetings Law. Roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Mike Lawver, Greg Kavan, Gerry Tyler, Stuart Krejci, and Kevin Dunbar. Absent: Jim Svoboda.

A motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Kavan, to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda:

1. Excused absence of Jim Svoboda from March 24, 2016 meeting
2. Minutes of the March 10, 2016 meeting of the Mayor and Council
3. Minutes of March 8, 2016 meeting of Library Board
4. Approval of Michael Meduna as a member of the Wahoo Volunteer Fire Department
5. Licenses: Plumbers: Clayton Timperley, Jettters Plumbing, Inc. Fremont, plumber; Douglas Hedges, TSI Mechanical LLC, LaVista, plumber; Brian Wiese, Wiese Plumbing & Excavating Inc., Fremont, plumber; Adrian T Doan, Bryant Air Conditioning & Heating, Lincoln, mechanical; Leo Costanzo, Controlled Comfort, LaVista, mechanical; and Richard Wolfe, Wolfe Electric Company, Lincoln, electrician.

Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and Dunbar, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Council Committee reports were given. Dunbar reported the Finance Committee had met with Saunders Medical Center administration as well as Mark Meyer with Wahoo Rescue Squad to discuss staffing options. Lawver reported the Street Committee had met and would be reporting on items later in the meeting.

Harrell reported the Liberty House Conditional Use Review Committee had met and would be presenting a report at the next meeting. Harrell also reported the office is working on several nuisance properties and preparing to abate several of them where property owners are non-compliant. Harrell reminded City Council of the Open House/Town Hall meeting at the Library to get input on the Comprehensive Plan Update on Wednesday, March 30th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The City Attorney reported on the status of the appeal of taxable status and reviewed the process that would be followed.

Mike Beckman was present to explain his request for a change in his liquor license from DK to Class C. A motion was made by Kavan, seconded by Tyler, to approve the requested change of class of liquor license for Beckman's from Class DK to Class C, as requested by the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; Dunbar, yes; and Lawver, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dunbar, seconded by Krejci, to approval payment of Pay Application #2 from M.E. Collins Contracting Co., for Lake Wanahoo Trail – Phase II, in the amount of \$53,099.55. Roll call vote: Dunbar, yes; Krejci, yes; Lawver, abstained from voting due to conflict of interest; Kavan, yes; and Tyler, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

An engineering agreement with JEO Consulting Group was presented to the Council for consideration for the 2016 Drainage Improvements on North Linden Street, to be completed through an intern program at

JEO Consulting Group, at no cost to the City. A motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Krejci, to approve the agreement as presented. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Krejci, yes; Dunbar, yes; Kavan, yes; and Tyler, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Jake Vasa was present to review a design engineering agreement with JEO Consulting Group for Chestnut Street, 1st Street, and 12th Street Improvements. The scope of services was reviewed with the Council for a full understanding of the extent of the project. Questions were raised about how JEO was selected for this project and members of the Street Committee indicated they held a discussion about the pros and cons of pursuing this project with JEO. Estimated project costs were reviewed. It was agreed that having a complete plan for the corridor through Wahoo would be good so projects could be implemented as funds became available. Questions were raised about the walkability of this area and the importance of having sidewalks included in this design project. Tyler indicated the Board of Public Works had discussed the utility projects that would need to be completed or coordinated with this project. More discussion was held on whether or not the engineering services should be a formal bid process or not, countered with the discussion of how to bid engineering services. The Street Committee recommended approval of the agreement as presented. A motion was made by Dunbar, seconded by Lawver, to approve the design engineering agreement for Chestnut Street, 1st Street, and 12th Street Improvements as presented. Roll call vote: Dunbar, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; and Krejci, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Mayor Lindahl left the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Council President Krejci served as Acting Mayor.

Jeff Ray with JEO Consulting Group was present to review a proposal for a Blight and Substandard Study for an area of Wahoo located along and adjacent to North Chestnut. The agreement was reviewed in detail with the Council. A motion was made by Tyler, seconded by Dunbar, to approve the agreement as presented. Roll call vote: Tyler, yes; Dunbar, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, no; and Krejci, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Mayor Lindahl returned to the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

A motion was made by Kavan, seconded by Krejci, to authorize the Mayor to sign the First Addendum to Commercial Lease Agreement for the Wahoo Arrow sign located on north Chestnut. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Krejci, yes; Dunbar, yes; Lawver, yes; and Tyler, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Krejci, seconded by Kavan, to authorize the staff to prepare the following in relation to road improvements to 15th Street west of Hackberry Street, in cooperation with Saunders County: a) Interlocal Agreement to address terms of joint project between the City of Wahoo and Saunders County, b) Amendment to the City's One and Six Year Road Plan for the project, and c) Annexation plat and ordinance to annex the portion of 15th Street located east of Dry Run Creek bridge and west Hackberry Street. Roll call vote: Krejci, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Dunbar, yes; and Lawver, yes. Svoboda, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Motion by Kavan, seconded by Lawver, to adjourn at 8:07 p.m.

Approved:

Melissa M. Harrell, City Clerk

Loren L. Lindahl, Mayor