

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, and Stuart Krejci, Jim Svoboda, and Kevin Dunbar. Absent: none.

A motion was made by Svoboda, seconded by Tyler, to nominate Stuart Krejci as President of the Council, cease nominations, and cast a unanimous ballot. Roll call vote: Svoboda, yes; Tyler, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Krejci, yes; and Dunbar, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Council members were reminded to file Potential Conflict of Interest statements.

The Mayor presented the following appointments:

City Officials

CITY ADMIN/CLERK/TREASURER:	Melissa M. Harrell
CITY ENGINEER/STREET SUPT.:	Steve Parr with JEO Consulting Group
CITY PHYSICIAN:	Dr. Leo Meduna
CHIEF OF POLICE:	Kenneth Jackson
BUILDING INSPECTOR:	Travis Beavers
STREET COMM/CEMETERY SEXTON:	David Jansa
EMS DIRECTOR:	Grant Anderson

Ordinance No. 2260 was introduced by Kavan entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAHOO APPROVING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF SUCH OFFICERS AS SHALL BE REQUIRED BY ORDINANCE OR LAW AND ESTABLISHING THE TERM OF SAID OFFICERS. The Mayor then instructed the Clerk to read Ordinance No. 2260 of the City of Wahoo, Nebraska. The Clerk thereupon read the aforesaid Ordinance No. 2260 by title.

Council Member Lawver moved that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and adoption of ordinances be suspended so that the said ordinance might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting. Council Member Kavan seconded said motion. The Mayor put the question and instructed the Clerk to call for the roll for the vote thereon. The Clerk called the roll and the following was the vote on the motion to suspend the rules: Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; and Dunbar, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried. The motion having been carried by the affirmative votes of no less than three-fourths of the members of the Council, the Mayor declared the statutory rules in regards to the passage and approval of ordinance be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2260 may be read by title and moved for final passage in the same meeting.

Council Member Kavan moved that Ordinance No. 2260 be approved and passed and its title agreed to. Council Member Svoboda seconded the motion. The Mayor instructed the Clerk to call the roll for the vote and the following was the vote on this motion: Kavan, yes; Svoboda, yes; Dunbar, yes; Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; and Krejci, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred then by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted and the Mayor, in the presence of the Council, signed and approved the Ordinance and Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed

signatures thereto. The Mayor ordered the Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form and that said Ordinance be kept in a separate and distinct Ordinance volume record, and that said and distinct Volume be incorporated and made a part of these proceedings the same as though it was read at large herein.

Due to conflict of interest on the matter of appointment of City Attorney, the Mayor was excused from the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

The President of the Council appointed the firm of Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy and Lausterer as City Attorney, and stated the process of approval of claims by the City Administrator and City Council President has worked well the past year.

Ordinance No. 2261 was introduced by Krejci entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAHOO TO APPOINT THE CITY ATTORNEY, ESTABLISH TERM AND SET COMPENSATION. The President of the Council then instructed the Clerk to read Ordinance No. 2261 of the City of Wahoo, Nebraska. The Clerk thereupon read the aforesaid Ordinance No. 2261 by title.

Council Member Lawver moved that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and adoption of ordinances be suspended so that the said ordinance might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting. Council Member Tyler seconded said motion. The President of the Council put the question and instructed the Clerk to call for the roll for the vote thereon. The Clerk called the roll and the following was the vote on the motion to suspend the rules: Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; Dunbar, yes; and Kavan, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried. The motion having been carried by the affirmative votes of no less than three-fourths of the members of the Council, the President of the Council declared the statutory rules in regards to the passage and approval of ordinance be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2261 may be read by title and moved for final passage in the same meeting.

Council Member Krejci moved that Ordinance No. 2261 be approved and passed and its title agreed to. Council Member Dunbar seconded the motion. The President of the Council instructed the Clerk to call the roll for the vote and the following was the vote on this motion: Krejci, yes; Dunbar, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred then by a majority of all members of the Council, the President of the Council declared the Ordinance adopted and, in the presence of the Council, signed and approved the Ordinance and Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed signatures thereto. The President of the Council ordered the Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form and that said Ordinance be kept in a separate and distinct Ordinance volume record, and that said and distinct Volume be incorporated and made a part of these proceedings the same as though it was read at large herein.

Jovan Lausterer discussed the proposed retainer agreement. The President of the Council requested approval of the retainer agreement with the firm of Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy, which provides that any work in excess of the retainer shall be approved by the City Administrator and/or City Council President, and that Loren Lindahl will abstain from all discussions and from all votes regarding the approval of claims regarding attorney fees with such firm.

Motion was made by Krejci, seconded by Tyler to approve the retainer agreement with Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy. Roll call vote: Krejci, yes; Tyler, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Dunbar, yes; and Svoboda, yes. Retainer agreement approved.

The Mayor returned to the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

The Mayor presented his recommendation for salaries of appointed officials.

Ordinance No. 2262 was introduced by Kavan entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAHOO FIXING THE SALARIES OF THE APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF WAHOO. The Mayor then instructed the Clerk to read Ordinance No. 2262 of the City of Wahoo, Nebraska. The Clerk thereupon read the aforesaid Ordinance No. 2262 by title.

Council Member Svoboda moved that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and adoption of ordinances be suspended so that the said ordinance might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting. Council Member Krejci seconded said motion. The Mayor put the question and instructed the Clerk to call for the roll for the vote thereon. The Clerk called the roll and the following was the vote on the motion to suspend the rules: Roll call vote: Svoboda, yes; Krejci, yes; Dunbar, yes; Tyler, yes; Kavan, yes; and Lawver, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried. The motion having been carried by the affirmative votes of no less than three-fourths of the members of the Council, the Mayor declared the statutory rules in regards to the passage and approval of ordinance be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2262 may be read by title and moved for final passage in the same meeting.

Council Member Kavan moved that Ordinance No. 2262 be approved and passed and its title agreed to. Council Member Krejci seconded the motion. The Mayor instructed the Clerk to call the roll for the vote and the following was the vote on this motion: Kavan, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; Dunbar, yes; Lawver, abstained due to conflict of interest; and Tyler, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred then by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted and, in the presence of the Council, signed and approved the Ordinance and Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed signatures thereto. The Mayor ordered the Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form and that said Ordinance be kept in a separate and distinct Ordinance volume record, and that said and distinct Volume be incorporated and made a part of these proceedings the same as though it was read at large herein.

The Mayor presented the following assignments to Council committees and special committees, unchanged from last year:

Standing Council Committees

GENERAL:	Svoboda, Kavan, Tyler
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:	Dunbar, Lawver, Krejci
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL:	Krejci, Svoboda, Dunbar
STREETS AND SANITATION:	Lawver, Svoboda, Tyler
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE:	Kavan, Dunbar, Krejci
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS:	Tyler, Kavan
AIRPORT:	Svoboda

Special Committees of the Council

ECONOMIC DEV. ADVISORY BOARD:	Krejci, Dunbar
PARKS & REC. ADVISORY COMMITTEE:	Kavan, Dunbar
WAHOO PUBLIC BLDGS & GROUNDS:	Svoboda, Krejci, Lindahl

Motion by Lawver, seconded by Kavan, to ratify the Mayor's appointments as presented. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; and Dunbar, yes. Motion carried.

Harrell reported to the Council the current reasonable method of notification of Council meeting was made by posting at three locations in Wahoo: First Bank of Nebraska, Wahoo Post Office, and City Hall, as well as the www.wahoo.ne.us website, and that the current agenda deadline was 5:00 p.m. the Friday before the Council meeting. A motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Kavan, to approve the method of advance notice. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; Svoboda, yes; and Dunbar, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Harrell reported current signers on any City of Wahoo bank account are the City Administrator/ Clerk/Treasurer, the Mayor, and the Deputy City Clerk, and that two signatures were required for any withdrawal. The current designated depository of the City funds of the City of Wahoo is Wahoo State Bank; utility funds are at First Bank of Nebraska; and there is an additional account at Union Bank. Harrell reported claims are reviewed and approved by department heads, entered into Accounts Payable, approved by the City Administrator, and approved by the Mayor, and that the only claims officially approved, individually, by the Council are those that are connected to major infrastructure improvements that are under contract. Any claims or checks to Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy require signature and approval of the President of the Council.

A motion was made by Kavan, seconded by Lawver to keep depository of funds and procedure for approval of claims as described above. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Lawver, yes; Dunbar, yes; Svoboda, yes; Krejci, yes; and Tyler, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lawver, seconded by Svoboda, to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda:

1. Minutes of November 30, 2017 and December 1, 2017 meetings of Council
2. Minutes of November 17, 2017 meeting of Wahoo Library Board
3. Authorize the Wahoo Rescue Squad to solicit, charge or collect funds, fees, or charges for services as required under NE Statute 35-901
4. Acceptance of Michael Bramhall as a member of the EMS Department

Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Svoboda, yes; Dunbar, yes; Kavan, yes; Tyler, yes; and Krejci, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Department head reports presented. Street Department reported training on the new hoist and hot box machine, and work on ash tree removal. Denise Lawver reported the Library will celebrate its 95th year in 2018. Jackson noted excellent cooperation between law enforcement departments resulted in quick apprehension of bank robbery suspects. Anderson provided EMS statistics and report. Hull reported election of WVFD officers was held. Harrell reported the Airport Authority received a determination letter from the FAA. The stop light has been changed to flashing red and flashing yellow and stop signs are installed. Lausterer reported work with staff on zoning issues and nuisance process. Harrell requested a regular Street Committee meeting be set for the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Tyler reported the Board of Public Works met, and the budget hearing is set for the next Council meeting.

Application for Plumber's license by Jerry Wagner was reviewed. Lausterer reported a notice of willful violation was issued for plumbing work performed without a license, permits, or inspections. A second willful violation is cause for revocation of license under municipal code. Motion by Dunbar, seconded by Svoboda, to approve a Plumber's license for Jerry Wagner, Wahoo, NE. Roll call vote: Dunbar, yes; Svoboda, yes; Krejci, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; and Tyler, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Harrell reported language was added to the revised Comprehensive Plan referring to wellhead protection areas defined by the Department of Natural Resources, and the option for the City to adopt wellhead protection regulations at a future time.

Ordinance No. 2258, with revisions noted, was introduced by Lawver entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAHOO TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE XV: LAND USAGE, CHAPTER 151, SUBDIVISION AND ZONING REGULATIONS, SECTION 151.01 COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN. The Mayor then instructed the Clerk to read Ordinance No. 2258 of the City of Wahoo, Nebraska. The Clerk thereupon read the aforesaid Ordinance No. 2258 by title.

Council Member Lawver moved that Ordinance No. 2258 be approved and passed on its third and final reading and its title agreed to. Council Member Kavan seconded the motion. The Mayor instructed the Clerk to call the roll for the vote and the following was the vote on this motion: Lawver, yes; Tyler, yes; Krejci, yes; and Kavan, yes. Absent and not voting: Svoboda and Dunbar. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred then by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted and, in the presence of the Council, signed and approved the Ordinance and Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed signatures thereto. The Mayor ordered the Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form and that said Ordinance be kept in a separate and distinct Ordinance volume record, and that said and distinct Volume be incorporated and made a part of these proceedings the same as though it was read at large herein.

Lausterer recommended that hearing on cost of abatement of nuisance on Lot 1, Block 1, Stocking's Second Addition be tabled, as there is discussion ongoing regarding the difference between original quote and bill submitted for abatement. Jerry Johnson, representing the property owner, addressed the Council. Motion by Dunbar, seconded by Tyler, to table hearing to the next meeting. Roll call vote: Dunbar, yes; Tyler, yes; Kavan, yes; Lawver, yes; Svoboda, yes; and Krejci, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

No audience comments presented.

The Mayor asked the Council to review and discuss the proposed reorganization/restructuring of city management with a city administrator. Questions and comments are requested to move the process forward.

The Mayor reported he will be absent from the next meeting.

Motion by Kavan, seconded by Lawver, to adjourn at 8:03 p.m.

Approved:

Lucinda Morrow, Deputy Clerk

Loren L. Lindahl, Mayor