

The Council met in special work 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 Gerald D. Johnson at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were: Lawver, Kavan, Krejci, Boop, and Warford. Nagle was absent. The purpose of the work session was to discuss the process of community branding for the community of Wahoo. Matthew Landis of FES explained the process and services offered by FES through a phone presentation. Also present were: Melissa Harrell, Theresa Klein of Greater Wahoo Development/Chamber, Denise Lawver, Josh Krueger, and Kevin Stuhr.

Work session adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Approved:

Lucinda J. Morrow, Clerk

Gerald D. Johnson, Mayor

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 Gerald D. Johnson 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, Patrick Nagle, Stuart Krejci, Karen Boop, and Carl Warford. Absent: none.

Council Committee reports: The Finance Committee will meet February 5th. The General Committee met and discussed Police and EMS needs, and discussed zoning issues. The Board of Public Works met, and heard a presentation by Larry Arens of NPPD.

A motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Warford, to approve the consent agenda: 1) Minutes of the January 9, 2020, meeting of Mayor and Council; 2) Minutes of January 2, 2020 meeting of Planning Commission; 3) Licenses: Plumbers: David Miller, Mainelli Mechanical; Bryce Newbanks, Roto-Rooter; Mike Dean, BLT Plumbing, Heating & A/C. HVAC: Jory Heiss, Comforttechs; Bart Bosco, Air Comfort Heating & Cooling; Richard Kusleika, Standard Heating & Air Conditioning; Terry McNeil, Mainelli Mechanical; Lucas Schulz, BLT Plumbing, Heating & A/C. Electricians: Anthony Push, Blue Sky Heating & Air Conditioning; Brian Allison, Sentry Electric. Tree Contractor: Tim Mongar, Tim’s Tree Service; Korbin Stewart, S & S Tree Service.

Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Warford, yes; Kavan, yes; Nagle, yes; Krejci, yes; and Boop, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Public Hearing opened at 7:05 p.m. on application for Class B Liquor License for Family Dollar Inc., 1028 N Maple Street, as requested by the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission. No public comments offered. No objections by the Police Department. Motion by Kavan, seconded by Nagel, to close public hearing at

7:06 p.m. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Nagel, yes; Krejci, yes; Boop, yes; Warford, yes; and Lawver, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kavan, seconded by Nagel, to recommend approval of Class B Liquor License for Family Dollar Inc., 1028 N Maple Street, as requested. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Nagel, yes; Krejci, yes; Boop, yes; Warford, yes; and Lawver, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Kavan, seconded by Boop, to approve Pay Application #19 to M E Collins Contracting for Chestnut Street Improvements in the amount of \$156,179.51 (city share \$95,918.35; utility share: \$60,261.16). Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Boop, yes; Warford, yes; Nagel, yes; Krejci, yes; and Lawver, abstained. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Stuhr reported on the condition of the Civic Center roof and plans for repairs using a rubber membrane, outlining projected cost, warranty, and funds available in the sales tax fund. Motion by Kavan, seconded by Lawver, to approve plans and specifications for the 2020 Civic Center Roof Project and authorize calling for bids. Roll call vote: Kavan, yes; Lawver, yes; Nagel, yes; Krejci, yes; Boop, yes; and Warford, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Harrell reported on plans and specs for street lighting, and additional costs and grading issues involved if lights are alternated between east and west sides north of 23rd Street, versus locating all on the east side. Motion by Lawver, seconded by Kavan, to approve plans and specifications as presented, with lighting on one side of the street north of 23rd Street, for street lighting installation along Chestnut Street from 14th Street to Hwy 77/92 Expressway and to authorize calling for bids. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Nagle, yes; Krejci, yes; Boop, yes; and Warford, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Harrell reported on Lottery reporting process and information provided by Four Sons of Waverly. Motion by Lawver, seconded by Kavan, to accept City Lottery Compliance Procedures Report for period of 10/1/2018 to 9/30/2019. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Nagel, yes; Krejci, yes; Boop, yes; and Warford, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Lausterer reported on results of title search on Block 2, Dickinson's Addition, consideration of foreclosure action, and noted taxes were paid by another company for the past three years. Assessments have been filed against the property for previous nuisance abatement. Motion by Krejci, seconded by Kavan, to authorize staff to file a special assessment against Block 2, Dickinson's Addition to Wahoo, known as 1268 North Locust (former Kennedy College Camel Center) for abatement of nuisance on 10/29/19 in amount of \$226.85. Roll call vote: Krejci, yes; Kavan, yes; Boop, yes; Warford, yes; Lawver, yes; and Nagel, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Theresa Klein urged the Council to approve the contract with FES for work on community branding, with the goal of having a logo ready to present at the Wahoo150 event. Klein and Harrell stated the City of Wahoo should be the driving force in this process, and owner of the product created. Klein stated she was confident there would be financial contribution from other entities, including the Chamber, Greater Wahoo Development, and the Wahoo Community Foundation. Harrell reported a possible funding source is rent income from the tower site. Kavan asked whether there should be a firm commitment from others to contribute, before the City approves a contract. The contract proposal includes a basic process and deliverables, and supplemental services which would be provided at additional cost.

Motion was made by Krejci to approve the first section of the proposal, with the understanding that the City of Wahoo will not be the sole payer. Motion was seconded by Lawver. Roll call vote: Krejci, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, no; Nagel, yes; Boop, yes; and Warford, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Stuhr and Harrell reported on the planned fencing at West Service Center, and provided a map of fencing location. This will be six foot chain link fence, with landscaping placed to soften the appearance. The setback on Chestnut Street will match the frontage of the car wash. The fence placement will be in compliance with standards in the building and zoning regulations.

Harrell reported the next step for FEMA repair and mitigation of damage to the Wanahoo trail, and guardrail and bank at Wahoo Creek is approval of an engineering firm to develop a scope of services, which can be done either by the Street Committee or the full Council. RFQs were received from three firms. A motion was made by Krejci, seconded by Warford, to authorize the Street Committee to review RFQs for engineering services for FEMA Repair and Mitigation Projects and determine most qualified engineering firm for the City of Wahoo. Roll call vote: Krejci, yes; Warford, yes; Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Nagel, yes; and Boop, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Lawver, seconded by Kavan, to authorize the Mayor to sign agreement between the City of Wahoo and Nebraska Department of Economic Development regarding the CDBG Owner Occupied Housing Rehab Grant No. 19-HO-160007. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Kavan, yes; Nagel, yes; Krejci, yes; Boop, yes; and Warford, yes. Absent and not voting: none. Motion carried.

No audience comments.

Motion by Lawver, seconded by Warford, to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.

Approved:

Lucinda J. Morrow, Clerk

Gerald D. Johnson, Mayor