

The Council met in regular session in the Wahoo Public Library, 637 N Maple, in compliance with agenda posted at City Hall, Post Office and First Bank of Nebraska, and the City of Wahoo website, 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 public was informed of the location of posting of the Open Meetings Law. Roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Ryan Ideus, Karen Boop, Carl Warford, Stuart Krejci, and Chris Rappl. Council members absent: Patrick Nagle.

Dana Greneux from JEO presented data regarding the Urban Forrest Management Study recently completed. JEO has taken an inventory of the trees in public spaces within the City of Wahoo. Of the 450 trees that were counted there are 37 different species and there are 18 trees which they are recommending removal due to health or safety concerns. It was also suggested that at least one tree be planted for each that is removed.

Council Member Krejci motion, and Council Member Warford seconded to approve the following items; acceptance of excused Council Member Nagle, approval of Minutes of the June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting of the City Council, acceptance of the minutes of the June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting of the Wahoo Public Library Board, approval of Christina Zhang as PRN Paramedic, Elliot Stearns as PRN Paramedic, Faith Cole as volunteer EMT, Paul Lohhnes as volunteer EMT, approval of Mayor's appointment of Eric Thomalla and Paul Eddie to the Board of Adjustments, approval of Pay App #7 to M.E. Collins for the North Highlands Subdivision in the amount of \$106,512.59 and approval of New and Renewal Contractors Licenses: Electrician Schutt, Colby - Schutt Construction & Electric Wahoo, NE, Hall, Ryan - RH All Electric, LLC Wahoo, NE, Bosco, Bart - Air Comfort Heating & Cooling Fremont, NE, Ledger, Terry - Electrical Systems LLC Omaha, NE, Rounph, Chad - Seco Electric Inc. Cedar Bluffs, NE, Plumbing Subbert, Scott - Subbert Well & Septic LLC Mead NE Wonka, John - G & G Backhoe Weston, NE, Streeter, Thomas - Streeter's Plumbing Co Lincoln, NE, Cloyed, James - Cloyed Heating & A/C, Inc. Yutan, NE, Holdsworth, Brandon - IES Commercial Inc Lincoln, NE, Scheidel, Dennis - Apex Plumbing Lincoln, NE, Bradley Duane - Bradley Brothers Plumbing Omaha, NE, Mechanical Charlet, Aaron - Marick LLC Omaha, NE, Barr, Ray - A1 united Heating, Air and Electric Omaha, NE, Cloyed, James - Cloyed Heating & A/C, Inc. Yutan, NE, Bosco, Bart - Air Comfort Heating & Cooling Fremont, NE, Aliano, John - Aksarben Heating & Air LaVista, NE, Wieser, Thomas - Capitol Heaating and Air Lincoln, NE, Hilfiker, Todd - IES Commercial Inc Lincoln, NE, Tree, Haas, Jim - Lincoln Tree Service Lincoln, NE, Bogus, Brandon- A-Plus Tree Service Inc Fremont, NE, Davis, Jeff - Ashland Tree LLC Ithaca, NE, Barta, Brian - Z & B Tree Service Brainard, NE. Roll call vote: Krejci, yes; Warford, yes; Ideus, yes; Boop, yes, and Rappl, yes. Nagle, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Council Member Krejci motioned, and Council Member Warford seconded to accept the 2021 utility audit. Roll call vote: Krejci, yes; Warford, yes; Ideus, yes; Boop, yes, and Rappl, yes. Nagle, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Joseph Baulder, Chief of Police, spoke to the law enforcement training contract. This would allow a potential employee to attend the State of Nebraska Police Academy at the Law Enforcement Training Center in Grand Island and that the city would cover that cost. The employee would be responsible to pay back all or some of that cost based on the length of time they were employed with the city. Council Member Rappl motioned, and Council Member Ideus seconded to authorize the Mayor to sign Law

Enforcement Training Contract with potential employee for the City of Wahoo. Roll call vote: Rapp, yes; Ideus, yes; Krejci, yes; Warford, yes; and Boop, yes. Nagle, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Mayor Jerry Johnson recognized the passing of Deputy Jeff Hermanson who had once worked for the Wahoo Police Department and noted that Wahoo Fire, EMS, and Police were present to honor him at his funeral.

The Mayor also mentioned that during a recent discussion with Nebraska Department of Transportation there had been discussion about potential changes to the Hwy 77 and Hwy 109 intersection. NDOT had advised that it has been difficult to obtain materials for the construction of a roundabout, which was the original plan. The Mayor had suggested arranging a public meeting with NDOT to discuss future potential changes. Council Member Warford, who is a part of Wahoo EMS, reported that since the lane changes that occurred approximately six months ago there has been no incidents that required EMS.

The next regular meeting is July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Wahoo Public Library, 637 North Maple.

Approved: July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

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Christina Fasel, City Clerk

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Gerald D. Johnson, Mayor