

Regular City Council Meeting
September 14th, 2015
Hebron Community Center 7:00p.m

Present at the meeting were Council President Ken Rehling, Council members; Jim Staiger, Jesse Zuroff, Harvey Tibor, Steven Dittus, and Chester Brandt. Also present was Building Inspector Joe Reinbold, Jane Brandt of the Hebron Herald, City Supervisor Jim Raaf, City Attorney Scott Solem, and City Auditor Erin Brink. Visitors included Kyle Manning and Loren Hoffman representing AE2S, Lester Mutschelknaus and Robin Reynolds representing the Old Red Trail, and Gary Tolson and Frank Zach. Not present was Mayor Grant Walth.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

The August 10th meeting minutes were read and a motion was made to approve them.

Brandt/Tibor MCU

Vouchers for the month of August were read and a motion was made to approve them.

Staiger/Dittus MCU

Two building permits were read and the Building Inspector had approved them.

Delinquent water accounts were reviewed and notices will be sent regarding these accounts.

The Police report for August was read.

Lester Mutschelknaus and Robin Reynolds representing Old Red Trail presented a report to council regarding the event attendance and projects that are completed and those that are under way. A request for a \$500 donation was made to the city council. A motion was made to approve donating \$500 to Old Red Trail. Tibor/Brandt MCU

Visitors Gary Tolson and Frank Zach made a request to close the west entrance of West Main St due to the amount of traffic that drives by their property at an excessive rate of speed. Mr. Tolson reported that there have been numerous vehicles that have lost control around the curve and have come to rest in his yard. The county had installed two signs one on the west entrance off of Highway 10 stating "Farm Yard 25mph" and one on the east side of the property. Mr. Tolson stated that these signs are being ignored by motorists and he had spoken with a Sheriff's deputy to patrol the area for speeders. Councilman Staiger stated that there are many area farmers that utilize the road and closing that entrance would hinder the traffic going to the local elevators. Mr. Tolson asked that if any other options were available to help decrease the speed of traffic. Council decided to table the discussion until County Engineer Mike Aubol arrived. Discussion was held and it was decided to advertise in the Hebron Herald for the janitorial position for the Hebron Community Center.

City Supervisor Jim Raaf gave his report. He stated that the rip wrapping at the lagoon was almost complete. He reported that the creek cleanup would begin soon. It was discussed that there was a tree at the intersection on North Ave and Maple St that was obstructing the view of oncoming traffic, City Supervisor Raaf stated that the tree had been trimmed back. There was a tree blocking the stop sign at the intersection of Elm St and Washington. It was reported that there had been several occasions where motorists failed to stop for the sign on account of the obstruction. Supervisor Raaf stated that he would take care of trimming the tree back to clear the obstruction.

County Road Engineer Mike Aubol arrived at 7:30p.m.

Discussion was held concerning the stop signs at the intersection of the Brick Maker Express and County Road 139. It was stated that there has been an accident at this intersection and it was requested that stop signs be placed on each side of the road on both east and west sides to insure that motorists can see the signs. Engineer Aubol stated he would look into getting these signs and get back to the city with the information.

Kyle Manning representing AE2S reported that he had spoken with the county regarding the Federal Aid Roads. County Engineer Aubol stated that the city water and sewer infrastructure would

need to be evaluated to determine the replacement of such things before the county can resurface the streets. He also stated that some funding will be available for Hebron. Mr. Aubol stated that around \$900,000 of county funds could be used to replace roads that do not need the water and sewer lines replaced. The discussion was again held concerning West Main St and the properties at which Mr. Tolson and Mr. Zach reside. Mr Aubol stated that currently the signs that are in place along the road are cautionary signs, not regulatory signs; therefore the sheriff's department cannot enforce the speed limit. Mr. Aubol stated that he was not in favor of closing the west entrance to the road and that regulatory signs could be placed there that the sheriff's department can enforce. Kyle Manning of AE2S asked that the council approve being put on the list for consideration of funding. A motion was made to allow the City Engineers to apply to be on the list for funding. Brandt/Staiger MCU

Loren Hoffman from AE2S stated that for the street project and possible replacement of infrastructure a special assessment may be in order and his department could assist the city in setting it up.

Mr. Manning stated that the best way to determine the condition of the infrastructure is to camera the lines to see exactly where the problem areas lie. Mr. Manning stated that he would have a proposal for the next council meeting for the lines to be surveyed.

The Auditor reported receiving a letter for Special Road Funds that states funding is available for projects that are tourism based or lead to historical places. It was suggested that the city look into re-graveling the road to Ft. Sauerkraut as that would fall under this type of funding. The Auditor reported that 1 application had been received for the Deputy Auditor position. The council decided to hire the individual on a 60 day trial period. A motion was made to hire Roxane Walth as the Deputy Auditor. Staiger/Dittus MCU

City Attorney Solem presented a lease termination agreement, the agreement between the Hebron Brick Company and the City of Hebron had been satisfied and the City could now release the property back to the company. A motion was made to accept this lease termination. Tibor/Dittus MCU Attorney Solem stated that Custer Health will determine compliance of the properties that have received letters. Solem stated that some property violations can be handled by the city and a list of them will be provided to the Auditor to proceed.

The Auditor presented the preliminary budget for examination. A motion was made to adopt the preliminary budget with any corrections that may be needed. Brandt/Tibor MCU

Discussion was held concerning the Library. Councilman Rehling presented the State Library Bi-laws to Councilman Tibor and Councilman Dittus whom serve on the Library Board as well. It states that Board members may not be paid for their time. Also that there is a statute of limitation on the years a person can serve on the board. The bi-laws will be taken to the next Library Board meeting for discussion.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:10p.m. Tibor/Staiger MCU

Attorney Solem asked that the meeting reconvene to discuss the Planning and Zoning Committee. Attorney Solem stated that while present at the Zoning Committee meeting he advised that the Committee come to Council with any recommendations and projects they may have, for council approval.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made. The meeting adjourned at 9:21p.m. Staiger/Tibor MCU