REGULAR MEETING

6:30 p.m. Monday , July 11th, 2011 City Auditorium Conference Room.

Council Mayor Lynette Fitterer.

Council members present: Delton Kautzman, Eugene Schaaf and Aglae Young

Council members absent: Phil Bader, Jason Young and Gary Hoffmann

Others present: City Auditor Shian Wessels, Loretta Movchan, Barbara Waterman, Bryan Eiseman, Clint Feland, Al Lechner, Gaylen Lennick and Robin Theil

# Minutes

A Young moved and Schaaf seconded to approve the minutes from the June city council meeting after a correction to the vote for sending the Fair board the bill for water line repairs (Kautzman voted no to the motion), all voting yes the motion passed.

6:30pm Zoning Waterman Home (211 North 2nd( Hearing

Barbara Waterman came to the council meeting to discuss the condition and future of her home. Waterman was served a notice to appear for a public hearing about the property located at 211 North 2nd Street being declared a dangerous building and unfit to live in. Wessels explained that the building has been inspected several times and have found that the home is uninhabitable. There are considerable amounts of black mold growing in the home making it a health hazard for anyone entering the property. The structure itself is starting to weaken after water damage from the leaking roof. There are several areas in and outside the property that could harbor rodents and other small animals causing a problem for the resident and neighboring residents. The city building inspector and Wessels boarded up the home and put up a notice informing any and all that wish to enter that it is unsafe in the home and anyone that would enter would be prosecuted by order of the NS City Council. Waterman explained that she does not want to lose the home and would like a chance to rectify the situation. After much discussion the board informed Waterman that she has until the August 8th, council meeting to present the council with a plan to renovate the home. The work must be done by a licensed contractor and access to the home will be granted by arranging a time with the city auditor. Waterman is asked to present the financial and structural plan to the council by the August 8th meeting or the house will be condemned.

7:00 Feland Zoning Hearing

The zoning hearing was called to order. Clint Feland was present to discuss the zoning change request for Lots 1 & 2 of block 25 in the Original Township of New Salem. The application has been filled out, the hearing has been advertised in the local paper and the neighboring residents have been notified of the hearing. The zoning change requested is for the property to be changed from residential to commercial 1 for the building of storage units. No one appeared before the board support or to oppose the zoning change. A Young moved and Schaaf seconded to approve the rezone Lots 1 & 2 of block 25 in the original township of New Salem, all voting yes the motion passed. Kautzman moved and Schaaf seconded to approve the resolution by the City of New Salem to change the zoning of lots 1 & 2 block 25 of the Original Township of New Salem from Residential 1 to Commercial 1, all voting yes the motion passed.

The street damage done to South 6th street during the demolition of the house on lots 1 & 2 of block 25 was discussed. The damage done by the heavy trucks was considerable and Fuchs feels it will take between 6000-6500 to repair the damage. Feland offered to pay for the trucking of materials to repair the street and twenty percent of the cost. The board tabled the issue until Fuchs can clean up the street to investigate the true damage.

Water and Sewer Committee

Brian Eiseman came to the board to update everyone on the lagoon process. The pump is still a problem and Fuchs has come up with a plan and timeline for the next week to try to find the problem with the pump and fix it. Eiseman will work with Fuchs to try to finalize this project.

Gaylen Lennick came on behalf of CHS to inquire about hooking up to city water and sewer. Because they are out of city limits they would not be allowed to hook up to city w/s systems.

Fuchs discussed the condition of the pump house on the south east side of the auditorium. It needs to be tore down because it is in horrible shape. However, Fuchs would like the board to consider rebuilding the pump house in another location, Its current location in inconvenient for bulk water users and anyone utilizing the auditorium.

Street Committee

A letter from Bob Schwagler was reviewed by the board. The letter addressed a plan for snow removal that would include the snow removal of driveways. After reviewing the plan the board decided that the plan was not financially feasible and that entering driveways could create a large amount of liability for the city.

The truck traffic on non truck routes was once again discussed. Mayor Fitterer will write a letter that will be sent out to all businesses in town informing them to direct their truck traffic to designated truck routes.

Fuchs was asked to blade the alley behind Gordan Davis for better water drainage during heavy rain.

A Young asked about the street around 5th street and Pine and when it would be repaired. Fuchs informed the board that all of these problem areas are being addressed.

The bids for the city pay loader and road grader were opened. **Grader**: 3800 –A Tellman, 4610-J Eggers, 6175-G Doll, 1500-R Hopfouf, 3401- J Norton, 4801-Les Norton. Pay loader: 5763- Henry Wetzel, 8705- J Norton

Kautzman moved and Schaaf seconded to accept the highest bid for the road grader at 6175 to Gary Doll and to reject all bids for the pay loader, all voting yes the motion passed.

Auditorium Committee

The review from Hoffmann of the auditorium kitchen will tabled until the August meeting.

Police Committee

The council reviewed the 2nd quarter police report.

Board of Health

The board tabled the discussion of the property at 208 North 6th Street until the owner of the property has the opportunity to explore other options.

Schaaf moved and A Young seconded to have the Oster residence mowed and cleared of debris and billed $100/hr, all voting yes the motion passed.

Building Committee

Fitterer appointed A Young to the Planning and Zoning Committee effective immediately.

The board reviewed Tom Wolff’s building inspector progress report. The council is very pleased with his progress.

Personnel Committee

Judge Lance Gaebe has voiced that he is looking to step down from the city municipal judge position. Wessels suggested to the board that they moved New Salem’s court proceedings to District Court. The board agreed that it would be worth looking into and will discuss it at the August meeting once Wessels investigates how that would work.

The September NDLC meetings were discussed and Wessels, A Young and Kautzman voiced that they would like to attend the annual meetings.

Renaissance Zone Committee

Kautzman moved and Schaaf seconded to approve and appoint the following people to the renaissance zone committee, Mike Severson, Tina Grade, Tom Wolff, Rusty Gilstad and Bob Owens, all voting yes the motion passed.

New Business

Kautzman moved and A Young seconded to approve the liquor transfers from De Udder Bar to the city auditorium on August 20th and The Fields transfer to the auditorium on July 15th, 16th, 17th and 23rd, all voting yes the motion passed.

A Young moved and Kautzman seconded to approve the first reading of the WRT franchise renewal ordinance, all voting yes the motion passed.

Schaaf moved and A Young seconded to approve the renewal of CD #52296, all voting yes the motion passed.

Schaaf moved and A Young seconded to approve the bills as presented, all voting yes the motion passed.

Paid Chk# 009478 Wetzel, Kyle 6/15/2011 $422.77

Paid Chk# 009479 GCR TIRE CENTER 6/17/2011 $0.00 loader tire

Paid Chk# 009480 LAURA SAUER 6/17/2011 $126.00 building permit refund

Paid Chk# 009481 Bader, Philip 6/20/2011 $134.60

Paid Chk# 009482 Bauer, Audrey 6/20/2011 $74.82

Paid Chk# 009483 Bauer, Calvin 6/20/2011 $372.68

Paid Chk# 009484 ERHARDT, RALPH 6/20/2011 $206.77

Paid Chk# 009485 Fitterer, Lynette 6/20/2011 $301.68

Paid Chk# 009486 Fuchs, Dane 6/20/2011 $1,313.19

Paid Chk# 009487 Gaebe, Lance 6/20/2011 $117.94

Paid Chk# 009488 Hoffmann, Gary 6/20/2011 $208.86

Paid Chk# 009489 Kautzman, Delton 6/20/2011 $221.72

Paid Chk# 009490 Kruger, Ty 6/20/2011 $488.61

Paid Chk# 009491 Kuether, William D 6/20/2011 $83.99

Paid Chk# 009492 Schaaf, Eugene 6/20/2011 $221.72

Paid Chk# 009493 Vogel, Ed 6/20/2011 $705.17

Paid Chk# 009494 Wessels, Shian 6/20/2011 $880.43

Paid Chk# 009495 Wetzel, Dwight R 6/20/2011 $28.30

Paid Chk# 009496 Wolff, Tom 6/20/2011 $94.35

Paid Chk# 009497 Young, Aglae 6/20/2011 $304.52

Paid Chk# 009498 Young, Jason 6/20/2011 $221.72

Paid Chk# 009499 Fuchs, Dane 6/22/2011 $616.12

Paid Chk# 009500 DANE FUCHS 6/23/2011 $284.66 2011 medical

Paid Chk# 009501 Bauer, Audrey 7/6/2011 $52.38

Paid Chk# 009502 Bauer, Calvin 7/6/2011 $309.66

Paid Chk# 009503 Blaich, John 7/6/2011 $166.43

Paid Chk# 009504 ERHARDT, RALPH 7/6/2011 $171.37

Paid Chk# 009505 Fuchs, Dane 7/6/2011 $1,426.61

Paid Chk# 009506 Kruger, Ty 7/6/2011 $482.11

Paid Chk# 009507 Vogel, Ed 7/6/2011 $765.36

Paid Chk# 009508 Wessels, Shian 7/6/2011 $862.05

Paid Chk# 009509 Wetzel, Kyle 7/6/2011 $482.63

Paid Chk# 009510 AG VANTAGE 7/11/2011 $2,161.94 gas and oil

Paid Chk# 009511 ALLTEL 7/11/2011 $80.12 cell phones

Paid Chk# 009512 AMERIPRIDE 7/11/2011 $309.89 aud floor mats

Paid Chk# 009513 AT&T 7/11/2011 $80.09

Paid Chk# 009514 CLAYS PLUMBING 7/11/2011 $2,034.08

Paid Chk# 009515 CLINT FELAND, INC 7/11/2011 $1,454.70

Paid Chk# 009516 DAN KROH 7/11/2011 $12,713.54 office remodel

Paid Chk# 009517 FAMILY FOOD PRIDE 7/11/2011 $63.36 aud supplies

Paid Chk# 009518 FARMERS LUMBER & GAMBLES 7/11/2011 $693.90 aud/shop supplies

Paid Chk# 009519 GERDAU AMERISTEEL CORP 7/11/2011 $145.88 appliance disposal

Paid Chk# 009520 JESSE BRAUN ELEC 7/11/2011 $1,050.00 air conditioner move

Paid Chk# 009521 MARSHALL LUMBER 7/11/2011 $276.44

Paid Chk# 009522 MDU 7/11/2011 $3,197.75 shop

Paid Chk# 009523 MISSOURI WEST WATER 7/11/2011 $13,327.14 water purchase

Paid Chk# 009524 MOR- GRAN- SOU ELECTRIC 7/11/2011 $186.01 street lighting

Paid Chk# 009525 MORTON COUNTY AUDITOR 7/11/2011 $3,200.00 police contract

Paid Chk# 009526 NAPA 7/11/2011 $356.51 equipment parts

Paid Chk# 009527 ND INSURANCE DEPARTMENT 7/11/2011 $1,186.40 insurance

Paid Chk# 009528 ND LEAGUE OF CITIES 7/11/2011 $930.00

Paid Chk# 009529 NDPERS 7/11/2011 $454.45

Paid Chk# 009530 NELSON INTERNATIONAL 7/11/2011 $480.75

Paid Chk# 009531 NEW SALEM FARM SERVICE 7/11/2011 $88.98 equip parts/repair

Paid Chk# 009532 OFFICE DEPOT 7/11/2011 $232.77

Paid Chk# 009533 ONE CALL CONCEPTS 7/11/2011 $0.00

Paid Chk# 009534 ROUGH RIDERS INDUSTRY 7/11/2011 $167.04 street signs

Paid Chk# 009535 Security First Bank BC/BS 7/11/2011 $285.00 Dane insurance

Paid Chk# 009536 SHIAN WESSELS 7/11/2011 $116.35 postage & mileage

Paid Chk# 009537 SOUTHWEST GRAIN 7/11/2011 $225.00

Paid Chk# 009538 OMB/SURPLUS PROPERTY 7/11/2011 $200.00 shop and city misc

Paid Chk# 009539 STATE TREASURE 7/11/2011 $393.30 biannual audit

Paid Chk# 009540 TITAN MACHINERY 7/11/2011 $17.90

Paid Chk# 009541 TOM WOLFF 7/11/2011 $17.81

Paid Chk# 009542 TRANSTRASH 7/11/2011 $509.53

Paid Chk# 009543 WEST RIVER 7/11/2011 $207.49 phones-sherrif

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