

VALLEY CITY COUNCIL
May 24, 2011

Mayor Caffey called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Present were mayor Caffey; council members Lewis, Marshall, Stanzel & Ueckert; city attorney Farnham, clerk Suhr.

Mayor Caffey stated a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located on the north wall of the council chamber.

Stanzel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proof of publication was posted at city hall and available for inspection. & one copy of all reproducible written material to be discussed at this meeting is available for examination or copying.

Marshall moved to approve the agenda. Stanzel seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Caffey opened the condemnation hearing for 5737 Twin Rivers Circle. Attorney Farnham stated the city has taken the necessary action & has served appropriate notice for condemnation of improvements on the above named property. The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony as to why it should not be condemned.

Testimony was heard from Bernie Waschinek, 90th & L Street, Omaha.

Attorney Farnham suggested extending the hearing to June 14 & received permission from Mr. Waschinek to contact his realtor.

Following discussion, Stanzel moved to continue the show cause hearing to June 14. Marshall seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Following a short recess, the mayor and council gathered at the table on the floor for the water/wastewater rate study.

Kent Speicher, C.P.A., presented spread sheets he had prepared for water & wastewater. Council reviewed & discussed at length the utility departments.

Marshall moved that the Valley City Council go into closed session with respect to litigation against the City of Valley at 9:03 p.m., namely:

Ueberrhein, et al v. City of Valley, Nebraska, Docket 1096, Page 903, Douglas county District Court.

Stanzel seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Caffey stated the council will go into closed session at 9:03 p.m. The subject matter of the closed session shall be limited to litigation against the City of Valley, namely:

Ueberrhein, et al v. City of Valley, Nebraska, Docket 1096, Page 903, Douglas county District Court.

The meeting was convened in open session at 9:08 p.m.

Mayor's report – She & the clerk attended the award ceremony for Officer McDowell . He received an award from Mothers Against Drunk Driving for his enforcement efforts. Linda Lewis is the council representative on the wastewater rate appeals committee. Work continues to clear drainage ways. The outdoor pool will open on Saturday. Bright green door hangers have been ordered in order to keep citizens informed of city projects. The new library location will open next week. The library dedication will be 1 p.m. on Sunday June 12 as part of the Show & Shine celebration.

There will be a special meeting June 28 to discuss water/sewer rates.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Mayor Mary Caffey

Clerk Joan Suhr