

MINUTES
MAY 8, 2012

Mayor Caffey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were mayor Caffey; council members Lewis, Marshall, Stanzel, attorney Jeff Farnham, clerk Suhr. Council member Ueckert was not present.

Marshall led the pledge of allegiance. Proof of publication was on the council desk & posted in the city office window.

Mayor Caffey noted the location of the open meetings act & that one copy of all reproducible written material to be discussed at this meeting is available for examination or copying.

The Mayor invited anyone present who wished to address an agenda item & is not on the agenda to come forward at this time, noting they will have three minutes to speak. A thank you note from D. C. West Post Prom Committee & notification of the generator grant agreement were included in correspondence.

Marshall moved to approve the agenda. Lewis seconded. Marshall, Stanzel & Lewis voted YES. NO; No one, motion carried.

Stanzel moved to approve the consent agenda. Marshall seconded. Stanzel, Lewis & Marshall voted YES. NO; No one, motion carried. Consent agenda items were: Accept 4/3 & 10/12 minutes & treasurers report, present bills paid during the month, April payroll \$44,684.30/IRA \$741.82, March Keno receipts \$2,428.26, accept PeopleService, Inc report. Reappoint Betty Willmer to the Tree Board for three years. Recommend approval of the special designated liquor license applications submitted by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 9897 for a hamburger fry to be held at the Valley Vets Club, 111 East Front Street, Valley, Nebraska from 8:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. on 7/21, 8/18, 9/15, 10/20, 11/17 & 12/15/12. Recommend approval of the special designated liquor license application submitted by Valley Suburban Fire Protection District #5 for a fundraiser/dance to be held at the tennis court, 400 West Vass Street, Valley, Nebraska from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on 6/2 & 3/12. Approve bills & additional bills presented for payment. **Supplies:** Ace 12.87, 100.97; Aspen 2051.76; Barnes & Noble 284.03; Bomgaars 59.76; Center Pt 167.76; Cntry Living 15.97; Denny's Fixit 42.95; Dick's 21.64; Everyday Foods 10.00; Fastenal 23.36; Haney's 180.95; J Deere Financial 286.90; Kirby 38.63; Lanoha 209.99; Larue 111.16; Menards 155.77, 337.27; Monke Bros 374.87; Nartec 159.14; OfficeNet 531.24; OWH 88.40; Oprah Mag 21.97; Petty Cash 47.40; Sherwin Williams 95.88; Shell 486.78, 1535.86; Staples 53.48; Val Pharm 12.47; Winnelson 85.45; US Post 319.37; **Services:** Aflac 298.35; AIG 778.14; Black Hills 189.52; Cassem Tierney 1258.00; Cox 395.59; DCPG 167.14; D & D 324.75; Eastern Library 20.00; Ervin 233.14; J Farnham 9004.50; Fremont 14807.82; Fricke 70638.00; Harrington 4976.86; Holiday Inn 154.00; Matzen 650.00; C Marshall 65.00; Ntl Arbor Day 15.00; NCS 304.62; NE Sweep 2076.30; O & P 2396.66; Omaha 626.33; OPPD 8627.00; PeopleService 11734.00; Papillion San 247.50; J Putjenter 1064.50; Century Link 132.86; Shred Pros 45.00; Watchguard 258.29; Verizon 358.24; WDCCC 20.00; **Taxes:** Fed 9885.40; NE 1368.70, 1392.00; **Wages:** 44,684.30; FNB 741.82; **Reimburse/Refund:** 3 Points 121032.54; Mallard Lake 75326.18; Menard 35113.34; M Burns 214.58; A Stivers, R Franklin 150.00.

Mayor Caffey gave a brief history of the Western Douglas County Trails inter local agreement & introduced John Winkler, General Manager of Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District. Mr. Winkler shared copies of a map showing the proposed link to connect the school with Twin Rivers Y & a preliminary cost estimate. His proposal was that the NRD will pick up the 20% local share of costs to match the Federal 80% to

complete construction of the trail & skywalk. The NRD will assume responsibility for larger upkeep costs & required inspections. The city will perform mowing, snow removal & small repairs.

Council member Ueckert arrived at 7:09.

Mr. Winkler will present the proposal to the NRD Board for their approval, after which an inter local agreement for the project will be drafted.

City Engineer's Report - Replacement of the sewer main at the future location of Casey's General Store. Location & size of main & tree removal were discussed.

Council member Lewis moved to authorize Olmsted & Perry to proceed with the design & bidding phase for the project known as 2012 Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction located in the alley between N. Locust & N. Walnut Streets between Reichmuth Road & W. Third Street. Stanzel seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Request by Valley Shores Homeowners to vacate 280th Street - Mr. Olmsted explained the difference between closing & vacating a street. The Homeowner's will be invited to the June council meeting for consideration of their request.

Council member Ueckert left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

2012 Utility Rate Study - Mr. Olmsted suggested several changes to the current utility billing ordinance & suggested study sessions with the council, CPA & bond counsel to arrive at a fair & equitable formula.

Ginger Woods Street Resurfacing - The engineer has received a call & letter from Ginger Woods Engineer stating the streets need to be repaired. The project requires City approval of the plans. Council consensus was to proceed with the project.

Other - Mr. Olmsted showed a sample of the new utility maps which have been broken into quarter sections & are almost ready for presentation to the council. He explained the mechanics of administrative replats, lot splits & lot line adjustments which have been put into place so applicants can simplify & streamline the process.

Doug Eggen, the point person for the barbeque competition reported 10 teams have sent in registrations. He listed the activities that will be taking place in City Park on Friday & Saturday, concluding with a dance on the tennis courts sponsored by the Valley Fire Department,.

Cathy Jo Wilson, 207 North Spruce Street asked permission to mount banners on the downtown light poles. There will be 9 banners 28" x 84", cardinal red, with white lettering. Funding for the project is being solicited from local businesses & residents. City personnel will install the banners. Council consensus was that it is a good project & would be a worthwhile project to help fund.

Scott Burke, 28596 Potter Street presented drawings & outlined plans for a Veterans Memorial Park on the former site of the library. Sons of the American Legion plan to sponsor the project. He requested the Council set aside that piece of land for the park. Council viewed the plan favorably.

Council member Stanzel introduced, read & moved for approval of Resolution No. 2012-14 to approve a one year extension of the Valhaven lease to Golden Living & authorize

Mayor Caffey to execute the extension. Lewis seconded. Stanzel, Lewis & Marshall voted YES. NO; No one, motion carried. Council member Ueckert was not present.

The city attorney gave progress reports on the North Spruce Street Drainage Project, annexation litigation & Valhaven project.

The Mayor's report included information on the Valhaven project, She will attend the Douglas County Board meeting. Gayle Barnett has volunteered to head up the Community Garage Sale. Shawn Isom has obtained the scrap tire grant for the city. Thirteen dumpsters were filled during clean up day, final figures will be available for the June meeting. Copies of a thank you from Knowles Mercy Center for assistance with the 2nd annual Bike, Walk or Run event were shared. Ken Grimm has worked closely with the event organizers & Valley's logo was featured on the t shirts. Applications for library director and police officer are being advertised. The Beta Group has taken over planting & care of flowers at the arboretum flagpole. Friends of the Library are planning to do the same at the library garden. She expressed empathy for the current struggle in Gretna & enumerated checks, balances & practices that have been put into place during the last seven years to insure the security & well being of Valley.

The initial meeting of Valley's 150th anniversary celebration will be Tuesday, May 22 at 7 p.m. at city hall, council members are invited & encouraged to attend & take part.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Mayor Mary Caffey

Clerk Joan Suhr