

MINUTES OF THE BEATRICE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

A work session of the Beatrice City Council was held on the 24th day of January, 2011.

Attending: Mayor Schuster, Council Members: Carey, Fetty, Moore, Parde, Catlin, Tiemann, Langdale, and Schmale. Also present City Administrator Neal Niedfeldt and City Attorney Tobias Tempelmeyer.

Absent: None

Mayor Schuster announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located in the meeting room and is accessible to members of the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve agenda as submitted.
- b. Receive and place on file all notices pertaining to this meeting.
- c. Receive and place on file all materials having any bearing on this meeting.

Moved by Fetty, seconded by Tiemann that the items listed under the consent agenda be approved, accepted and/or ratified as presented.

Roll Call: Yea: Carey, Catlin, Fetty, Langdale, Moore, Parde, Schmale, Tiemann
Nay: None MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Irving Street Bridge near Store Kraft

Rex Behrends, City Engineer, advised the Council as to the condition of the bridge and the reasons for the temporary closure. Rex advised that the estimates for fixing the bridge are \$250,000 and the estimates for a new bridge are approximately \$1 million dollars. Tobias Tempelmeyer, City Attorney, advised the Council as to the ownership of the bridge. A review of the records indicates that Irving Street from the railroad right-of-way to west of the bridge was never dedicated as a public road and therefore belongs to Store Kraft and to Arnold Wullschleger. Gary Schacht and Bob Reed were present representing Store Kraft. They indicated that Store Kraft does not have a strong position if the bridge is repaired or removed. Store Kraft has two other means of ingress and egress to their property. Store Kraft expressed their desire to cooperate with the City however the City decides to proceed. The Council discussed that repairing the bridge would require the City to take over ownership of the bridge and obtain the right-of-way from the current owners. The City will also have to obtain some easements for various utilities in the vicinity. Rex Behrends was directed to contact Nebraska Department of Roads and other possible funding sources for the repair of the bridge.

One and Six Year Road Plan

Rex Behrends, City Engineer, provided an overview of the One and Six Year road plan that must be submitted annually to Nebraska Department of Roads. Councilman Moore indicated a desire

