DIRECTOR’S MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2002 - 11:00 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

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V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. ADJOURNMENT
DIRECTOR’S MEETING
MINUTES
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Council Members Present: Jonathan Cook, Chair; Jon Camp, Vice-Chair; Coleen Seng, Ken Svoboda, Annette McRoy, Glenn Friendt.

Council Members Absent: Terry Werner

Others Present: Mayor Don Wesely, Mark Bowen, Lin Quenzer, Ann Harrell, Mayor’s Office; City Clerk, Joan Ross; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Members Camp, Friendt, & Svoboda; Tammy Grammer, City Council Staff and Nate Jenkins, Lincoln Journal Star Representative.

I. MAYOR

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he has a number of things that he wants to go over with them. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that on the water situation they have received essentially 6 inches of rain in about a week’s time and that was really concentrated in about 5 ½ inches of rain or a little of 5 inches of rain in about 5 days. So, they had quite a bit of rain activity and the question came up about whether or not they lift the water restrictions. Mayor Wesely stated to Council the difficulty is that even though it did rain here, which was a great help and their consumption of water did go down as a result, they are tracking the volume in our wells and their coming back up slightly, since they put the restrictions in place in July. But, their entire well field is a little below 70% of our capacity and so they’re really still in trouble and their thought is to let it recharge back up to 88.5% and then they can lift the restrictions and if things go well they can do it in September. Mayor Wesely stated to Council so that’s the reason and commented that the water falling here is great and nice, but it’s the well field that’s depleted and they have to give it sometime to build itself and then they will look at lifting the restrictions.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that the water also caused the sewer line problem, which they probably saw in Southwest Lincoln. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that ‘Skoda Construction’ had been on probation/suspended from doing some operations and recently they were allowed to do it again and our feeling is that this was an aggrieves error that it had the potential to be disastrous and so they may take some action with them. Mayor Wesely stated to Council just so they know, they have had some prior problems with them. Ms. McRoy stated to Mayor Wesely that she was reading the newspaper and the way they understand it and how they handled some other claims through the City that they filed the claim through the City Attorney’s Office and then they referred it onto their construction insurance. Dana Roper stated to Ms. McRoy that Don Taute from the City Attorney’s Office is handling this matter and Roger Cole from the Public Works & Utilities Department. Mr. Roper stated to Council that ‘Skoda’ had a
contract with Rick Krueger the sub-developer, the developer of the subdivision and indicated that they’re handling it and he thinks that they can just proceed with Skoda Insurance and they will refer any claims that they get to Krueger and Skoda. Ms. McRoy stated to Mr. Roper so they will not be seeing any of the claims on their Agenda. Mr. Roper stated to Ms. McRoy ‘no’ and indicated that it may be on our Agenda because everything that is submitted shows up in one fashion or another, but they will be referring them on. Ms. McRoy stated to Mr. Roper okay. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they have had problems with them before, which they were suspended in being allowed to do City authorized work and then they reinstated them. Mr. Svoboda stated to Allan Abbott doesn’t part of the contract state that when doing open sewer work like this there has to be a City Inspector on site pretty much at all times. Allan Abbott stated to Mr. Svoboda there is a requirement that a City Inspector be there and Mr. Svoboda asked so is the City liable in any of it. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Svoboda ‘no’ and stated that a City Inspector discussed it with their crew when they started and reminded them that they must have their capped plugged at the end of every day. Mr. Svoboda asked Mr. Abbott if they have record of that discussion. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Svoboda ‘yes’. Mr. Svoboda stated to Mr. Abbott okay and ‘thanked’ him. Mr. Abbott stated so there should not be any liability on the City part.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that for their information, Don Herz wanted to share with them the figures that they got last week on the Sale Tax Revenues. Mayor Wesely stated to Council the bottom line is that they had nearly a 3% Gross Sales Tax increase and then they saw a significant increase in refunds, which lowered their Net to about 2% growth for the entire year. Mayor Wesely stated to Council so the last few months are looking pretty good. Don Herz went over the hand out with Council, which was passed out to them earlier. [Copy of this material is on file in the City Council Office] Discussion continued with Council, Mayor Wesely and Don Herz on this issue with comments and questions from the Council. Mayor Wesely stated to Council so that’s actually good news that the Sales Tax Revenues are creeping back up and the refund is way below last year’s and so by the end of next year they’ll be in pretty good shape.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he thought the weekend went very well, which they talked last week about the University starting, schools starting, the State Fair starting, football starting and the Saltators all on the same weekend and he thought that they got into good shape and asked Chief Casady if he could kind of update them on how it went. Chief Casady stated to Council that it went well, he would say a piece of cake and indicated that it was a big weekend, but they’re getting use to having these big weekends. Chief Casady stated that normally they’re throwing in the dynamic of Labor Day weekend on the 1st home football game and the State Fair crowd on Labor Day weekend is quite a bit bigger, but it went really-really well. Chief Casady stated to Council that one of the things they noticed was that they had the lowest number of vehicles they had to tow that any of them can remember, which was around 50 cars that they towed. Chief Casady stated to Council that’s unusually small and indicated that he
thinks basically there is a lot more legal parking available with the Haymarket Park and the new University parking lot at 17th & “R” Street. Chief Casady stated to Council that the Haymarket Square probably had some where in the neighborhood of 3,500 or maybe 4,000 legal parking stalls and so that seemed to help quite a bit. Chief Casady stated to Council so the weekend went well and they had a really successful weekend and he hopes this holds until the rest of the season.

Mayor Don Wesely asked Chief Casady to share with them about his Kansas City group visiting. Chief Casady stated to Council that they have a delegation with 13 people from Kansas City and Kansas Police Department here in Lincoln, which is a group of civilians and Police Officers examining community relationship. Chief Casady stated to Council that they were here last night and here all day today and they’re staying at the Embassy Suites. Chief Casady stated to Council that they had ‘Old Chicago’ last night and they’re kind of amazed at what our downtown is like being very-very positive.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they have some good news from the Fire Department and asked Chief Spadt if he would like to share it with them. Chief Spadt stated to Council that approximately 5 years ago the Lincoln Fire Department obtained the accredited status from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International, which they were one of the first Fire Department’s in the Country to achieve this status and just recently he is very proud to announce that they have achieved 3 accreditations status. Chief Spadt indicated to Council what that means is that they have an independent audit of their Fire Department and all of the components involved with it, so he wanted to share with them the plaque that they received from the Accreditation of the Commission this last week. Mayor Wesely and Council ‘congratulated’ Chief Spadt. Mayor Wesely stated that’s really impressive. Chief Spadt ‘thanked’ everyone.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that Nicole Fleck-Tooze has some good news on their Discharge Program. Nicole Fleck-Tooze stated to Council that they received their NPDS Permit from the State of Nebraska for stormwater discharges, which she thinks they remember the discussions as they talked about it relative to the budget. So, they are going to be launching the program and so forth that relate out to meet the requirements of that permit and so they should be in pretty good shape and indicated that they’ll be adjusting as they go through with the initial 5 year permit and then it will be re-extended there afterwards. Nicole Fleck-Tooze stated to Council that they are the first one’s in the State to receive it. Ms. Seng stated and they’ve waited how long for it and commented 7 years. Mayor Wesely stated to Ms. Seng ‘yes’ and noted that this issue is a big deal. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the stormwater run off a few weeks ago didn’t sound like anything that they needed to worry about, but last week they did get a lot of rain and some of the creeks and dams were feeling it and so their glad about that.
Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he knows they have the dedication for the Haymarket Parking Garage is a couple of days, but that did go well on Saturday and they’re proud to have this addition. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that for their information the Saltdogs were 2,000 in parking space and he talked to Charlie Myer and he thinks that he has pretty much sold it out for the football season. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he thinks the bridge held its own and so it was a nice improvement.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that Ken [Svoboda] was at the Boy Scout facility opening at 120th Street and commented that he doesn’t know if anybody else made it out there. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that it is a very nice addition. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the Southwest High School officially opened this morning and they’re doing really well and so that’s going great.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they will not meet again next Monday, so he wants to remind them that Marvin Krout will start as Planning Director a week from tomorrow. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they will have him by that following Monday and so he will start attending these meetings.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they might have seen the ‘Tour of Lincoln’ and stated that if they get a chance to go see it at the Old City Hall of the miniatures on what they’re proposing. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they brought a few over for him to look at. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they are really impressive and he thinks it is going to be a huge success, so if they’re interested, they can take a look at them. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they’re securing sponsors now for $3,000 and they haven’t really made a major effort and they have already gotten 11 lined up and so he thinks it is going very well.

Mr. Camp stated to Chief Casady that during the weekend there was a big van or vehicle parked by the Holiday Inn for a Casino, a web-base Casino, debt, gambling or whatever and he knows that Captain Joy Citta was looking at it, but they were handing out a lot of literature and it had some nudity in it. Mr. Camp stated to Chief Casady that he had some people come up to him and express some concerns about it and stated that he assumes they were plugging the meters. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Camp that he will talk to Captain Citta about it. Mr. Camp stated to Chief Casady okay. Ms. McRoy stated that she also saw the van.

Ms. Seng asked if the University pays for all of the Police and asked if this was a touching question and commented should she not be asking it. Chief Casady stated to Ms. Seng ‘no’ they don’t and ‘no’ it’s not touching. Ms. Seng stated to Chief Casady okay. Chief Casady stated that their overtime expenses for every home football game is a little over $12,000 and their total expenses is a little over $14,000 averaging. Ms. Seng stated to Chief Casady that her and Annette [McRoy] was at the Center Team Meeting on Wednesday morning and they came away from that meeting wondering about it. Ms. Seng commented that’s a lot of money and Chief Casady stated ‘yes’ it is. Ms. McRoy stated that she’s going to be looking into this issue a little bit further. Mr. Cook stated to Ms. McRoy okay.
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II. CITY CLERK

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 4 [ Approving the appointment of Terry Werner to the Utility Billing Check-Off Program Board a for one-year term from September 1, 2002 through August 31, 2003] they received in their packets the substitute Resolution because they are appointing only Terry Werner in part of the City Council and the rest of them will be appointed separately.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that she handed out to them a Resolution and an Agreement for Item #5 regarding Cedars Northbridge [02R-182 – Approving the Cedars Northbridge Redevelopment Agreement between the City and Cedars Youth Services, Inc. for redevelopment of the property located at 1535 N. 27th Street, within the North 27th Street Redevelopment Plan, as a community center providing services for families and youth]. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that it has been signed now and so they’re all set to move forward on it.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that she doesn’t have anything else to report, unless they have questions for her. Council had no questions.
III. CORRESPONDENCE

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TERRY WERNER

1. OUTSTANDING Request to Lynn Johnson, Parks & Recreation Director - RE: Bike Path (RFI#60 - 5/22/02). — TERRY WERNER ABSENT - NO COMMENTS

COLEEN SENG

Ms. Seng ‘thanked’ all of the departments for their responses to her Requests For Information.

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1. Response Letter from Glenn Friendt to Jeffrey Altman, Cane Travel Instructor, Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired - RE: Comments on the StarTran bus system. — Mr. Friendt stated that he doesn’t get upset very often, but he doesn’t think he waived his right to protect his reputation, so when Mr. Altman surmised on what he meant by what he said and indicated that is what triggered this response about the StarTran bus system.

Mr. Friendt asked the Law Department and the Public Works & Utilities Department about what is being done with the culvert protection in AirPark where the child fell in. Mr. Friendt stated that this is the one where the neighbors have said look they’ll raise the funds and they’ll do the labor to put up some sort of a protected advice and they’ll do it for free and on whatever standards are used on other places. Mr. Friendt stated that he has had some constituents contact him who are willing to help fund it. Nicole Fleck-Tooze stated to Mr. Friendt the last that she heard on it on what was requested was to put in a chain length fence, which did not meet their standards. Ms. Tooze stated to Mr. Friendt that she believes the information was passed on through Dana [Roper] of what their standards are on it and she has not heard anything further that they were willing to meet those standards or not. Mr. Friendt stated to Ms. Tooze okay.
Mr. Friendt stated to Chief Spadt the presentation last week, which he had indicated that they could get a hard copy of the power pointer and indicated that he would like an electronic copy of it. Chief Spadt stated to Mr. Friendt okay and stated that it was his understanding that the electronic copy came over, but if it didn’t, he can get a hard copy to him. Mr. Friendt stated to Chief Spadt that he will check on it. Chief Spadt stated to Mr. Friendt okay. Ms. McRoy stated to Chief Spadt that they still need hard copies of it. Chief Spadt stated to Ms. McRoy that they’ll take care of it.

Mr. Friendt stated to Chief Casady that they have an applicant for ‘B& B’ on the Grainger House today [Item #7, 02R-184 – Special Permit 1966 - Application of La Mountain Trust for authority to use the designated landmark Joseph Grainger House for four dwelling units and two bed and breakfast suites on property generally located at the northwest corner of 20th & B Street] and he was wondering if he knows or can he check before this afternoon on the applicant regarding his criminal record. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Friendt that he would be happy to do that. Mr. Friendt ‘thanked’ Chief Casady and stated that he has had some contact by various neighbors about some concerns that they have on the activity that they consider suspicious going on at that property and asked him if he is aware of any activity that would have caught the attention of his officers. Chief Casady stated to Mr. Friendt that he will also check on that. Mr. Friendt stated to Chief Casady okay and ‘thanked’ him.

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ADDENDUM (For August 26th)

I. MAYOR

1. NEWS RELEASE - RE: Plugged Sewer Line Causes Problems In West Lincoln. — Mayor Don Wesely mentioned this issue during his comments to Council under "I. Mayor”. (See that discussion)

II. CITY CLERK - NONE

III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS - NONE

B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS - NONE
C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. E-Mail from Ron Case - RE: Requesting that you support the imposition of impact fees. ---- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

2. Letter from Jon Carlson, President, Near South Neighborhood Association - RE: The item concerning 1970 “B” Street, the Joseph Grainger House - Mt. Emerald Landmark District. — Mr. Cook stated that this is a letter from the Near South Neighborhood Association supporting a particular compromise regarding B&B applying for the Grainger House. Mr. Cook noted that separate from their Director’s Addendum is a petition signed by quite a few of the nearby neighbors who are opposed to it and they don’t want to compromise.

3. E-Mail from John Cutler, Community Resources Coordinator, Community Blood Bank of the Lancaster County Medical Society - RE: “Thanks” to all of you for your support of the Community Blood Bank as we open our new downtown donor center at 131 South 13th. Our formal Grand Opening this past week was outstanding. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

IV. DIRECTORS

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT - [Allan Abbott handed out to Council a response letter regarding the One and Six Year Streets and Highways Programs for 66th Street, “O” Street to Taylor Park Drive] Allan Abbott stated to Council that one thing they are going to be asked about this afternoon is on the Budget of the CIP. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that there was one letter that came in as a result of the Public Hearing on the Six Year CIP and this is a response to that, so hopefully it will take care of the individual respondent. But, again that was the only comment that they received as the result of the Public Hearing on the CIP.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT - Lynn Johnson stated to Council that Woods pool was closed on Saturday due to the weather conditions. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that they would have been opened this weekend [inaudible] and they will be open next weekend as well and then unfortunately it was closed even yesterday because of the water quality issues. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that they have a problem with one of the sanitation coordination system, so he just wanted to let them know in case they hear something about it. Mr. Johnson stated to Council that they are planning to be open on Saturday, Sunday and Monday afternoon pending on the weather conditions.

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

TERRY WERNER - ABSENT
KEN SVOBODA - NO COMMENTS

ANNETTE McROY - NO COMMENTS

JON CAMP

Mr. Camp asked Allan Abbott if he could tell Jim Visger ‘Thank-you’. Mr. Camp stated that Jim [Visger] met with Greg Nielsen from the Southfork Homeowners Association and then Doug Luedtke called and he thinks in about an hour they got everything cleared up on the water billing situation. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott the constituent that called in had been over billed or whatever and it got taken care of right away and so that is just an excellent example of how City Government works efficiently. Mr. Camp stated that he really appreciates it.

Mr. Camp stated to Allan Abbott that he has a question for him on the status of the plan regarding the 84th & Pioneers Street widening. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott that he thought after the meeting there was going to be a fall meeting and asked if there has been any scheduling of that meeting. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp ‘no’, but he will let him know as soon as they get it scheduled. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott okay.

Mr. Camp stated to Allan Abbott that he had two people from the Insurance Industrial call him last week after their discussion of the Public Hearing on the sidewalk bond and they asked him to please direct the City that homeowners are liable if somebody is hurt on the sidewalk in front of them. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott that he thinks that he had made the statement that the additional liability for the property owners is entered on themselves. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that his understanding is that the City is liable for it and asked Dana [Roper] about it. Dana Roper stated that if they have notice, they’re the primary participant. Mr. Cook stated to Mr. Camp is he sure that there’s not some issues being confused on it and stated that if the sidewalk is broken and the City hasn’t fixed it and if they know about it that maybe the City is liable for it, but if they haven’t scooped it and someone slips then the property owners are liable. Mr. Camp stated that maybe they ought to correct that because again he has these two Insurance Industrial that say they process claims all the time for property owners and so maybe it is a semantic issue. Mr. Camp stated that he just wanted to mention it because they had watched the Public Hearing on it. Dana Roper stated to Mr. Camp that if he has the telephone numbers of the people that called him that they can give them a call and see what they have in mind. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Roper okay.

Mr. Camp stated to Marc Wullschleger that he just wanted to ‘thank’ his department. Mr. Camp stated that Allan Jacobson had called him about the Midas Building and there was a quick response on it. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Wullschleger that he appreciates it.
Mr. Camp stated to Allan Abbott that he had a couple of people inquire about their water bills recently that their sanitary sewer portion of the charge was like 2 to 3 times the water portion. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott that he was trying to explain to them that he thinks the sanitary charge is established like in February when you don’t do the watering and they said ‘well, gee’ that’s fine, but it’s in the summer when he’s using water, but it’s still higher. Allan Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that if they have specifics to get a hold of the Billing Department and find out because it is set over the winter and that should remain consent through out the year. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott okay and asked him if he was correct in saying February. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Camp that ‘well’, it depends on the portion of the City that your in, but that’s the time-frame on it. Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Abbott okay and ‘thanked’ him.

GLENN FRIENDT

Mr. Friendt stated that he would just like to ask Georgia Glass to include in the Pay Plan details of the step that the Mayor increases and the longevity pay, so they have a total look at the Pay Plan. Mr. Friendt commented that this isn’t exactly the Pay Plan, this is one piece of the it. Georgia Glass stated to Mr. Friendt okay.

COLEEN SENG - NO COMMENTS

JONATHAN COOK

Mr. Cook stated that next week the new Planning Director will start and so he will be at their next Director’s Meeting, which will be the following week on September 9th. [No Meetings for the week of September 2nd due to the Labor Day Holiday]

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:46 A.M.