

Councilpersons:
First Ward: Gallenberger, Gibson
Second Ward: Schmidt, Hiers
Third Ward: Meurer, Bricher

Mayor: John Meisch
City Attny: Peter Ekstrand
City Adm: David Schmidt
City Clerk: Susan Schamaun

Date: September 7, 2010

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Wabasha was held on Tuesday, September 7, 2010 and was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor John Meisch.

Roll call found Councilpersons Gallenberger, Gibson, Schmidt, Hiers, Bricher, Meurer, and Mayor Meisch present.

Mayor Meisch called for citizen petitions and comments and asked audience members that due to the length of the agenda, to please keep public comments and petitions to 2-3 minutes. Mayor Meisch also announced the addition of 9.0 Closed Session to the agenda.

Ms. Elaine Miller came forward and stated she and her husband own Wabasha Motel & RV and she stated she wanted to address the plans the Council has to build 33 new RV sites in Jaycee Park and adjacent properties. She stated she has learned that after 30 years of a deed the restrictions are lifted so she understands the City has no restrictions on that property and they can do whatever they want with the property. She asked if City government be creating new a new business that competes with existing private enterprise. She stated the City's website says the 'City of Wabasha is committed to attracting and attaining businesses in the community' so she was surprised to hear the City's plans and wondered how creating a new campground with 33 RV sites that will be in direct competition with two existing private businesses helps in retaining businesses. She questioned how much Council values the two existing RV campground businesses. Further she stated the City's website has a Business Subsidy Policy and under Section 5.03 it states that the following criteria will be used by the City of Wabasha in determining business assistance:

Item C: Business assistance will not be provided when the relocating or new business requesting assistance would be in direct competition with an established business in the community.

So, she stated the City won't give assistance to a new business coming in that will be competing with an existing business but the City has no problem taking tax dollars and creating a business that competes with existing private businesses.

Further, Ms. Miller stated they have plans to expand but if the City pursues putting in a new RV campground, they are afraid they would be taking a huge financial risk to expand. She stated the City has no risk to expand.

Mayor Meisch stated with the City's financial situation, cuts are looked at as well as possible revenue sources. Mayor Meisch further stated there have been preliminary drawings made up and the next step would be to go to the Planning Board.

Councilperson Gallenberger stated Council wanted to see the possible payback numbers and wondered if staff has that information. Mayor Meisch stated that information has not come forward. Councilperson Gallenberger stated she would like to see that information reviewed by Council before going forward to the Planning Board.

Ms. Kara Toal, 429 Twelfth Street East, came forward and stated she had three letters from three children (Ella Schneider and Sophie and Cammy from St. Felix) asking "please don't take away our park" in reference to Jaycee Park. She read one of the letters. She also stated as a mother she likes this park because she can see the park from the house and the kids can play softball and other activities. She stated if a campground was put in she would worry about noise, smoke, etc. She stated Council should consider costs and benefits of putting in a campground as she does not know what it would cost to put in a water system, proper licensing, etc. When she moved here two years ago she was happy to see the park down the street as it was perfect for the kids and it was a safe place.

Mayor Meisch stated there has been no final action on putting in a campground and it will come to the Council level for a final decision.

Councilperson Gallenberger stated again she would like this matter to come before Council first before going to the Planning Commission.

After further discussion, Councilpersons Schmidt and Bricher moved to eliminate any continued investigation of the consideration of putting in a campground at Jaycee Park as a revenue source. The motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Gibson, Schmidt, Bricher, Meurer, Mayor Meisch

Nays: Hiers, Gallenberger

Mayor Meisch stated for the record if anyone had any interest in this matter, if this would be raised again and this matter could come back at a later date, these people would be notified.

Mr. Blaine Marcou and his sister Jean, came forward and stated last fall the City Park Board adopted a Park Plan and the City Council also adopted this Park Plan and it states "Block 66 in Wabasha was named Jaycee Park in the 1970's after a donation was given by the organization to purchase the land." He stated he wrote a letter to the Park Board this spring (2010) indicating their description of Block 66 was incorrect. He further read the letter which states Block 66 was given to the City for \$1.00 by Everett and Marcella Marcou with a restrictive covenant that it would used as a park or for recreational purposes only. He further stated this park was given to the City by Everett and Marcella Marcou and not the Jaycees. There is no recorded document

that the disbanded Jaycees ever bought this property as indicated. He stated the Jaycees adopted this park much like the Ike's adopted Ike's Park or the Rotary has adopted Beach Park. He stated on behalf of the Marcou Family, he e-mailed a letter for the Park Board to City Planner, Molly Patterson-Lundgren in August along with a copy of the registered deed. He stated as of today, they have not received a response from the Park Board. He questioned whether the Park Board ever received his letter and he wondered if they ever discussed this issue and if so, he would like to receive a copy of that discussion. He stated the first acknowledgement he received over the last 33 years that this was indeed a gift from the Marcou family and not the Jaycees was a letter written by City Attorney, Peter Ekstrand to City Administrator, David Schmidt.

Blaine's sister, Jean, came forward and stated since it has been stated this topic may come back at a later date, she felt compelled to come forward. She thanked Council for their motion to stop moving forward in the Jaycee Park campground issue but it concerns her that it may come back at a later date. She stated that over 30 years ago, her parents, in good faith, made this donation to this community they had things in mind like what Ms. Toal described, like family and kids enjoying that green space. This community has been important to their family as well. When this donation was made over 30 years ago, it was intended to provide green space to the community.

Mayor Meisch thanked Blaine and Jean for coming forward.

Richard Fuller, 1211 Rustic Lane, came forward and stated he had an avenue to explore to raise revenue for the City. He stated his idea could bring in \$50,000/month through utilizing the National Eagle Center and the Anderson House. He also stated he felt since the National Eagle Center is a national target for terrorists and vandals a camera system should be installed inside and this system could also be used for deciphering who comes in and what they buy etc. He pointed out General Mills is a Minnesota company and he felt they should be approached to lease the Anderson House and let them staff it and run it and use the National Eagle Center as an incentive to draw people in and General Mills products could have coupons on their products for that purpose.

Mr. Don Jacoby, Port Authority member, came forward to invite Council and the public to the Legacy Award Ceremony scheduled for Friday night, September 17, 2010, at the Wabasha-Kellogg School auditorium at 5:30 pm. He stated the 2010 Legacy Awards are to recognize the whole medical health care system in our great community that has done a tremendous job in their 112 years of their existence of St. Elizabeth's Hospital and the 63 years of existence of the clinic that was started by a group of doctors. He stated the awards program will last about an hour and families from the doctors will be present as well as sisters of the Sorrowful Mothers. He further stated on Saturday morning, September 18th, Mayor Meisch will be hosting a group that will be honoring John and Marsha Bouquet and family for their generous donation of the fountain and statue of Chief Wabasha.

Councilpersons Bricher and Meurer moved to approve the following consent agenda: Adopted by the following vote: Adopted unanimously.

Approved the August 3, 2010 Regular Council minutes and August 17, 2010 Special Meeting minutes.
 Approved National Eagle Center MN Lawful Gambling Application for Raffle for 2011 Soar With Eagles.
 Approved the following warrants as presented:

Mayors	General Fund	\$3,366.30
Legal	"	\$2,150.00
Debt Service Funds (TIF)	"	\$1,662.50
Legal Fees for Road Const. Arbitration	"	\$75.00
City Atty. Fees for Road Const.	"	\$2,823.50
Fire Dept.	"	\$6,153.54
Police	"	\$5,877.53
Ambulance	"	\$1,536.67
Park	"	\$2,685.07
Pool	"	\$2,056.42
Streets	"	\$3,516.38
Planning & Zoning	"	\$776.94
Harbor	"	46.29
Emergency Management	"	\$6.88
Dog Pound	"	\$14.65
Fit City "Walk To Win" Bills	Pd for by Grant	\$1,916.83
Summer Rec	"	\$714.77
Safe Driving Class	"	\$250.00
Anderhouse Reuse Study Bills	Pd for by Grant	\$5,381.46
Athletic Field Dugout Bills	Pd. for by Donations	\$1,073.45
Total		\$42,084.18

4.1 Public Hearing – Ordinance Amending Section 650 – Street Light Utility Fee

Mayor Meisch stated the City discovered the penalty for non-payment of the Street Light Utility Fee was inadvertently set at \$10.00 or 5% of the balance whichever was higher and in an effort to keep the penalty in line with the water/sewer bills, the penalty would be amended to 10% of the balance.

**Councilpersons Gallenberger and Gibson moved to approve amending Ordinance Section 650 Street Light Utility, Subd. 4, Penalty for Late Payment as follows: Adopted by the following vote:
 Ayes: Gallenberger, Gibson, Hiers, Bricher, Meurer, Mayor Meisch**

Nays: Schmidt

SECTION 650 STREET LIGHT UTILITY

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WABASHA, MINNESOTA, HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. That Section 650 - Code of Ordinances entitled "Street Light Utility" is hereby enacted as follows:

Section – Street Light Utility

Section 650.1. Authority and Purpose. Minnesota Statutes, Section 429.021 authorizes cities to install, replace, extend and maintain street lights and street lighting systems and special lighting systems. The City Council has determined that in order to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City, it is in the best interest of the citizens that the City operate and maintain a City street lighting system utility and has further determined that the operation and maintenance of such utility benefits each and every property within the City. The City Council has therefore determined that it is fair, appropriate and reasonable that the costs of such operation and maintenance be paid on a fair and reasonable basis by all of the property in the City so benefitted and the cost should be charged and collected from all such benefitted property, except for those exempted in Section 1:15.

Section 650:05. Street Light Utility Established. The City of Wabasha hereby establishes a Street Light Utility. The system consists of all street lighting facilities owned by the City and all street lighting facilities for which the City purchases and supplies electrical energy. The operation of such utility shall be under the supervision of the Public Works Superintendent.

Section 650:10. Definitions. Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the following terms as used in this ordinance shall have the meanings designated.

Subd. 1. Areas Served by Standard Street Lighting Systems. This includes portions of the City where street lights are installed.

Section 650:15. Rates and Collection of Fees.

Subd. 1. Rates and Charges: Every property within the City shall be charged for a fair and equitable share of the cost to provide, operate and maintain the City-wide street lighting system as set forth in section 825 of the City Code. The Street Light Utility Fee shall be calculated on an annual basis by the City Clerk using the annual light utility rate charge for the previous year and divided by the number of properties currently with water and sewer service.

Subd. 2. Collection of Fees. Street Light Utility charges may be billed and collected on a monthly basis as determined by the Wabasha City Clerk.

Subd. 3. Exemptions. The following land uses are exempt from the established Street Light Utility Charges:

- (1) Public street right-of-way
- (2) City-owned land
- (3) Railroad right-of-way
- (4) Cemeteries

Subd. 4. Penalty for Late Payment. A penalty in the amount of ~~10% Ten Dollars (\$10.00)~~ or 5% of the balance, shall be added to all Public Utilities accounts not paid in full by the due date. The penalty for late payment shall be added to the balance for which the account remains unpaid.

Subd. 5. Certification of Past Due Surcharges on Taxes. Any past due Street Light Utility charges in excess of ninety (90) days past due on October 1 of any year may be certified to the applicable County Records Office for collection with real estate taxes in the following year pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.101. In addition, the City shall also have the right to bring a civil action or take other legal remedies to collect the unpaid surcharges.

Section 650:20. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on June 1st, 2010. Amended on 9-7-10.

5.1 Adopt Preliminary 2011 Budget – Set Truth-In-Taxation Hearing for December 7, 2010:

Mayor Meisch announced the Budget meeting discussed allowing for the maximum amount the City could levy not for the purposes of setting the City's final budget but in order to put the city in line with what may happen with the State to give the City the most flexibility. He stated the possibility still exists there may be no December LGA (Local Government Aid) payment. He further stated a November budget meeting will be scheduled to determine the final budget. He concluded by stating his goal is to leave the upcoming Council the most flexibility.

Councilperson Gallenberger stated she looked over the budget and questioned the raise in certain personnel line items. She stated she is not in favor of raising anyone's salary and is in favor of cutting all salaries 10%.

City Administrator, David Schmidt, stated he was directed to put back in the two weeks of furlough that was cut in 2010 from personnel.

Mayor Meisch stated Council will still have the option to cut salaries or implement a furlough for the 2011 budget.

Council discussed the fact that this preliminary budget is 39% higher than the 2010 budget as well as the fact that this is the preliminary budget and this amount will not be the final approved budget.

After discussion, Councilpersons Bricher and Hiers moved to adopt the following Resolution setting the

Preliminary Annual City Budget, Preliminary property tax levy for the year 2011 and setting dates and times for required Truth-In-Taxation hearing for December 7, 2010: Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Hiers, Bricher, Meurer, Gibson, Mayor Meisch

Nays: Gallenberger, Schmidt

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION SETTING PRELIMINARY ANNUAL CITY BUDGET, PRELIMINARY PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE YEAR 2011, AND SETTING DATES AND TIMES FOR REQUIRED TRUTH-IN-TAXATION HEARING.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Wabasha, Minnesota, that the attached City preliminary budget be approved for the year 2011.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Wabasha, Minnesota that the City estimates that the following sums of money will be levied for the current year, collectable in 2011 upon the taxable property in the City of Wabasha, for the following purposes:

General Fund:	\$	983,995.00
Library Fund:	\$	125,231.00
Firemen's Relief:	\$	20,000.00
Port Authority:	\$	39,948.48
Special Levy/LGA &MVHC	\$	<u>357,948.48</u>

TOTAL LEVY: \$ 1,526,369.48

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Wabasha, Minnesota that the required Truth-IN-Taxation hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, 900 Hiawatha Drive East, Wabasha, Minnesota, and that a continuation hearing, if needed, is scheduled for Tuesday, December 21, 2010, at that same location and hour.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Wabasha, Minnesota that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the County Auditor of Wabasha County, Minnesota.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Wabasha, Minnesota on this 7th day of September 2010.

Dated: _____

John Meisch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Schamaun, City Clerk/Treasurer

5.2 Street Commission Recommendation:

Mayor Meisch stated on August 31, 2010, Street Commission meeting, Lawrence Boulevard Residential Parking Only signs were discussed and it was determined the signs were misleading and unenforceable. Further, he stated the Street Commission unanimously recommends removing the Residential Parking Only signs on Lawrence Boulevard.

Councilperson Bricher informed Council that some residents were trying to enforce the signs and were telling people, some handicapped, they couldn't park there.

Mayor Meisch stated this was a regrettable situation and further stated Lawrence Boulevard is a public street and anybody can and has the right to park there. With the new attraction of the National Eagle Center, the Residential Parking Only signs were installed only as a means of trying to redirect traffic. He stated further efforts like handing out brochures at the National Eagle Center as well as statements on the National Eagle Center's website directing traffic to designated parking areas were made in an effort to redirect traffic.

Councilperson Bricher stated the Residential Parking Only signs were also installed to deal with people who were parking their vehicles and boat trailers as they went out on the river on the week-ends as some stayed overnight on the sandbars.

After discussion, Councilpersons Schmidt and Bricher moved to approve the removal of the 'Residential Parking Only' signs on Lawrence Boulevard. Adopted unanimously.

5.3 Wellhead Protection Plan – Part 2: Mr. Bill Anderson:

Mayor Meisch stated the Wellhead Protection Plan – Part 2 is to meet the guidelines set by the Minnesota Department of Health under authority granted by Minnesota Statutes, Section 1031.101, Subd. 5 and through MN Rules Chapter 4720.5510 to 4720.5590 relating to wellhead protection planning.

Mr. Bill Anderson, Yaggy Colby Associates, came forward and stated the Wellhead Protection Plan was completed and submitted to the State and in receiving it back, they made some minor amendments that need to be approved by Council. Mr. Anderson distributed the final amended final version to Council. He stated the last thing that needs to be done is that the Council needs to approve the final version. He stated the only changes were the State had a wrong number on the City's unique well and they also asked the City to make

comments on the sand fill area in reference to the old City well downtown etc.

Councilperson Gallenberger asked if or how this has been budgeted in to the Water/Sewer budget and wondered if the City has the money budgeted and if the City can afford to do these items in the Wellhead Protection Plan.

Mr. Anderson stated the City staff has started working on some of the items like the storm sewer map. Also, some of the steps are ambiguous stating the City will work towards certain items or the City will pursue certain items.

David Schmidt stated City staff, the Mayor and himself have applied for funding. They are looking at grants, loans, and have added the City's name to a priority list for these types of projects.

Dave Vosen, Water/Wastewater Superintendent, stated if the Wellhead Protection Plan-Part 2 is approved, a line item will be included in the budget for the Wellhead Protection Plan projects.

After discussion, Councilperson Meurer moved that to meet guidelines set by the Minnesota Dept. of Health under authority granted by Minnesota Statutes, Section 1031.101, Subdivision 5 and through MN Rules Chapter 4720.5510 to 4720.5590 relating to wellhead protection planning, the City of Wabasha City Council approves the Wellhead Protection Plan for the City of Wabasha Part 2 as presented. Councilperson Hiers duly seconded with the following voting in favor thereof: Gallenberger, Gibson, Schmidt, Hiers, Bricher, Meurer and Mayor Meisch and the following voting against the same: none

2011 Street Improvements – Yaggy Colby Assoc. – Mr. Bill Anderson:

Mayor Meisch announced Council directed Yaggy Colby to complete a Feasibility Report on the remaining streets which was also recommended by the Street Commission. This report also required utility improvements which the first Feasibility Report did not.

Mr. Bill Anderson came forward and stated this updated report to include all eight segments and explained the first report excluded the four segments that needed utility work. The submitted report includes two paving options:

Option 1: Option 1 calls for the reclamation of the existing bituminous and gravel sections and reuse of the resulting reclaim material for the gravel portion of the new road sections. A new 4" bituminous pavement would be installed over the reclaim and new concrete curb would be constructed at the same width as the existing streets. (By constructing new concrete curb, the City would be able to provide drainage for the streets that presently have insufficient grade to drain).

Option 2: Option 2 calls for the milling of approximately 2" off of the existing roadway surface and removal of the existing bituminous curb. New bituminous curb would be installed with placement of the new bituminous wear course. Overlays and bituminous curbs will not improve the drainage concerns in areas of minimal slope.

Mr. Anderson stated Option 1 is a reclaim option and reclaim means to bring in a reclaim machine and it grinds down into the blacktop and also down into the existing gravel and it mixes it all together to whatever depth you want to set it to so it basically reconditions the gravel that's there by mixing in the ground up asphalt so it not only fixes and helps the asphalt part but it also helps the baseline of the street. This is more of a reconstruction project but not an entire reconstruction where you remove everything with new gravel as you are salvaging gravel.

Mr. Anderson stated the mill and overlay is a process where the top inch or two of the existing asphalt is milled off and then you repave that inch or two with new asphalt but it does not correct any subgrade structure so in that process, you do patching ahead of time and then you proceed with mill and overlay. This is more of a maintenance project.

After discussion, Councilpersons Bricher and Gallenberger moved to accept the Feasibility Report on the 2010 Street Improvements Project submitted by Yaggy Colby Associates. Adopted unanimously.

Councilpersons Gallenberger and Bricher moved to proceed forward with Option 1 and acquire an Economic Analysis of affected properties for assessment purposes. The motion was adopted by the following voter:

Ayes: Bricher, Meurer, Gallenberger, Gibson, Schmidt, Hiers

Nays: Mayor Meisch

5.5 Yaggy Colby Presentation – Mr. Bill Anderson & Ms. Christina Peterson:

Mr. Bill Anderson & Ms. Christina Peterson came forward to do a presentation on the engineering services of Yaggy Colby Associates and outlined previous projects they have worked on for the City such as the River Drive Street Project, 2004 Coffee Mill Project, Big Jo Alley Project which has received many positive comments. In conclusion of their power point presentation, they also stated they have not had a change in rates in three (3) years and will not have an increase in 2011.

Mayor Meisch thanked Mr. Anderson and Ms. Peterson for coming.

Respectful Workplace Policy:

Mayor Meisch stated the proposed Respectful Workplace Policy is to address practices of public discussion and hopefully have a respectful workplace. He stated this is due to a few conflicts that have taken place at a meeting or two and so the policy is being presented so people will have a policy to follow and employers are

liable to employees for a process in which to protect themselves. Further, this policy is predicated on materials that came from the League of MN Cities, and has been reviewed by City Attorney Peter Ekstrand.

Councilpersons Meurer and Schmidt moved to approve and adopt the Respectful Workplace Policy as presented: Adopted unanimously.

City of Wabasha Meeting Decorum Policy For all Public Meetings

The purpose of the Meeting Decorum rules is to ensure respectful public discourse for all parties in a safe environment. The City of Wabasha encourages the public to participate in all public meetings in an appropriate manner.

The following actions are not acceptable in a public meeting setting:

- Each member of the Public Body shall cooperate with the Chair in preserving order and decorum, and no member shall, by conversation or otherwise, delay or interrupt the proceedings of the Public Body, nor disturb any member while speaking, or fail to abide by the orders of the Chair, except as specifically permitted by these Rules of Meeting Decorum.
- It is not acceptable for person or persons to make offensive, insulting, threatening, insolent, slanderous or obscene remarks.
- It is not acceptable for person or persons to address the Public Body in a boisterous manner or to make threats of any kind against any person or against public order and security.
- It is not acceptable for person or persons to display signs or placards, applaud participants in debate or engage in conversation or other behavior which may disrupt the proceedings of public meeting.
- It is not acceptable for person or persons to use a cellular telephone in either the public meeting space while meetings are in progress, and cellular telephones shall not be permitted in the public meeting space during meetings unless turned off.
- It is not acceptable for person or persons, to address the Public Body, except by invitation of the Chair or Members.

Enforcement of decorum:

The enforcement of the meeting decorum is the responsibility of the Chairperson and all members of the public body. If an issue arises, the following steps shall be undertaken to address the offending behavior.

- The Chairperson and or Member shall first ask the offending person or persons to stop the unacceptable behavior through the issuance of a verbal warning.
- The Chairperson and or Member shall ask that the meeting be recessed to address the offending person or persons in the following manner.
 - The Chief of Police or his or her designee shall be ex officio Sergeant at Arms of the Board. He/she shall carry out all orders and instructions given him/her by the presiding officer for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum in the Board Room. Upon instructions of the presiding officer, it shall be the duty of any police officer to eject any such person from the Board Room or place him/her under arrest, or both.
- The Chairperson and or Member may restrict public access to the offending person or persons at this or other meetings before the Public Body, unless permission to gain access is granted by the majority vote of the official members present. The offending person or persons may address the Public Body in writing if necessary to conduct public business.

5.7 Animal Ordinance Amendment Proposal:

Mayor Meisch stated there has been a request to consider an amendment to the animal ordinance and City Planner, Molly Patterson-Lundgren has moved this forward per the Planning Commission as it would require a City Code amendment. Further, the City Planner recommends City Council consider the proposed changes to the Animal Ordinance provided and determine if they wish to proceed with an amendment to the Ordinance allowing chickens. If the Council chooses to proceed, the City Planner recommends that Council puts the matter on a future agenda to adopt an ordinance per requirements of City Charter and also recommends that Council consider holding a public hearing in the consideration of this matter, even though a public hearing is not required.

Councilperson Hiers stated she has received input from people interested in the concept of allowing chickens.

After discussion, Councilpersons Gallenberger and Bricher moved to place the proposed ordinance amendment of Section 705: Animal Ordinance on the October 5th Council agenda as informational and for discussion and also to call for a public hearing on October 5th for consideration of amending Section 705: Animal Ordinance. The motion passed with all Councilpersons voting in favor with the

exception of Councilperson Schmidt voting no.

5.8 Resolution Partnering with HRA for Proposed Wabasha County SCDP Rehabilitation Projects:

David Schmidt stated the Southeastern MN Multi-County HRA (SEMMCHRA) contacted the City in partnering with them to apply for a Small Cities Development Grant. He recommended Council to encourage them to apply for funds for residential rehabilitation.

Councilpersons Gibson and Gallenberger moved to approve the Resolution (see below) declaring the City of Wabasha as a willing participant and partner for the proposed Wabasha County SCDP Rehabilitation Projects contained in the business and community development application and direct the Mayor and City Clerk to sign any and all necessary documents. Adopted unanimously.

**CITY OF WABASHA
RESOLUTION _____**

DECLARING THE CITY OF WABASHA AS A WILLING PARTICIPANT AND PARTNER FOR THE PROPOSED WABASHA COUNTY SCDP REHABILITATION PROJECTS CONTAINED IN THE BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Wabasha is willing to participate in the proposed Wabasha County SCDP Rehabilitation Projects contained in the business and community development application to be submitted on October 7, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Wabasha agrees to participate and partner in the proposed Wabasha County SCDP Rehabilitation projects contained in the Business and Community Development Application.

I CERTIFY THAT the above resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Wabasha on _____, 2010.

SIGNED:

John Meisch (Date)
Mayor, Wabasha

Sue Schamaun (Date)
City Clerk, Wabasha

6.1 Anderson House Update:

Mayor Meisch stated meetings were held by the consulting group doing the Re-Use Study on the Anderson House and input was received on utilization of the Anderson House. He also stated the City is not involved in the decisions and it is the bank's property and this was purely a tool to assist in the utilization of that building and/or assist the owners, the bank, to better utilize it has a hotel or some combination of things.

David Schmidt stated since the consulting group could only meeting with approximately 25-30 people while they were in Wabasha, a link has been put on the City's website, www.wabasha.org, where people can submit comments in reference to the Anderson House. He explained to get to the link, residents can click on the picture of the Anderson House and there will be the story along with Mr. John Lauber's e-mail address at the bottom. Just click on Mr. Lauber's e-mail and submit input and/or a comment, history on the Anderson House, etc.

Round Table:

Councilperson Hiers stated maybe through a misunderstanding, the Park Board was wondering why their opinion was not requested in reference to the Jaycee Park issue. She stated the Park Board looked at it but did not know their opinion was expected. She stated for herself, she would hate to see Jaycee Park lost. She further stated if the City is looking at digging into the streets, she thinks the City needs to look at assessing even if it is just for the utility work on Rustic Lane.

Councilperson Schmidt stated he believes the City needs to be proactive in protecting the City's wells. Mayor Meisch directed Councilperson Schmidt, David Vosen, Water/Wastewater Superintendent, and City Administrator, David Schmidt to work together on this issue.

Councilperson Gallenberger asked if the City ever thanked Marcou's for their donation of property which is now Jaycee Park. She thought maybe they should be thanked.

Mayor Meisch stated he thinks time has skewed the issue and he thinks thank you's were extended.

8.1 Donations:

Mayor Meisch announced the following donations:

- Athletic Field Dugouts: Rotary Club of Wabasha \$500.00
- Rob & Jill Sill - \$300.00
- James & Heidi Purvis - \$100.00
- Jerry Arens – State Farm - \$300.00
- Kellogg American Legion Post #546 - \$325.00

Wabasha American Legion Post #50 - \$500.00
Wabasha Fire Relief Association - \$500.00
Wabasha Burkhardt-Roemer VFW Post #4086 - \$300.00
Summer Rec Donation: Mr. Bill Huth through the Jack & Bessie Fiterman Foundation - \$300.00

Mayor Meisch stated on behalf of the City and himself personally, he thanked everyone for their generous donations.

At 9:45 pm Councilpersons Hiers and Bricher moved for a 5 minute recess. Adopted unanimously.

At 9:50 pm, Councilpersons Schmidt and Gibson moved to go into Closed Session to discuss Darren Sheeley personnel issue. Adopted unanimously.

Darren Sheeley arrived with Mr. John Friedmeyer and stated he would allow Mr. Friedmeyer to attend the meeting.

At 10:57 pm, Councilpersons Gallenberger and Meurer moved to come out of Closed Session. Adopted unanimously.

Darren Sheeley offered his resignation letter to Council

Councilpersons Schmidt and Bricher moved to accept Ambulance Director, Darren Sheeley's resignation. It failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Schmidt, Hiers, Bricher

Nays: Meurer, Gallenberger, Gibson

Abstain: Mayor Meisch

Darren Sheeley withdrew his resignation letter.

Councilpersons Schmidt and Gallenberger moved to override the City Administrator's administrative action of placing Darren Sheeley on paid administrative leave whereby Darren will return to work and also table any further action until a later meeting. The motion was adopted by all Councilpersons voting in favor with the exception of Councilpersons Gibson and Meurer voting no.

Council set a Special Closed Session Meeting to discuss Darren Sheeley's personnel issue for Tuesday, September 14, 2010, at 5:00 pm at City Hall.

Having no other business, Councilpersons Gibson and Schmidt moved to adjourn at 11:10 pm. Adopted unanimously.

Susan Schamaun, City Clerk