

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING, MAY 16, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Alan E. Oberloh with the following Aldermen present: Lyle Ten Haken, Mike Kuhle, Scott Nelson, Ron Wood, Mike Woll.

Staff present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development; Jim Laffrenzen, Public Works Superintendent; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk; Brian Kolander, Finance Director (7:45 a.m.)

Others present: John Landgaard, ISD 518; Jenny Anderson Martinez; Jim Bunner, KWOA.

Mayor Oberloh noted that Item C.2. would be taken out of order and addressed first.

**ISD 518 REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR TENNIS COURT PROJECT DENIED**

At their May 9, 2011 regular meeting, Council heard a request from ISD 518 Superintendent John Landgaard for additional City funding for their eight court tennis court project. The request for additional funding came as a result of the bids for the project coming in considerably higher than estimated. Council at that time voted to table a decision on the request for additional funding until it could be learned exactly at what level the School Board was willing to participate.

Mr. Landgaard was now before Council again with additional information and looking for a response regarding the request for additional funding. An updated project sheet showed elimination of the lighting and building, to be future projects, and additional deductions of \$58,864, for a reduced project cost of \$873,286. Revenues for the project showed committed dollars of \$635,000 and potential dollars of \$240,000 (including an additional \$50,000 from the City should Council approve the request), for total revenue of \$875,000.

Following discussion, Alderman Ten Haken motioned to cap the contribution level as originally stated at \$235,000.

Craig Clark, City Administrator, noted that even if we stay at the \$235,000 we would need to modify the agreement as the contribution was based on a plan that included lighting, restrooms, concession and storage. Mr. Landgaard noted the MOU would also need to be re-written to include fewer years of public usage for the City as their percentage of contribution will now go down.

Alderman Nelson seconded the motion, with the following Aldermen voting in favor of the motion: Ten Haken, Nelson, Wood; and the following voting against the same: Woll, Kuhle. Motion passed.

**PLACEMENT OF DOCKS / BOAT LIFTS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY**

Council considered a request from Jenny Andersen/Arturo Martinez, 1977 South Shore Drive, to

place a dock on public right of way, across the street from their residence. Current unwritten policy allows for such placement providing the applicant owns property directly across the street from the public property, which the applicant does. However, due to the location, the dock would be located approximately four feet off the public roadway.

The Park Advisory Board was earlier directed by Council to review the City's current policy regarding these installations and provide Council with a formal recommendation as to any changes. Due to the difficulty in obtaining a quorum of the Park Advisory Board, the issue was now before Council.

Jim Laffrenzen, Public Works Superintendent, told Council that a similar request had been received in the past from the resident at 606 Lake Street, which meets the unwritten policy requirements, however the residence is within an area that has a three private dock restriction.

Mr. Laffrenzen said in checking with other Lake Communities for their policies, he found they don't permit installation of private docks on public property. Alderman Ten Haken questioned if that was because they provided marinas instead. Fairmont does not but Mr. Laffrenzen will check further.

Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development, said there are two issues Council would need to consider in pursuing a marina: zoning, and the DNR. A marina would be a commercial facility which would require an amendment to the zoning ordinance, and parking and traffic issues would need to be looked at. Mr. Chapulis also said anything beyond the ordinary high water level out into the lake is under DNR control. They would need to see a plan first, and consideration would need to be given to how more boats would impact the lake.

Alderman Wood asked what staff's opinion was regarding the recent request for the dock installation that close to the grade. Mr. Laffrenzen said he would refer it back to the Chief of Police. Mr. Chapulis suggested that he also consult with the City Engineer because of the right of way with the cause-way concern there.

Following discussion, the motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Woll and unanimously carried to table this item to allow staff to come back with a recommendation.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The motion was made by Alderman Kuhle, seconded by Alderman Wood and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 a.m.