

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING, MAY 26, 2010**

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 members present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Brian Kolander, Finance Director; Jim Laffrenzen, Public Works Superintendent; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk; Alice Hoffman, Prairie View Golf Course/Senior Center (7:10 a.m.).

Others present: Jamie Pettit, KWOA; Laura Grevis, Daily Globe.

**AUTHORIZATION GIVE TO INVEST WORTHINGTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL FUNDS  
FOR EXTENDED PERIOD**

Alderman Woll requested this item be taken out of order and discussed first, noting that he, Brian Kolander, Craig Clark and Alderman Wood had met on this issue. In order to improve the Worthington Regional Hospital legacy fund's rate of return, staff was requesting Council authorization to purchase \$2,000,000 of up to 20 year bonds over a period of the next six months. On our average maturity of one year the average yield now is about .79% before expenses and .3% after. A 15 year bond yields on average 4% return.

The motion was made by Alderman Kuhle, seconded by Alderman Ten Haken and unanimously carried to authorize staff to invest \$2 million in up to 20 year bonds.

**HOSPITAL PROCEEDS PROJECTS DETERMINED**

Council discussed the legacy fund and impact dollars available from the sale of the municipal hospital and potential projects that could come from those funds. Following discussion, the following determinations were made:

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Kuhle and unanimously carried to allocate \$250,000 from the Hospital impact dollars to the Park Advisory Board to complete projects over the next 18 months.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood and seconded by Alderman to Kuhle to dedicate \$580,700 out of impact dollars if we get a 50% match in funds from the state, for airport projects. The following Aldermen voted in favor of the motion: Ten Haken, Kuhle, Wood, Woll; with the following Aldermen voting against the same: Nelson. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Woll and unanimously carried to dedicate \$1 million from legacy funds for capital improvements project (redevelopment of the former YMCA facility) with a \$500,000 endowment from impact dollars in an interest earing account.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Kuhle and unanimously carried to approve \$220,000, from impact dollars, for the Training and Testing Center if the federal grant is approved.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Woll and unanimously carried to dedicate \$4.1 million from legacy funds for the fire hall planning, design and construction (capital improvement project).

Alderman Kuhle left the meeting at 8:13 a.m.

### **PRAIRIE VIEW GOLF COURSE MANAGER POSITION**

Reports from Effective Golf Course Solutions and Dakota Golf have indicated the need to move forward with a full time Golf Course Manager for the municipal course. Council had previously authorized filling a part-time Manager position with reassignment of the current manager's wages, however, that amount is not enough to cover a full time position. The position would start in June and extend through November, and would be approved for the current year only. Craig Clark, City Administrator, noted that a full time position would come with exposure to an unemployment claim. Brian Kolander, Finance Director, stated he had checked with the State to see if unemployment would be excluded because it would be a temporary seasonal position and there was really no way we could avoid it. Council questioned whether the position could be hired through Dakota Golf so the exposure would be theirs.

The motion was made by Alderman Woll, seconded by Alderman Wood and unanimously carried to approve full time staffing for the Golf Course Manager's position for 2010.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The motion was made by Alderman Woll seconded by Alderman Wood and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 a.m.

Janice Oberloh  
City Clerk