# Official City Council Minutes City of Wood River, Nebraska Regular Meeting April 18, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Wood River, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 108 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St, on April 18, 2023. Notice of the time and place of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publicized notice on April 12, 2023 in the Clipper and the Grand Island Independent. An agenda for the meeting, was kept continuously current, and was made available for public inspection on the City's website (woodriverne.com).

Mayor Greg Cramer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Present: Rennau, Rodriguez, Rotter, Klingsporn, and Thompson. Nielsen absent.

City Officials Present: Ashley Manning, City Clerk; Christina Wemhoff, Treasurer; Brent Gascho, Utilities Superintendent 
Public Present: Cassie Lechtenberg, Veronica Kaufman

The Mayor led the Council Members and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Cramer advised the public body of the Open Meetings Act that is posted in the meeting room and entry hall.

Items on the consent agenda for approval were:
April 4, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes.
Disbursements reviewed this month by: Thompson & Klingsporn
Disbursements totaling: \$29,039.22
Checks not on list: \$34,776.25
Sales Tax Paid: \$12,673.20

Payroll: \$32,736.94 Payroll Tax: \$9,457.97 Retirement: \$3,438.00

Rennau made the motion to approve items on the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by **Thompson**. Motion carried 5/0. **Nielsen** absent.

Veronica Kaufman was present to ask Council to approve hiring Uriel Rodriguez as the summer intern for the Library. A Library Community grant was received for \$1,000.00 that should cover the wages of the intern scheduled to work 11-12 hours per week in June and July. Rotter motioned to approve hiring Uriel Rodriguez as the Library's summer intern at an hourly wage of \$11.83 for 11-12 hours per week. Motion seconded by Rennau. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Cassic Lechtenberg was present to answer any questions regarding the proposed pool charter and discuss general pool operation plans. Currently, there are 28 lifeguards hired and 23 concessions workers. She is still trying to recruit more lifeguards. Due to staff shortage, there is a possibility of the pool having to close 1–2 days per week if more lifeguards aren't hired. The lifeguards are excited this year about the change in the way that private lessons are handled, should be more lessons offered this year. Jocelyn Rauert is set up with chemical training and water safety instructor training. Both Cassie and Jocelyn, along with the Utility Department, are scheduled to get pump training before the pool opens. Hoping to have presale scheduled for around the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May, there has been a lot of interest already in purchasing passes and scheduling lessons. Council discussed the pool charter and asked Cassie to go through it and mark what in the charter will not work effectively for the pool and its day to day operations. A revised charter will be presented at a future council meeting.

GIPS excess equipment auction is scheduled for Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. On the sale is a Cushman field groomer that would be useful for the ball fields. Thompson asked for approval to attend and bid on the City's behalf to purchase the piece of equipment. **Rotter** motioned to approve Thompson bidding on the Cushman field groomer to be reimbursed for up to \$3,000.00 at the GIPS excess equipment auction. Motion seconded by **Rennau**. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Brent Gascho presented Council with an invoice from Smart Soil in the amount of \$6,000.00 for compost removal. The initial bid from them was \$500 per load at 2-3 loads. The invoice is for 10 loads due to Smart Soil using a smaller trailer than originally quoted and an additional \$1,000 mobilization fee for bringing their own loader on site. **Thompson** made the motion to approve the payment to Smart Soil (Invoice 113) in the amount of \$6,000.00. Motion seconded by **Rodriguez**. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Rennau motioned to approve listing the Nissan Murano VIN: JN8AZ08T93W102024 as excess equipment and advertising for sealed bids to be due by 4:30pm on May 12, 2023. Motion seconded by Thompson. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Rotter motioned to approve payment to Rick's Fertilizing (Invoice QX77775) in the amount of \$12,175.90 for mulch and labor around Wood River. Motion seconded by **Thompson**. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Rotter motioned to approve entering a new copier lease with Eakes for 60 months at \$44.71 + price per page, minimum of 3,000 pages billed quarterly, on copier model MX3070 Eco-Smart. Motion seconded by Rodriguez. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Three bids were received for roof and gutter replacements due to the June hail storm. White Castle \$47,883.00; Leaman Roofing and Construction \$37,983.00; Compass General Contracting \$39,320.00. Rotter motioned to approve contracting roof and gutter replacement to Leaman Roofing and Construction for a bid price of \$37,983.00. Motion seconded by Thompson. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Greg Cramer presented Council with Brent Gascho's annual review. Greg had Brent fill it out himself. **Rotter** motioned to approve Brent's review allowing him to stay at Step 6 on the City's pay scale. Motion seconded by **Rodriguez**. Motion carried 5/0. Nielsen absent.

Christina Wemhoff summarized the Treasurer's Report for the month of March 2023. She explained that the Compost fee may need raised for next year, City has been spending a lot of money to remove compost and fix the fence.

### Department Remarks:

Gascho: With so many outages on the Green Street line, Matt with JEO is going to come out and offer a proposal for burying that line.

Simon Wagoner has agreed to take the excess sludge this spring, City needs to get rid of it as it wasn't properly pumped out this fall. Simon will be using his own equipment and will charge the City \$.05 per gallon, estimated 80,000-100,000 gallons.

### Council Remarks:

Rotter: Thanked Veronica for hosting the kindergartners at the Library.

### Mayor Remarks:

Thanked everyone for coming out for the Governor's visit and declaration. Governor Pillen had a good tour of Wood River and got to see everything the City has done and is working on.

Thanked Veronica for making buttons for the reading program that are good for 1 pass to the pool. Buttons will be privately funded.

As there was no further business to come before this session of the Council, Council member Rennau made the motion to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. Motion seconded by Thompson.

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ABBREVIATIONS USED: RP=REPAIRS, SU=SUPPLIES,
SE=SERVICES, IT=INS/TAXES/RETRM, RE=REIMBURSEMENTS
UE=UTIL. EXPENSES, DM=DUES/MEMBERSHIPS/FEES, SP=SALARIES
PAID, ER=ELECTRICAL REBATE, MI=MISCELLANEOUS, OE=OPERATING
EXPENSES, CD=CD'S PURCHASED

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General Fund			
AMERICAN LEGAL	SE	101.60	
CAPITAL BUS SYSTEMS	SE	454.86	
EAKES	MI	213.80	
ELITE WEB DESIGN	SE	56.25	
Street Fund			
MURPHY	SU	1595.58	
CITY OF GI	SE	405.42	
Library Fund			
DOLLAR GENERAL	SU	16.37	
Fire Fund			
MEININGER	SE	150.00	
HERITAGE INS	IT	2184.00	
SANDRY FIRE	SU	39.50	
Park Fund			
ACE HARDWARE	SU	53.98	
Electric Fund			
WESCO	SU	5814.36	
CINTAS	SU	123.36	
BORDER STATES	SU	1104.20	
SPPD	UE	2702.04	
Water Fund			
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY	SU	780.61	
NEBRASKA PUB HLTH	SE	253.00	
Police Fund	0.750124		
HALL CO SHERIFF	SE	7719.23	
Senior Center Fund			
BTS COMMUNICATIONS	SE	155.00	
MIDWEST RESTAURANT	MI	21.00	
DENNIS WAGONER	SE	150.65	
Game & Park Fund			
NEBRASKA GAME & PARK	RE	30.00	
Real Estate Fund			
HALL COUNTY TREAS	DM	5.00	
Variety Fund			
VILLAGE UNIFORM	SE	201.12	
PRESTO-X	SE	210.18	
GREAT PLAINS COMM	SE	538.65	
SVEHLA LAW	SE	1675.00	
CENTRAL NEB BOBCAT	MI	11500.00	
CITY OF WR	UE	5756.78	
VERIZON	SE	175.59	
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UE	624.15	
HEARTLAND DISP	SE	260.61	
CARDMEMBER SERVICES	MI	1966.26	

TOTAL DISB. \$ 47,038.15 CHECKS NOT ON LIST \$ **145,329.19** 

192,367.34

Checks not on list

37073 SMART SOIL	6000.00
37074 RICKS FERT	12175.90
37075 JAMES THOMPSON	1827.50
37076 USPS	210.79
37077 THOMAS WAGONER	125000.00
37078 NEBRASKA DEPT	115.00

COUNCILPERSON

NEBRASKA LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

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# Special Designated License Local Recommendation (Form 200)

Applications must be entered on the portal after local approval – no exceptions

Late applications are non-refundable and will be rejected

MJR Inc. / DBA	Bandits	
Retail Liquor License N	Name or *Non-Profit Organization (*Must include Form #201 as Page 2)	
1016 N. Diers A	Ave. STE 118 Grand Island, NE 68803	
Retail Liquor License A	Address <u>or</u> Non-Profit Business Address	
CK-094736		
Retail License Number	r <u>or</u> Non-Profit Federal ID #	
Consecutive Dates only Event Date(s):	Y 05/27/2023	
Event Start Time(s):	5:00 p.m.	
Event End Time(s):	11:00 p.m.	- Annual of the Control of the Contr
Alternate Date:		
Alternate Location Bui	ilding & Address:	
Event Building Name:	Babel's Barn	
Event Street Address/C	City: 510 W. Old Military Rd. Wood River, NE 68883	
<u>Indoor</u> area to be licens	used in length & width: $\frac{100'}{x}$ $\frac{90'}{x}$	
Outdoor area to be lice	ensed in length & width:X (Diagram Form #109 must be attached)	
Type of Event: Alum		
Type of alcohol to be se	erved: Beer X Wine X Distilled Spirits X (If not marked, you will not be able to serve this type of alcohol)	
Event Contact Name:	Tim McMullen Event Contact Phone Number: 308/379-1094	
Event Contact Email:	banditsbar01@gmail.com	
*Signature Authorized I declare that I am the autho best of my knowledge and b to waive any rights or cause said information to the Lique other person, group, organia holder of this Special Design	Printed Name  I'm (C)  orized representative of the above named license applicant and that the statements made on this applehiel. I also consent to an investigation of my background including all records of every kind including es of action against the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission, the Nebraska State Patrol or any other for Control Commission or the Nebraska State Patrol. I further declare that the license applied for will ization or corporation for profit or not for profit and that the event will be supervised by persons directly mated License.	olication are true to the gpolice records. I agree rindividual releasing not be used by any
Retail licensee – Must be Non-Profit Organization	e signed by a member listed on permanent license n – Must be signed by a Corporate Officer	eg akokumena
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# RESOLUTION NO. 2023- 188

# A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE WOOD RIVER AQUATIC CENTER FACILITIES

NOW BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER, NEBRASKA That the following fees be and are hereby approved and adopted for the Wood River Aquatic Center facilities:

Children 3 and under	Free
Daily rate-children age 16 and under	\$4.00
Daily rate-adult	
Single season pass	
Single season pass, Senior	
Family season pass (5 family members and under)	\$130.00
Family season pass (6 family members and over)	\$160.00
Private pool party	\$325.00
Private pool party (non-profit organizations)	\$275.00
Semi-private pool party	\$175.00
Public pool party	
Special punch card – 10 passes (SCK and 21st Century Comm. Learning)	
CITY OF WOOD RIVER, HALL COUNTY, NEBRASKA	
Greg Cramer, Mayor	
ATTEST:	
Ashley Manning, City Clerk	



# NAHTF AGENDA ITEM City of Wood River Council May 2, 2023

# Rental Conversion - Application Dunn Building

Agenda Item #\_\_\_: Approve to Authorize Chief Elected Official to Sign the Application for Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund (NAHTF) – Rental Conversion of the Dunn Building.

The City of Wood River is asked to apply for \$526,000 NAHTF to provide funding to the developer of the Dunn Building, 108 E 9<sup>th</sup> Street, for the conversion of all of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor to three apartments. Two units will be for eligible occupants at or below 120% of Area Median Income for Hall County, and the third unit will be for eligible occupants at 100% of Area Median Income for Hall County, as designated annually by NAHTF. Following a review of the Program Guidelines (including attachments), this action provides authority to the Chief Elected Official to apply on behalf of the City for the NAHTF and sign all project associated documents including the contract with the State of Nebraska Department of Economic Development.

# 23NAHTF Wood River RH Conversion – Apartments Rental Program Guidelines

- A. Maximum Per Unit Subsidy: The project will have two (2) one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartments, and one (1) efficiency, one-bathroom apartment, with three (3) units receiving the Trust Fund subsidy. Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund (NAHTF) financial assistance will not exceed the maximum NAHTF per unit 2023 subsidy of \$183,132 for each one-bedroom unit and \$159,753.60 for an efficiency unit. Subsidy limits used are the HUD Home subsidy limits found at this link 2022 lowa and Nebraska PerUnit Subsidies.xlsx
- B. NAHTF Assisted Units: NAHTF funds will be used to assist households whose income is at or below 120% Area Median Income (AMI) (2 units) and 100% AMI (1 unit) in the NAHTF eligible units. For Hall County, the 2022 1-person 120% limit is \$66,000, and for 2-persons is \$75,450. The 100% limit is \$55,100, and for 2-persons is \$62,900. Current Income Limits are found at the following link. https://opportunity.nebraska.gov/programs/housing/nahtf/
- C. Rent Limits: The Rent limits will not exceed the 65% HUD Home rent limits for Hall County of \$939 for a 1-bedroom, according to 2021 Home Program Rents, U.S. Department of HUD. The rates were determined as appropriate to meet the workforce needs of 100% AMI or up to 120% AMI due to the critical shortage of housing and lower AMI apartments already offered in the community. The HUD Fair Market Rent rate for Hall County is set at \$611/month. The Owner will pay utilities, water, trash service, and provide snow removal. The rate guidance is found at the following link on the NDED website: <a href="https://opportunity.nebraska.gov/programs/housing/nahtf/">https://opportunity.nebraska.gov/programs/housing/nahtf/</a>. These can also be located at the HUD exchange website <a href="https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/home-datasets/files/HOME RentLimits State NE 2021.pdf">https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/home-datasets/files/HOME RentLimits State NE 2021.pdf</a>
- D. **Relocation:** Relocation of individuals for this rental rehabilitation conversion project is not applicable as housing units do not currently exist.
- E. **Enforcement of Rent and Income Limit:** The Owner covenants, guarantees, commits, and promises that they will enforce Rent and Income Limits, property standards, and all other NAHTF requirements (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Requirements") during the Affordability Period which shall not be less than ten years beginning from and after the date when NDED has received notice that ALL units are verified as occupied.

NAHTF- assisted units will serve households with incomes at or below 120% AMI (two units) and at or below 100% AMI (one unit), as designated. Household income limits for NAHTF-assisted units are found on the NDED website at this link.

https://opportunity.nebraska.gov/programs/housing/nahtf/.

During the Affordability Period, the Enforcement of Rent and Income Limits and the Requirements shall further be assured through a deed of trust prepared by the City of Wood River's attorney. This legal document will identify the property's NAHTF- assisted units are to remain affordable for at least 10 years and that they will be rented to persons at or below 120% AMI (two units) and at or below 100% AMI (one unit), as designated.

- F. Affordability Period: The affordability period for this project is ten-years. The Pro-Forma demonstrates that the project can be managed to cover all project costs during this time and the developer will not need to apply for a waiver of the affordability period. The South Central Economic Development District Inc. (SCEDD), as grant housing manager, will be responsible for initial tenant income qualification. The Owner will have oversight over the property and ensuring all income qualification requirements are followed. As the applicant and grantee, the City of Wood River will reserve the right to review records to ensure the correct number of income qualified units will be maintained throughout the ten-year affordability period.
- G. Affirmative Marketing Procedures: SCEDD grant management staff will assist the property managers with initial marketing to prospective tenants. Affirmative marketing procedures include but are not limited to marketing to local and regional residents, tenants of public housing, families assisted by public housing agencies, and households identified to be potentially eligible but least likely to apply. Information will be made available at the City Office, Library, and Senior Center/Food Pantry and will be placed in the local newspaper as well as social media posts by the City of Wood River. "Project will use affirmative marketing procedures including, but not limited to, marketing to local or regional residents & tenants of public housing and manufactured housing, other families assisted by public housing agencies, and households identified to be potentially eligible but least likely to apply, including Seniors and those living with disabilities."
- H. Fair Housing Act: This project will be in compliance with the Fair Housing Act and will not discriminate in any way on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status or handicap as described and as applicable in Section 804 (42 U.S.C 3604). The Owner will comply with all aspects of the Fair Housing Act by conducting an annual evaluation of policies and procedures in advertising, application process, tenant selection process, and ongoing property management procedures to ensure compliance with the Fair Housing Act and any potential future changes in the law. All advertising will be designed to be compliant through the utilization of resources from the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission (NEOC). Potential applicants will be provided information on fair housing when they inquire about housing, complete an application, receive a determination of eligibility, and again when they sign an apartment lease. Information regarding fair housing will be posted in a prominent location within the apartment along with contact information of the City of Wood River fair housing representative, NEOC, and Regional HUD Office. The Nebraska Fair Housing Act prohibits the Owner from discrimination because of race, creed, religion, color, national origin, sex, disability, familial status, or ancestry.
- Minimum Rehabilitation Standards: The apartment project is rental conversion project designed to exceed the minimum structural standards, basic equipment and facilities standards; light, ventilation and heating standards; space, use and location requirements; fences, and premises standards.
- J. Radon Mitigation: The radon level will be measured by environmental services prior to completion of the project. A passive-active radon mitigation system will be installed if recommended for the safety of the Tenants. In which case, SCEDD will work with the Owner to establish education, as needed, through an annual posting of radon testing in place, sent in tenant email communications along with other important updates, and through the RentWise education

program. If the system is installed, Owner's maintenance staff will add the passive radon mitigation system monitors to the annual inspection inside the apartment units and review the remote monitor system weekly. Any high levels of radon reported will result in notification to the Hall County Health Department and immediate remediation or mitigation measures undertaken as required.

- K. Annual Rent Review: Annual income certifications of NAHTF apartment tenant incomes will be conducted in January of each year by the Owner. SCEDD Grant Management will assist with initial income review certifications. The annual rent review and utility allowance will be conducted at the end of the first annual lease and then on an annual basis by the Owner. The current HOME Program 65% Rent Limit and HUD Utility Allowance will be utilized to calculate the net monthly rent per unit.
- L. Tenant Selection Policy: See attachment of the Owner Tenant Selection Policy.
- M. Applicant Rules and Regulations: See attachment of the Owner Rules and Regulations Policy.
- N. Lease Agreement: See attachment of the Owner Applicant Lease Agreement. The agreement does not contain any prohibited provisions either explicitly or implied.
- O. Lease Purchase Program: This project does not have a lease purchase program.
- P. **Tenant Education:** Tenant Education is a requirement for all approved tenants. This project will use RentWise Nebraska or other Department approved equivalent through the affordability period. Applicants will be provided information regarding the availability of required training and will be required to provide proof of completed training to the Owner.
- Q. Washer and Dryer Assurance: All NAHTF-assisted apartments will have their own washer and dryer in each unit.
- R. **Process of Amending Guidelines:** Any revisions made to these program guidelines must be approved by the City of Wood River and submitted for approval of amendment to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development.
- S. **Grievance Procedures**: If an applicant thinks they have been treated unfairly during any part of the process or discriminated against regarding application selection, the applicant can appeal to the City of Wood River for further consideration. All grievances (complaints) or appeals must be received by the City of Wood River in writing within 20 (twenty) days of the date of Non-Selection. The Wood River City Council will consider the grievance at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The Council's decision will be submitted in writing to the applicant within 7 (seven) days of the Council meeting. The applicant may appeal the decision of the Wood River City Council by submitting an appeal within 14 (fourteen) days of the date of the Council's decision letter. The appeal will be reviewed by a third-party reviewer of a representative from South Central Economic Development District Inc., serving as NAHTF grant administrator, and/or a third-party entity secured through the small-purchase procurement process, with the third-party reviewer providing

their decision, in writing, to the applicant and the City of Wood River. Any subsequent grievance appeals will be forwarded to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development as the final party to address the grievance.

T. Conflict of Interest: Conflict of Interest policy of DED Applicant/Recipient organization. No member of the governing body, official employee, agent or member of their immediate family of the City of Wood River who exercises policy, decision-making functions or responsibilities in connection with the planning and implementation of the housing rental program shall directly or indirectly benefit from this program. The Nebraska Department of Economic Development (NEDED) may grant written exception. This prohibition shall continue for one year after an individual's relationship with the City of Wood River ends. Any other employee, officer, or board member may be eligible, but will be treated no differently in the determination of applications accepted in the program. Enclosed with the tenant's application shall be a statement of disclosure which outlines the nature of the possible conflict and a description of how the public disclosure was made. Included will also be verification that the affected person has withdrawn from the active involvement in any housing grant related issues.

These rental housing guideline	s are hereby approved by action of t	he City of Wood River City Council
through Agenda	passed and approved the	
[Presented for approval for Ap	plication submission pending award	of the NAHTF grant]
City of Wood River, Mayor		Date



April 21, 2023

Greg Cramer Mayor, Wood River 108 W 10th Street PO Box 8 Wood River, NE 68883

RE:

Wood River Advance Assistance Project (Drainage Improvements)

Progress Report for the Period ending March 31, 2023

FHU Project Number 119362-05

Submitted with Invoice Number 37071

# Dear Greg:

This report for the above referenced project describes progress made in the past period, any deliverables submitted, the status of the budget and schedule, and estimates progress to be made in the upcoming period. To help with the quarterly reporting and grant reimbursement requests, I am including a budget summary for each grant task, along with project management cost summary and detail as requested by NEMA. Also included is Invoice No. 37071 in the amount of \$18,316.25 with a total billed-to-date amount of \$355,229.31 which represents approximately 65% of the original contract amount.

# Progress This Period

For design and engineering, this period was focused on refining the hydraulics of the proposed structures, determining the headwater for the final design on the box culverts so that information can be provided to NDOT and included in plan notes. We also evaluated and designed the profile for the field drive off of 130<sup>th</sup> Road north of the highway, so water would be able to overtop it and flow north and east as it needs to rather than impacting the highway.

Final plan development for the structures was also done. Quantities of materials for all project locations were calculated, with cost estimate development. This information will be used in the Benefit Cost Analysis, which was begun in depth this period.

We calculated wetland impacts and finalized the Conservation and Environment Review Tool for your signature and the NGPC coordination.

The Historic Properties below ground and above ground surveys were completed this period and final documentation drafted.

We are continuing to develop the HMGP grant application.

Project management tasks included coordination with Ashley and NEMA on grant management, and meeting with NEMA for a monthly progress report.

# Deliverables This Pay Period

We are marking the Environmental and Historic Survey, Consultation, and Documentation task complete.

## Meetings

I met with the NEMA team on March 28, 2023, for a monthly coordination and progress check in meeting.

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# Anticipated Progress in the Next Period

In the next period I anticipate we will continue with the benefit cost analysis and the HMGP grant application and meet again with NEMA. I was not able to reach out further to NDOT to coordinate work with them so will work toward that. We will also work with Ashley to get contact information for the public information distributions.

# **Budget and Schedule Status**

As noted above, at the end of this period we are 65% through the budget for the work on the Advance Assistance (Drainage Improvements) project. I will continue to work with Ashley to provide assistance on the submittal documentation for reimbursement from NEMA. As you may remember, we have a July deadline for completing all pieces for this grant. The most significant remaining items are the Benefit Cost Analysis and the Grant Application. Coordination with NDOT and the Railroad are also considerable needs. I look forward to us submitting this material and a successful grant on your behalf for the final work and construction.

As you know, we are grateful for the opportunity to work with you, and we look forward to Wood River having these drainage improvements constructed and functioning. If you have any questions regarding this progress report, please feel free to contact me at 402-438-7530 or jodi.kocher@fhueng.com.

Sincerely,

**FELSBURG HOLT & ULLEVIG** 

Jodi E. Kocher, PE

Sr. Water Resources Engineer

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**Enclosures**