

Pawnee City May Get New Dentist Office

(KLZA)-- Dr. Travis Kobza and Marissa Kobza met with the Pawnee City Council Monday night to discuss possible removal of a street light.

The Kobza's are considering constructing a building for a dental office on F Street between the FSA Office and Bills Auto. A street light is located in front of that location which would interfere with parking in front of the building.

John DeFreece with Nebraska Public Power District was present at the meeting. He estimated the cost to move the pole at \$1,500. DeFreece said he would have the bulb removed from the street light for a few nights so Council members could take a look at the area without the light.

While it is not definite a new building will be constructed, the Council did say they would work with the Kobza's.

The Council also approved the expenditure of \$8,800 with JEO Engineers of Nebraska City to conduct a Utility Cost of Service Analysis and Rate Design for the Pawnee City Sewer Plant. City Clerk Tammy Stephens said the new rates would be tiered because it appears homeowners are paying more of the sewer plant costs than larger commercial customers.

In other business the Council approved hiring Matt Kuhlmann as a full-time city crew member. Kuhlmann already has all needed certifications to work with the water and sewer plant.

Pawnee County Sheriff Jayme Reed met with the Council. One of the topics was dog licensing issues. Council members decided to make no changes to the 1 & 6 Year Street Plan so it can be prepared.

The Council also decided to change the way the farm ground and hay ground the city owns is managed. Instead of two separate leases, it will be re-bid a one bid including approximately 175 acres of tillable land and the pasture land at the wells site.

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