

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – Monday, August 1, 2016

The Cambridge City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 1, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members present: Kovarik, Thom, Mortensen, Todd, Mayor DeYoung. Absent: Pelz. Visitors: Dale Hennick, Mary DeBaca, Eileen Wuebker, Molly Rhiner, Travis Rhiner, Josh Michel, Sarah Michel, Jake Moody, Ryan Schlater, Michael Crumb, Tracey Crumb, Austin Harrington, Barb McBreen, Ruth Purvis, Larry Purvis, Chad Hendrickson, Joe Marchesano.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor DeYoung at 7:00 p.m. He led the council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor DeYoung opened for public comment the hearing to consider the proposed sale and conveyance of the property at 119 Water Street. No comments were brought forward by citizens in attendance, and no written comments were received prior to the hearing. A motion by Thom, seconded by Kovarik, to close the public hearing. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Mayor DeYoung asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. A motion by Kovarik, seconded by Todd, to approve the minutes as written. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Comments from the audience were asked for with Mary DeBaca and Eileen Wuebker, Story County Community Foundation, addressing the council. Ms. DeBaca discussed the creation of the SCCF ten years ago by the state legislature, and its purpose of endowment building and promoting private giving. She also discussed foundation grants previously awarded to the city and fire department. Ms. Wuebker discussed the grant process. Grants are provided to city organizations and non-profit groups each year. Mayor DeYoung stated that the foundation has been a wonderful tool for gathering donations for the community center project. Ryan Schlater, Cambridge Volunteer Fire Department, thanked the board for the grant to purchase the wildfire unit.

Larry and Ruth Purvis, 300 S. Race Street, addressed the council for an update on resolving the flooding issues on S. Race Street. Mayor DeYoung indicated that they are waiting on an estimate for installing new drain tile on a portion of Center Street.

Following is a summary of receipts for July: General Fund, \$71,494.67; TIF Fund, \$1,385.78; Road Use Tax, \$7,696.55; Economic Development Fund, \$5,221.06; Debt Service, \$77.96; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$2.74; Garbage Utility, \$5,872.96; Water Utility, \$12,207.15; Sewer Utility, \$6,025.44. Total Receipts: \$109,984.31.

Following is a summary of disbursements for July: General Fund, \$95,086.42; TIF Fund, \$909.30; Road Use Tax, \$4,151.08; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$13,855.57; Garbage Utility, \$5,982.14; Water Utility, \$8,029.27; Sewer Utility, \$18,662.96. Total Disbursements: \$146,677.01.

The following list of claims was presented to the council for August:

AG SOURCE	Analysis	690.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	Monthly Service	3,862.67
ANKENY SANITATION	Service-July	5,817.70
JC CROSS CO.	Blower	4,918.45
EFTPS	Fed. & FICA W/H	2,697.38
FIRE RESCUE SPECIALTY	Ladder Extensions	400.00
HACH	Sampler	3,779.61
HAWKINS, INC.	Water Treatment	1,325.84
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	Monthly Service	291.35
INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	Generator Batteries	296.69
I.C.A.P.	FY2017 Insurance Renewal	10,734.14
IOWA D N R	Annual Wastewater Permit	210.00
I.M.W.C.A.	FY17 Worker's Comp. Renewal	6,694.00
I P E R S	Retirement	1,479.41
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Supplies	72.88
A KING'S THRONE	Portable Restroom	87.00
LEBER, JESSICA	Utility Deposit Refund	80.00
LEWIS LAW FIRM	Legal Services	1,865.00
MARC	Chemical	68.12
MENARDS	Supplies	411.37
SJE RHOMBUS	Tower Radios	3,347.00
STATE TREASURER	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr. Sales Tax	2,403.00
UNITED RENTALS	Boom Rental	1,531.42
U.S. CELLULAR	Monthly Service	93.86
U.S. POSTMASTER	Billing Postage	102.00
WAGES	Net Wages	7,130.83
WARG, DANIEL	Cemetery Maintenance	606.13
WELLMARK BC/BS	Health Premium	<u>3,531.09</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS		\$64,363.81

After discussion, a motion by Thom, seconded by Mortensen, to accept the receipts and approve all claims for payment. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The treasurer's report, budget balances report, bank reconciliation, list of outstanding checks, and police report were presented and accepted by the council.

Reports from outstanding committees were asked for with Dale Hennick, Public Works Director, reporting that the new tower radios would arrive on Friday. Mayor DeYoung read a letter from the DNR concerning a complaint filed about dumping behind the fire

station, and a report of what was collected during the July 2<sup>nd</sup> appliance and scrap metal event. Public Works Director Hennick reported that they were working on cleaning up the items behind the fire station addressed in the letter, and had installed a sign eliminating dumping of any kind at the location. Concerning the discussion of establishing a memorial for Butch Moody initiated at the previous meeting, Mortensen indicated that he would like to talk to JoAnn Moody about it, with an intent to dedicate the memorial in the spring at the start of little league season. Mayor DeYoung reported that FEH had presented a preliminary design for the community/multi-use center at a meeting last Thursday. He also reported that he had an accepted offer on the purchase of 119 Water Street, a party interested in a lot at the Industrial Park, and that he had attended the SCEDG meeting last month in Roland.

The first item under old business was the report from the State Auditor's office following the periodic exam performed last fall. Mayor DeYoung reported that the city attorney was working on procedures for submitting outstanding checks to the State Treasurer as unclaimed property.

The next item concerned implementation of an on-line bill pay system for utility payments. Todd presented the participation agreement for Government Payment Services, Inc. to begin receiving utility payments through govpaynet. After discussion, a motion by Todd, seconded by Kovarik, to approve the agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The last item under old business concerned the petition asking that the city code be amended to allow domestic chickens to be raised within the Cambridge city limits. Petition organizers, Josh Michel and Travis Rhiner, addressed the council to add additional signatures of support from residents. Several concerns were made by the mayor and council, including the inspection process and costs, treatment of sick animals and disposal of deceased ones, predators, setting a precedent for the introduction of other farm animals, and code issues. After discussion, a motion was made by Mortensen to amend the animal control ordinance to allow for domestic chickens with the requirements for animal owners discussed, and based on the City of Huxley ordinance. The motion died for lack of a second. Mr. Michel and Mr. Rhiner indicated that Pelz had submitted an absentee vote in support of the ordinance change. Mayor DeYoung and the clerk reported receiving no such vote. The mayor and council agreed to leave this matter on the agenda for the September regular council meeting when Pelz should be present to take final action.

The first item under new business was notice of a consultation meeting between the Story County Board of Supervisors and entities affected by the county's urban renewal area plan. Mayor DeYoung will attend the meeting on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and make a presentation and application for \$50,000.00 in grant funds for the community/multi-use center.

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The last item under new business concerned the September regular council meeting. Due to the Labor Day Holiday and in order to have a quorum, a motion by Kovarik, seconded by Thom, to schedule the meeting for Wednesday, September 14, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Resolution No. 16-17, "Resolution Authorizing Sale of Certain Real Property", was presented to the council. A motion by Thom, seconded by Kovarik, to approve the sale of the property at 119 Water Street to J. Von Gutenbosen Corporation. Roll Call: Ayes: Kovarik, Mortensen, Thom, Todd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Items discussed under Mayor/Council comments included a discussion of the ATV ordinance, the paving project at Ballard East, and a complaint concerning motorized vehicles on the bike trail.

A motion by Todd, seconded by Thom, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

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Debra L. Thompson, City Clerk

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Scott A. DeYoung, Mayor