

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – Monday, March 3, 2014

The Cambridge City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members present: Macki, Mortensen, Taylor, Thom, Kovarik, Mayor DeYoung. Absent: None. Visitors: Dan Soda, Shelley Soda, Richard Scott, Dale Hennick, Barb McBreen, Joe Marchesano, Ryan Schlater, Drew Kamp.

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 adoption of the new code for the city. No comments were brought forward by citizens in attendance, and no written comments were received prior to the hearing. A motion by Macki, seconded by Thom, to close the public hearing. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Mayor DeYoung asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the February 3rd and 17th meetings. A motion by Macki, seconded by Thom, to approve the minutes as written. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Comments from the audience were asked for with Drew Kamp, Ames Economic Development Commission, addressing the council. He indicated that he was checking-in with the council as part of his contract with the Board of Supervisors to work with the small cities in Story County on their economic development needs and projects. He reported that he was working with Mayor DeYoung to find money to do building improvements and business start-up at 117 Water Street. He also discussed the recent county façade grant program and other available grants that might benefit the city.

Following is a summary of receipts for February: General Fund, \$11,163.32; Road Use Tax, \$7,851.23; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$1.95; Garbage Utility, \$5,036.79; Water Utility, \$8,845.50; Sewer Utility, \$5,114.74. Total Receipts: \$38,013.53.

The following list of claims was presented to the council:

AG SOURCE	Analysis	671.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	Monthly Service	4,984.12
ALLIED INSURANCE	Surety Bond	443.00
ANKENY SANITATION	Service-February	5,597.25
BALLARD DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS	Scholarship	350.00
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	Strobe, Fittings	128.60
CAMB. VOL. FIRE DEPT.	2013 Fire/Rescue Calls	3,925.00
DRAINTECH	Jet Sewer Line	260.00
EFTPS	Fed. & FICA W/H	2,431.61
HEALTH ALLIANCE	Medical Premium	2,669.00
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	Monthly Service	289.13

I P E R S	Retirement	1,375.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Live Traps	125.48
LEWIS LAW FIRM	Legal Services	200.00
MENARDS	Supplies	292.28
QUICK'S HARDWARE HANK	Supplies	296.88
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY	Service, Supplies	238.40
STEFFEN	Post Driver	2,701.85
TRI AIR TESTING, INC.	SCBA Service	154.00
U.S. CELLULAR	Monthly Service	90.05
U.S. POSTMASTER	Billing Postage	122.40
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	Parts	29.01
WAGES	Net Wages	5,594.29
WELLMARK BC/BS	Dental Premium	<u>192.80</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS		\$33,161.65

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

The treasurer's report, budget balances report, bank reconciliation and police report were presented and approved by the council.

Reports from standing committees were asked for with Public Works Director Dale Hennick reporting that the issue with the new filter at the water plant overflowing had been resolved. He also reported that six service lines were frozen due to the extreme cold this winter. He is providing water where needed, and assisting in the efforts to thaw the lines where he can. Mayor DeYoung reported that a nuisance letter had been sent to the owner of the dilapidated property at 115 Water Street. The property at 107 Vine is being addressed by the owner. The council discussed a proposal to mow the cemetery for 2014, prices for new lots in the cemetery addition, and grants for trees at the cemetery. A motion by Macki, seconded by Taylor, to table these items until the next regular council meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. The following wages for city employees were reported to the IRS on W-2's: Scott DeYoung, \$1,200.00; Debra Thompson, \$35,913.75; Dale Hennick, \$49,200.00; Adam Humphrey, \$5,667.00; Nicholas Swanson, \$14,812.76; Tina Onken, \$1,348.25; Ruth Purvis, \$280.00; Janet Thorson, \$9,009.13. Mayor DeYoung reported that the purchase of the building at 117 Water Street was on hold pending financing of the new building by the owner, and that he had received one quote for repairs at the fire station. He will continue to solicit additional bids for that project.

The first item under old business concerned the budget for the city for FY2015. The clerk reported that the public hearing has been scheduled for Monday, March 10, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. The hearing to consider amending the current city budget is planned for May.

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The next item concerned the renewal of the 28E Agreement with the Resource Recovery Center for solid waste disposal. The clerk reported that she is continuing to work with Ankeny Sanitation on the comparison of the cost and feasibility of renewing the agreement.

The last item under old business concerned the hiring of an assistant public works director for the city. Public Works Director Hennick submitted a draft of a job description for the position. Thom agreed to review the draft and put it into a more complete format. He will try to have it ready for council approval by the March 10th special meeting.

The only item discussed under new business was the recent inspection of the city's water supply distribution system by the IDNR. The council reviewed the report, and their recommendations. Public Works Director Hennick will follow-up on the recommendations.

Ordinance No. 14-A, "An Ordinance Adopting the 'Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Cambridge, Iowa'", was presented to the council. A motion by Macki, seconded by Kovarik, was made to approve the ordinance on its final reading. Roll Call: Ayes: Kovarik, Macki, Mortensen, Taylor, Thom. Nays: None. Motion carried. The clerk reported that the ordinance will become effective upon its publication. Mayor DeYoung reported that a copy will be available at the library, as well as City Hall.

Items under good and welfare included a discussion with citizens in attendance on enforcement of the new code.

A motion by Macki, seconded by Mortensen, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Debra L. Thompson, CityClerk

Scott A. DeYoung, Mayor