

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – Monday, March 6, 2017

The Cambridge City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members present: Mayor DeYoung, Thom, Todd, Mortensen, Pelz, Kovarik. Absent: None. Visitors: Kurt Ceynar, Ronda Ceynar, Larry Reinsch, Mick Smelter, Paul Meyers, Spencer Pote, Mark Pote, Dale Hennick.

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 asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the February 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. A motion by Todd, seconded by Thom, to approve the minutes as written. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Comments from the audience were asked for with Larry Reinsch, Iowa Jeep Club, addressing the council concerning the possibility of sharing the OHV park with CORE for their annual Iowa All Breeds Jeep Show & 4x4 Event, and for future events. He gave the council a history of the club and details about the jeep show. Paul Meyers, Iowa Jeep Club, stated that the club had been holding the event at the 4H fairgrounds in Nevada and they had outgrown that location. Also, the set up and tear down was becoming a drain to the members. The track they build for the event is made up of concrete culvert tile, piles of dirt and rock. At the OHV park, it would likely be possible to leave the track in place, and open for additional events, as well as be used by CORE members. Spencer Pote, CORE, indicated that they would like to work together with the jeep club to improve the OHV park and expand it's use. The council approved moving forward with the proposal, and Mayor DeYoung asked Todd to act as the point of contact for the council.

Kurt and Ronda Ceynar, 119 Vine Street, addressed the council with an application for a building permit for a garage. Mayor DeYoung indicated that he is the zoning administrator for the city, and will review their application.

Following is a summary of receipts for February: General Fund, \$10,030.23; TIF Fund, \$1,587.38; Road Use Tax, \$9,654.73; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$6,254.10; Garbage Utility, \$6,807.20; Water Utility, \$11,370.08; Sewer Utility, \$6,927.76. Total Receipts: \$52,631.48.

Following is a summary of disbursements for February: General Fund, \$25,405.00; TIF Fund, \$725.00; Road Use Tax, \$686.70; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$113,392.98; Garbage Utility, \$6,034.70; Water Utility, \$5,315.00; Sewer Utility, \$2,701.64. Total Disbursements: \$154,261.02.

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

AG SOURCE	Analysis	673.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	Monthly Service	3,886.48
ANKENY SANITATION	Service-February	6,240.88
EFTPS	Fed. & FICA W/H	2,648.55
FEH DESIGN	Bidding-City Center	12,460.00

GATEHOUSE MEDIA IOWA	Publishing	205.53
HACH	Testing Supplies	371.91
HAWKINS, INC.	Water Treatment	576.50
HEARTLAND CO-OP	Diesel	913.24
HILGENBERG, MIKE	Utility Deposit Refund	40.00
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	Monthly Service	301.68
I P E R S	Retirement	1,490.13
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Supplies	129.21
KAHLER, MELISSA	Utility Deposit & Overpayment Refund	40.02
MARC	Chemical	474.00
MENARDS	Drywall, Fixtures, Supplies	553.74
NATIONWIDE	Performance Bond	443.00
QUICK'S HARDWARE HANK	Supplies	293.76
U.S. CELLULAR	Monthly Service	93.90
U.S. POSTMASTER	Billing Postage	102.00
ULINE	Drum Truck	315.42
WAGES	Net Wages	7,024.05
WELLMARK BC/BS	Health Premium	<u>3,540.82</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS		\$42,818.32

After discussion, a motion by Thom, 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 list of outstanding checks, and police report were presented and accepted by the council.

Reports from standing committees were asked for with Public Works Director Hennick reporting that they had made some adjustments to the blower on the water filter to work more efficiently. Pelz reported that he had made contact concerning the junk vehicle at the gas station, and would be contacting the owner of the trailer court to talk about solid waste and vehicle violations there. The council discussed mowing of the cemetery for the upcoming season. They approved hiring Don Erickson to mow the cemetery at a rate of \$12.00 per hour. Todd discussed the condition of some of the new trees at the cemetery. The council decided to wait a while and see if they recover on their own before replacing them. Mayor DeYoung reported that he has buyers for the final two lots, Lot 2 and Lot 4, in the Industrial Park. He would like to schedule a public hearing for the April regular council meeting to consider the sale and conveyance of the lots to Extreme Concrete and Precision Underground. The council set the public hearing for Monday, April 3, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

The first item under old business concerned the Cambridge City Center. Mayor DeYoung reviewed with the council the construction schedule, and proposal from Michael Maloney, for financing. A motion by Kovarik, seconded by Thom, to borrow \$1,200,000 for construction of the project, with an 8-year repayment schedule. Roll Call: All Ayes.

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The last item under old business concerned preparation of the budget for the city for FY17/18. The public hearing to consider the proposed budget will be held Monday, March 13, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

The first item under new business was an application from the Tattered Toad for a cigarette permit for the remainder of the fiscal year. A motion by Todd, seconded by Mortensen, to approve the permit. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The next item was the report from the Iowa DNR concerning their recent inspection of the city's water plant and distribution system. No significant deficiencies were identified during the inspection. Minor deficiencies, two requirements, and recommendations will be addressed by public works staff.

The next item under new business was the announcement from Story County Outreach and Special Projects that the Board of Supervisors had continued the Technical Assistance to Communities Program. The grant will pay up to \$3,000 toward eligible projects. Projects must be completed by June 30, 2017. Mayor DeYoung indicated that he would like to apply for the funds to offset bid letting fees for the community center project or for city code updates.

Other items discussed under new business included scheduling an appliance/scrap metal pick-up again this spring, and sponsoring a tree replacement program.

The last item under new business concerned the April regular council meeting. Mayor DeYoung reported that he would be out of state for the regular meeting on Monday, April 3, 2017. Kovarik indicated that he would be available to chair that meeting.

Items discussed under Mayor/Council comments included a report from Police Chief Mark Pote that the Country Store had failed a cigarette compliance check for selling to minors, and that charges had been filed in a recent robbery/assault incident on River Street. The council also discussed replacement of the computer at City Hall, the development of an archery range at the old ball diamond, and making rock available for driveways.

A motion by Thom, seconded by Kovarik, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Debra L. Thompson, City Clerk

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Scott A. DeYoung, Mayor

