

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – Monday, October 3, 2016

The Cambridge City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 3, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members present: Todd, Thom, Pelz, Kovarik, Mayor DeYoung, Mortensen. Absent: None. Visitors: Josh Michel, Travis Rhiner, Orrie Peterson, 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 September 14th meeting. A motion by Thom, seconded by Todd, to approve the minutes as written. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Comments from the audience were asked for with Orrie Peterson, 611 Railroad Street, reporting that the boat and vehicles that he received a violation notice for have been licensed. He asked the council to consider putting some rock on Railroad Street and leveling it out. The council approved his request.

Following is a summary of receipts for September: General Fund, \$20,426.60; TIF Fund, \$18,081.19; Road Use Tax, \$10,665.38; Debt Service, \$1,163.24; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$1.52; Garbage Utility, \$7,008.26; Water Utility, \$13,153.97; Sewer Utility, \$7,456.45. Total Receipts: 77,956.61.

Following is a summary of disbursements for September: General Fund, \$40,310.03; TIF Fund, \$28,921.21; Road Use Tax, \$39,033.39; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$2,159.68; Garbage Utility, \$5,901.70; Water Utility, \$5,248.67; Sewer Utility, \$14,250.25. Total Disbursements: \$135,833.93.

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

ACTIVE 911	Paging Services	235.00
AG SOURCE	Analysis	743.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	Monthly Service	4,468.39
ANKENY SANITATION	Service – September	5,890.70
CITY OF HUXLEY	¼ Police Contract	11,300.96
EFTPS	Fed. & FICA W/H	2,806.84
FEH ASSOCIATES	Design Services	22,624.40
GATEHOUSE MEDIA IOWA	Publishing	129.95
HARRISON TRUCK CENTERS	Service Trucks	379.90
HAWKINS, INC.	Water Treatment	271.00
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	Monthly Service	296.41
IOWA D N R	Annual Water Use Fee	66.00
ISU TREASURER	Registration Fees	150.00
I P E R S	Retirement	1,511.27
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Supplies	111.94

MARC	Chemical	311.70
MENARDS	Supplies	643.75
NAZARETH LUTHERAN CHURCH	Property Purchase	20,000.00
PREFERRED PEST CONTROL	Termite Inspections	574.94
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY	Alteration	117.61
STATE TREASURER	3 rd Qtr. State W/H	1,140.00
STORY COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS ASSN.	Annual Dues	25.00
TOTAL TOOL	Stand Light	448.00
U.S. CELLULAR	Monthly Service	93.86
U.S. POSTMASTER	Billing Postage	102.00
USA BLUE BOOK	Gauges	348.84
WAGES	Net Wages	7,164.85
WARG, DANIEL	Cemetery Maintenance	90.82
WELLMARD BC/BS	Health Premium	<u>3,531.09</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS		\$85,578.22

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, list of outstanding checks, and police report were presented and accepted by the council.

Reports from standing committees were asked for with the council discussing the solid waste and junk vehicle notices that were sent out last month. They approved an extension to Mitch Kaufman, Overview East Trailer Court, until December 1st for his tenant's vehicle violations. The council also discussed the storm drain replacement project on Center Street. Mayor DeYoung reported that the community center project is progressing, and that the application for a façade grant for 119 Water Street has been submitted to the Story County Board of Supervisors. He will be attending the board meeting on Tuesday when they will be reviewing the grant applications. He will also be attending the next meeting of the Story County Economic Development Group on October 19th. Mayor DeYoung also reported that a new business has opened in the city, Hair by Heather is open for appointments and walk-ins at 218 Water Street.

The first item under old business concerned implementation of an on-line bill pay system for utility payments. Todd reported that the system is up and running. Credit and debit card payments can now be made at www.GovPayNow.com.

The last item under old business was the 2016 Legislative Summary of bills passed by the legislature this session that affect city codes. After discussion, a motion by Kovarik,

seconded by Thom, to incorporate “HF2459-Lien for Nonpayment” into the city’s code of ordinances. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The first item under new business was the notice of the schedule for 2016 Budget Workshops sponsored by the Iowa League of Cities. This year’s topics include budget projections and issues, an update on the budget forms and their completion, and tips for preparing the city budget and fiscal management.

The last item under new business concerned scheduling Beggar’s Night for Cambridge this year. The council set Monday, October 31st, from 6-8 p.m. for Beggar’s Night this year.

Ordinance No. 16-A, “An Ordinance Amending The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Cambridge, Iowa, By Adding New Sections To The Animal Protection And Control Chapter”, was presented to the council. A motion by Pelz, seconded by Mortensen, was made to approve the first reading of the ordinance allowing domestic chickens to be kept within the city limits of Cambridge. Mayor DeYoung asked if there were any discussion on the ordinance. Pelz commented that he felt the permit fee of \$50.00 per year was too high, and suggested it be set at \$25.00. Mayor DeYoung responded that the fee was determined based on the hourly rate for the Huxley Police Department to perform inspections and respond to complaints. Pelz also requested that the number of chickens allowed be changed from 4 to 5. Mayor DeYoung responded that the number of chickens was based on the Huxley code to provide continuity for enforcement. After further discussion of the council and interested residents, Mayor DeYoung asked for a roll call vote on the first reading of the ordinance. Ayes: Mortensen, Pelz. Nays: Thom, Kovarik, Todd. Motion failed, and the proposed ordinance will not move forward.

Items discussed under Mayor/Council comments included notice that Mayor DeYoung will out of state for the November regular council meeting. Kovarik agreed to preside over that meeting.

A motion by Thom, seconded by Mortensen, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Debra L. Thompson, City Clerk

Scott A. DeYoung, Mayor