

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday, September 9, 2015

The Cambridge City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members present: Macki, Mortensen, Taylor, Kovarik, Mayor DeYoung. Absent: Thom. Visitors: Barb McBreen, Randy Kennedy, Dale Hennick, Kevin Tully, 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.

The first item on the agenda was a hearing with Kevin Tully concerning a parking violation notice. As Mr. Tully was not present, Mayor DeYoung delayed the hearing.

Mayor DeYoung asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the August 10th meeting. A motion by Macki, seconded by Taylor, to approve the minutes as written. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Comments from the audience were asked for with Randy Kennedy addressing the council concerning his property on S. River Street. He stated that he is ready to install the water and sewer lines to the house he moved onto the property, and asked the council if they would consider providing any financial assistance in doing this. He indicated that he would do the digging, and discussed with the council the location of existing mains. Mayor DeYoung asked Mr. Kennedy to get material costs for the project.

Kevin Tully had joined the meeting by this time, and Mayor DeYoung opened the hearing concerning his parking violation notice. Mr. Tully asked why he had received the notice. Mayor DeYoung indicated that the notice related to the parking of several of his vehicles in the front yard of his property at 302 River Street. They reviewed the definition of a front yard as outlined in the chapter cited, and also the law concerning parking on public property. A motion by Kovarik, seconded by Macki, to withdraw the violation notice for Mr. Tully. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Following is a summary of receipts for August: General Fund, \$9,221.52; Road Use Tax, \$11,455.20; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$1,910.21; Garbage Utility, \$5,525.42; Water Utility, \$10,447.34; Sewer Utility, \$6,143.72. Total Receipts: \$44,733.41.

The following list of claims was presented to the council:

AG SOURCE	Analysis	557.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	Monthly Service	3,868.20
ANKENY SANITATION	Service-August	5,624.15
CAPITAL CITY EQUIPMENT	Supplies	33.75
EFTPS	Fed. & FICA W/H	2,713.36
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING	Pager Repair	93.00
FELD FIRE	Service Compressor	600.00

FIDELITY BANK	Returned Item	90.81
FOX ENGINEERING	Fees-Ind. Park, NPDES Permit	2,231.38
GATEHOUSE MEDIA IOWA	Publishing	517.94
HAWKINS, INC.	Water Treatment	297.25
HEALTH ALLIANCE	Medical Premium	1,732.00
HEUSS PRINTING	Comm. Center Sign	522.96
HUBER SUPPLY CO.	Supplies	55.00
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	Monthly Service	263.74
IOWA D O T	Signs, Gas Cans	66.30
I P E R S	Retirement	1,472.36
A KING'S THRONE	Port. Restroom	52.00
MENARDS	Supplies	398.64
MOMAR	Chemical	1,175.04
L.L. PELLING CO.	Street Maintenance	39,634.47
QUICK'S HARDWARE HANK	Supplies	144.58
STORY COUNTY TREASURER	Property Taxes	2,538.00
U.S. CELLULAR	Monthly Service	93.72
U.S. POSTMASTER	Billing Postage	140.00
USA BLUE BOOK	Marking Whiskers	79.74
VETTER EQUIPMENT	Mower Parts	84.40
WAGES	Net Wages	7,089.84
WARG, DANIEL	Cemetery Maintenance	584.43
WELLMARK BC/BS	Dental Premium	<u>136.50</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS		\$72,890.56

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 the clerk asking to revisit the council vote of a year ago to go back to a master meter for the trailer court with the billing going to the property owner. She indicated that the change was not made due to an anticipated objection by the potential new property owner. She asked Public Works Director Dale Hennick, to review with the council the reasons for making this change. He indicated that the trailers were not set up for individual meters and were breaking in the winter. Also several shut-offs have been obstructed by decks and outbuildings. A motion by Kovarik, seconded by Macki, to affirm the council's decision on the utility billing for the trailer court and to send the property owner a letter stating this decision and making it effective November 1st. Roll Call: All Ayes. The council discussed the standing water at W. 4th & Park Streets after recent rains. Public Works Director Hennick reported that CIT had been called to look for a blockage in the tile. Mayor

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DeYoung updated the council on the progress of the community/multi-use center. He reported that Huxley Communications is not eligible to provide the city with a “RedLeg” loan, and that a public referendum will be required for the project. He will continue working with the committee on fund raising and pursuing grant opportunities, with a potential vote on the project slated for next year’s elections.

The first item under old business concerned city elections for 2015. The clerk reported that the deadline for submitting completed nomination papers is 5:00 p.m. on September 17, 2015, at the Story County Auditor’s office.

The next item concerned renewal of health and dental insurance policies for city employees. The clerk reported that she has not received the numbers for health insurance yet.

The next item was the 2015 Legislative Summary prepared by Iowa Codification. A motion by Kovarik, seconded by Macki, to add the three new laws to the city code at a cost of \$450.00. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The last item under old business concerned the old ball diamond on 4th Street. A clear use has not been determined for the property, and the council gave the go-ahead to remove the old fence.

The first item under new business concerned the Rival Game Relay scheduled for Friday, September 11th. Participants will be going through Cambridge between 1-5 p.m. to bring the game ball from Iowa City to Ames for Saturday’s Iowa/Iowa State football game.

The next item concerned the designation of September 17-23 as Constitution Week and September 17th as Constitution Day. Mayor DeYoung made the proclamation as stated.

The last item under new business concerned E-911 funding grants. Mayor DeYoung referred this item to Fire Chief Hook.

Items discussed under Mayor/Council comments included the baseball/softball donation box set up at the library, and school board election results.

A motion by Macki, seconded by Mortensen, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Debra L. Thompson, City Clerk

Scott A. DeYoung, Mayor

