

Regular City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers

February 2, 2010
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor – Joyce Hudson
Council members Jeff Kennedy
Jim Aden
Tim Strauser
Jeff Whiting
City Administrator Bruce Clymer
City Attorney Mike Bacon
City Clerk Connie L. Dalrymple

Also present: Shane Gruber, Ryan Randolph, Doug Swanson, Louis Bovitz

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda were given to the Council and members of the press. City Council meetings are conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is available for public inspection on the north wall of the Council Chambers.

Aden moved, Strauser seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

City Council minutes - January 19

Tree Board minutes - January 26

Cemetery Board minutes - July 16, August 3, October 5

Roll call vote: Yea - Whiting, Strauser, Aden, Kennedy. Nay - none.

Kennedy moved, Aden seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City, \$69,222.20, except #4901 and #1868; Public Works Division \$82,378.73; and the January 21 payroll of \$29,716.35. Roll Call vote: Yea - Strauser, Whiting, Aden, Kennedy. Nay - none.

Aden moved. Whiting seconded, allowing payment of claim #4901 and #1868 to Quality Fire Extinguishers. Roll call vote: Yea - Strauser, Kennedy, Whiting, Aden. Nay - none.

Open forum:

- We have received notification that fees for grave opening and closing will increase \$25 to \$350 and to \$175 for cremation openings.

Whiting moved, Strauser seconded, to pass and approve Ordinance #853 regarding liquor licenses on third and final reading. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Aden, Strauser, Whiting. Nay - none.

Review / award bid for new loader was removed from the agenda and will be a February 16 discussion.

Kennedy moved, Aden seconded, to pass and approve Resolution 2010-3 allowing the sale of scrap wire. Bids will be received February 12 at 2:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Whiting, Strauser, Aden. Nay - none.

Six bids were received for the Police Department renovation project:

Paulsen, Inc	119,800
Dowhower Construction	142,500
Hilbers Construction	149,900
Simon Contractors	149,900
Schlake Construction	150,515
TL Sund Constructors	159,900

There is \$120,000 budgeted for the project. We will be over budget considering the architectural and electrical costs. There will be a pre-construction conference on Wednesday morning.

Aden moved, Kennedy seconded, to accept the bid from Paulsen Inc for the renovation project. Roll call vote: Yea - Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy, Aden. Nay - none.

Whiting moved, Strauser seconded, allowing payment of \$7500 to Schlake Construction through the downtown revitalization project. Roll call vote: Yea - Aden, Kennedy, Strauser, Whiting. Nay - none.

Administrator Clymer also reported that downtown projects have used \$200,000 of the grant funds, leaving \$40,000. There are still two or three applications to be returned.

Aden moved, Whiting seconded, approving the Mayor's recommended committee and personnel appointments:

Board of Adjustment:	Tom Shea (P & Z representative)	
Cemetery Board:	Jerry Jobman	Keith Block
Housing Authority:	Victoria Haverland	
Library Board:	Dennis Van Overbeke	
Planning & Zoning Commission	Monty Schriver	Louis Bovitz
	Eppie Sisneros	Tom Shea
Recreation Committee:	Craig Haake	Curtis Ostendorf
Community Redevelopment Authority:	Dean Kugler	
Tree Board:	Dan Frerichs	Kim Slack
	Nate Baker	Sally Dalrymple

Personnel Appointments

City Attorney	Mike Bacon	
City Prosecutor	Willard Weinhold	
City Clerk / Treasurer	Connie L Dalrymple	
Police Chief	Randy Olson	
Police Sgt	Matthew Langley	
Police Officers	Ryan Randolph	Joe Humphrey
	Dustin Cullen	Jill Ostergard
Fire Chief	Mark Ballmer	
Electrical Inspector	Mike Libich	
Building Inspector	Doug Swanson	
Back-up	Shane Gruber	

City Physician
Municipal Engineer

Dr. Craig Bartruff
Miller & Assoc

Fire Dept Roster

Ron Alexander	Brock Anderson	Allen Ballmer	Mark Ballmer
Dennis Bihlmaier	Chris Brede	Shane Butterfield	Dan Butterfield
Justin Carlson	Eric Coulter	Richard Crown	Dustin Cullen
Adam Finke	Craig Franzen	Dale Franzen	Larry Franzen
Lyle Franzen	Troy Franzen	Justin Geiken	Wade Geiken
James Hecox	John Hecox	Jon Hudson	Joe Keiser
Kent Kline	Dan Meisinger	Phillip Miller	Travis Miller
Troy Munster	Mark Ostergard	Mike Ostergard	Robb Ostergard
Aaron Pelzer	Koby Rickertson	Christopher Scott	Chad Stull
Casey Russman	Walter Trimble	Garland Underwood	Lane Van Natta
Jason Wagner	Michael Wagner	Dan Walker	Keith Williamson

Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Strauser, Whiting, Aden. Nay - none

Strauser moved, Whiting seconded, approving Drawdown #9 of \$5796 on the 22nd and 23rd Street Improvements and the payment of funds on the project. Roll call vote: Yea - Aden, Kennedy, Whiting, Strauser. Nay - none.

Council received copies of the final codification of municipal codes, including zoning and subdivision regulations. We will receive semi-annual updates. Administrator Clymer proposed that the books be left in Council Chambers instead of checked out to individual council members. They will then be available for the Planning & Zoning Commission and others to use as needed. The code will also be on-line for reference away from the office.

Kennedy moved, Aden seconded, introduction of Ordinance 854, code codification. Roll call vote: Yea - Whiting, Strauser, Aden, Kennedy. Nay - none.

Aden moved, Kennedy seconded, approving Drawdown #7 on 08-HO-3074, owner occupied rehab, of \$30,203 and payment to West Central NE Development District. Roll call vote: Yea - Whiting, Strauser, Kennedy, Aden. Nay - none.

A certified letter was sent to the owners of the property at 1514 Avenue A regarding a large sign painted on the fence and a shed in the back yard. The notice gave them 30 days to remove the sign and shed or get permits. The letter has returned unclaimed. Since then, they have also painted signage and erected a large sign on the roof of the home.

According to Atty. Bacon the next step is to file a court action to enforce compliance with municipal codes. The Sheriff will serve the notice that should include all apparent code violations.

Brief discussion was had and a motion made by Kennedy, seconded by Whiting, directing the City Attorney to take the necessary action to have court papers served on the property at 1514 Avenue A. Roll call vote: Yea - Aden, Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy. Nay - none.

Aden moved, Kennedy seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea - .Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy, Aden. Nay - none. The next regular meeting will be February 16, 2010.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor

Connie L. Dalrymple, City Clerk