

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – Monday, September 9, 2019

The Cambridge City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following council members present: McBreen, Todd, Mayor Kovarik, Thom, Pelz, Macki. Absent: None. Visitors: Drew Kamp, Don Seymour, Jay Robinson, Joe Marchesano, Wendy Dubberke.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kovarik at 7:00 p.m. He led the council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Kovarik asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the August 12th meeting. 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 Chamber of Commerce, addressing the council in support of Manufacturing Day and to asked the council to support a resolution proclaiming October 4th as Manufacturing Day. He also discussed the upcoming Story County Economic Development Leaders Summit in Nevada on September 20th. Thom reported that he would be attending. McBreen also expressed an interest in attending. Mayor Kovarik asked to suspend the regular order to take action on Resolution No. 19-15, "2019 Manufacturing Day Resolution". A motion by Thom, seconded by Macki, to approve the proclamation. Roll Call: Ayes: Macki, McBreen, Pelz, Thom, Todd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Jay Robinson, Library Director, and Wendy Dubberke, Library Board President, addressed the council with an update on library activities. They discussed continuing activities-children's programs and the Friday sewing group, and new activities-movies, discussions with local authors, Saturday coffee club and device advice. Robinson reported that they are promoting these programs more and working to update the library's collection of books and DVD's. He proposed hiring an individual, potentially a student in early childhood education, to lead the Wednesday morning pre-school program. He proposed exchanging 2 hours of his time for 3 hours of new hire time at a rate of \$10.00/hour. This assistant would be devoting all of their time and energy to the program, expanding the scope of the activity. After discussion, a motion by Macki, seconded by Thom, to approve the hiring of an assistant, contingent on finding the appropriate individual. Roll Call: All Ayes. Dubberke reported that the Library Board has been very pleased with the new library director.

Don Seymour, FEH Design, addressed the council with preliminary plans for the rehab of the former American Legion Building, 222 Water Street. He and the council reviewed the floor and exterior plans, and talked about the budget and schedule for the project. The council agreed to review the exterior options and make a decision in October on those.

Following is a summary of receipts for August: General Fund, \$8,649.24; Road Use Tax, \$11,950.38; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$1.07; Library Fund, \$1.99; Garbage Utility, \$7,373.03; Water Utility, \$12,463.47; Sewer Utility, \$8,809.82. Total Receipts: \$49,249.00.

Following is a summary of disbursements for August: General Fund, \$20,383.26; Road Use Tax, \$2,453.86; C.U.T. Fire Fund, \$805.08; Library Fund, \$1,350.04; Garbage Utility, \$6,415.19; Water Utility, \$3,574.28; Sewer Utility, \$18,291.83. Total Disbursements: \$53,273.54.

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

AG SOURCE	Analysis	787.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	Monthly Service	5,693.46
AMES OUTDOOR SUPPLY	Parts	49.79
ANKENY SANITATION	Service-August	6,609.87
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	Parts	287.98
BAKER & TAYLOR	Books, DVD's	699.95
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	Curb Box, Supplies	119.54
CENTRAL TANK COATINGS	Tower Contract	5,600.00
EFTPS	Fed. & FICA W/H	4,055.83
EXECUTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	Copier Rental	135.40
GATEHOUSE MEDIA IOWA	Publishing	290.41
GLOEDE, JACKIE	Utility Deposit Refund	80.00
HACH	Testing Supplies	259.78
HAWKINS, INC.	Water Treatment	299.70
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	Monthly Service	426.26
INTERSTATE BATTERIES OF UPPER IOWA	Batteries	59.80
IOWA ONE CALL	Service	22.50
IOWA PUMP WORKS	Supplies	73.40
I P E R S	Retirement	2,434.35
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Supplies	153.05
KEMPKER'S TRUE VALUE	Supplies	76.29
MARC	Chemical	469.96
MENARDS	Supplies	1,014.42
MOLLY MAID OF ANKENY	Cleaning Services	480.00
MOODY ELECTRIC, INC.	Repair	331.44
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY	Meters	960.00
OVERDRIVE, INC.	Bridges Subscription	363.05
ROBERTS, TRACEY	Clean Comm. Center	100.00
STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA	Subscription	74.62
STORY COUNTY TREASURER	Taxes	1,154.00
ULINE	Mat, Mop Heads	297.67
U.S. CELLULAR	Monthly Service	72.52
U.S. POSTMASTER	Billing Postage	105.00
VISA	Supplies	16.02
WAGES	Net Wages	8,615.84
WELLMARK BC/BS	Health Premium	<u>4,081.61</u>

TOTAL CLAIMS

\$46,351.01

After discussion, a motion by Thom, seconded by Macki, 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 the council discussing a derelict property in the city and the process for abatement. The council also discussed an issue with a business property, the availability of a lot in the Industrial Park, street maintenance, and 222 Water Street. McBreen reported that she had submitted a grant to the Story County Community Foundation for a handicapped accessible front door for the City Center.

The first item under old business concerned the Wastewater Treatment System Project. The clerk reported that an email from the IDNR indicated that they were still working on determining the scope of our project.

The last item concerned upcoming city elections. The clerk indicated that the deadline for filing candidate nomination papers is Thursday, September 19th at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. The election will be held Tuesday, November 5th.

An application for a liquor license from the Whimsical Wine Trailer for the UMW Vendor Fair has been received. The date of the event is Saturday, November 23rd. A motion by Todd, seconded by Thom, to approve the application. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The next item under new business was the 2019 Legislative Summary prepared by Iowa Codification. Thom will review the new and amended laws and make a recommendation to the council.

The last item under new business was a request from the Sun Dian-Solomon Dean Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution to declare September 17th as Constitution Day and the week of September 17-23 as Constitution Week. Mayor Kovarik issued the proclamation.

Resolution No. 19-14, "Resolution Approving 28E Agreement for Mutual Assistance for Story County Fire Department Services", was presented to the council. A motion by Macki, seconded by Todd, was made to approve the resolution. Roll Call: Ayes: Macki, McBreen, Pelz, Thom, Todd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 19-16, "19th Amendment Centennial Commemoration Resolution", was presented to the council. A motion by Todd, seconded by McBreen, was made to approve the resolution celebrating the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to

Page 4 – Monday, September 9, 2019

the Constitution providing women the right to vote. Roll Call: Ayes: Macki, McBreen, Pelz, Thom, Todd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor/Council comments were asked for with the council discussing property zoning, fireworks, and law enforcement matters.

A motion by Macki, seconded by Thom, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Debra L. Thompson, City Clerk

Steven P. Kovarik, Mayor