
NEVADA CITY COUNCIL - MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2014 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

The City Council of the City of Nevada, Iowa, met for a regular meeting in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 1209 6th Street, Nevada, Iowa. Mayor Lynn Lathrop, convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 27, 2014, pursuant to the rules of the Council. The agenda was posted on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open meeting law.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called indicating the following named Council Members present and absent. Present: Chris Clark, Brian Hanson, Jane Heintz, Andrew Kelly and Ray Schwichtenberg. Absent: Jim Walker. Jim Walker arrived at 6:10 p.m.

Staff Present: Elizabeth Hansen, Kerin Wright, Erin Clanton, Tim Hansen, Ray Reynolds, Ric Martinez, Dustin DeMarest and Shawn Cole.

Also in attendance were: Marlys Barker, Cali and Mike Smith, Rhonda Appelgate, Lynn Stevens, Kay Fleshman, Michael Fleshman, Mary Ann Fleshman, Nathan Hardy, Jeanine Pfantz, Rod Pfantz, Donna Bailey, Jody Pratt, Vickie Wirth, Greg Lauritzen, LeAnn Purdy, Mandy Schrank, Alex Peebles, Janet Jacques, Valerie Goethals, S. Erickson, Deb Harrison, Marilyn Smith, Norma Elliott, Mitzi Alexander, Sandy Clark, Dave Gibbs, Lisa Andresen and James Stevens.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Brian Hanson, seconded by Andrew Kelly, to **approve the agenda**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Hanson, Kelly, Schwichtenberg, Clark and Heintz. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ray Schwichtenberg, seconded by Brian Hanson, to **approve the following consent agenda items**:

A. Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 13, 2014

B. Approve Payment of Cash Disbursements, including Check numbers 61374-61465 (Inclusive) Totaling \$1,025,009.26 (See attached list)

After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Schwichtenberg, Hanson, Heintz, Kelly and Clark. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

5. PUBLIC FORUM

Greg Lauritzen addressed the council regarding the 2013 Street Improvement project, specifically landscaping near his residence at 303 K Avenue. The matter will be looked into.

Mandy Schrank spoke to the council regarding her encounters with the police department. She feels everyone should be treated with respect.

LeAnn Purdy reported her son's incident with the police department and felt they were harassing him.

Jim Walker arrived at 6:10 p.m.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- A. New Well #9/Lime Lagoon Discharge Project, C.L. Carroll Co
1. Approve Pay Request No. 5 in the amount of \$60,800.00

Motion by Andrew Kelly, seconded by Jane Heintz, to **approve Pay Request No. 5 for the New Well #9/Lime Lagoon Discharge Project to C.L. Carroll in the amount of \$60,800.00.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Kelly, Heintz, Schwichtenberg, Walker, Clark and Hanson. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

2. Approve Pay Request No. 6 in the amount of \$79,800.00

Motion by Jim Walker, seconded by Brian Hanson, to **approve Pay Request No. 6 for the New Well #9/Lim Lagoon Discharge Project to C.L. Carroll in the amount of \$79,800.00.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Walker, Hanson, Heintz, Kelly, Schwichtenberg, and Clark. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Follow-up on matter of Cali Smith

Motion by Ray Schwichtenberg, seconded by Brian Hanson, to **approve Referring the matter of Cali Smith to the City Administrator for investigation and report with options and a recommendation which will be brought back as an agenda item at a later date.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Schwichtenberg, Hanson, Heintz, Walker and Clark. Nay: Kelly. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approve Purchase of a Utility Vehicle for Parks and Recreation Department

Motion by Ray Schwichtenberg, seconded by Chris Clark, to **approve the purchase of a Utility Vehicle for Parks and Recreation Department from Van Wall at a cost of \$11,600.00.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Schwichtenberg, Clark, Hanson, Heintz, Kelly and Walker. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Follow-up on waiving the Blue Card Notification Fee on a Utility Bill.

Motion by Brian Hanson, seconded by Chris Clark, to **Not waive the Blue Card Notification Fee of \$20.00.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Hanson, Clark, Heintz, Kelly, Schwichtenberg and Walker. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

8. REPORTS

Ray Schwichtenberg and Jim Walker reported on the NEDC meeting.

Jane Heintz and Lynn Lathrop reported on the Community Leadership Committee Meeting. The committee will be looking at updating the 20/20 Plan and bringing all those necessary to the table for discussion.

Elizabeth Hansen

- * Community Betterment Committee will meet Wednesday, November 5 to get an update on the City Hall Campus project, look for funding sources and discuss the education plan.
- * Public Safety Director Martinez is scheduling tours at DuPont on Wednesday, November 5 at 10:00 a.m. if anyone would like to attend. Ray Schwichtenberg and Lynn Lathrop would like to attend. There will probably be other times scheduled.
- * Employee insurance will be changing to Wellmark. Three plans were offered for employees to choose which one fits their needs best.
- * The next joint City/School meeting will be held Monday, November 3 at City Hall at 6:30 p.m.
- * The Chamber of Commerce event for Tuesday, October 28, Stop by and Say Hi, has been cancelled.

John Arnold, Midwest Insurance, spoke to the council regarding the options for the city employee health insurance.

Tim Hansen reported to council regarding the beavers. They are not on city property. He would like direction from council how involved the city should get with the beavers. Staff is watching a couple different areas where the beavers are active. Hansen included in his memo history on the trail maintenance program. The issue at the Aquatic Center has been found; there were bad expansion joints. They have been repaired. Hansen is working on a proposal for using a dog that is specially trained for geese control. They have gotten out of hand at SCORE and they are looking at ways to resolve the issue. This will be brought back to the council at a later date. Hansen thanked Ray Reynolds for his help with a scheduled prairie burn this fall.

Shawn Cole reported the projects are finishing up. The Sidewalk program is slowly progressing. P&Z will meet in November to discuss the 7th Day Adventist sign request. Work is being done on the clinic and Rolling Green signs. Also rezoning is being discussed. Cole will double check on the Lauritzen issue with the Street Project.

Ray Reynolds reported on a county-wide technical rescue organization to assist when there are areas out of the scope for normal rescue operations. Firefighter training will be easier in the future with an instructor within the fire department. Previously there was a minimum attendance to hold training and that will no longer be necessary. Reynolds reported the new fire hose is set to be delivered this week. The police and fire department will be handing out Halloween bags to all elementary students on Wednesday, October 29. They are also looking into a burn at the water plant and well field. It must be coordinated with the county conservation. Reynolds advised he came to Nevada because of Director Martinez.

Ric Martinez advised DeMarest and Springer are waiting to attend the EMT training in April. Unfortunately this is the same time as the Firefighter I Class. He is scheduling tours with

DuPont if anyone is interested. He wants all police and fire to become familiar with the layout there. Martinez gave credit to Reynolds for the fire hydrant painting. The little things make a difference.

Kerin Wright advised reports are being sent to Dorsey and Whitney for the MCDC Initiative. She is also working with the auditors to finish the audit. The annual financial report and TIF reports are due by December 1 and those are being completed.

Erin Clanton inquired of the council what topics of concern they had. It was suggested to continue to review the standard operating procedures. Discuss the open and closed meetings laws again.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, motion by Brian Hanson, seconded by Chris Clark, to **adjourn the meeting**. Following voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried at 8:11 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Lynn Lathrop, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kerin Wright, City Clerk

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