

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 29, 2007

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 29th day of November, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers, Vinton, Iowa. Mayor Watson presided and the roll being called the following Council Members were present and absent: Present: Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger. Absent: Vermedahl.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Elwick, second by Maynard to approve the minutes of the November 8th meeting. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Council received a request from ISU Extension and Nelson Furniture to consider one parking space for a loading zone for their businesses. This request was referred to the Public Works Committee, which will meet on December 13th at 6:45 p.m. to discuss this topic.

Redlinger reported that the Trails Committee had met and plans to meet again in January to design or review preliminary drafts of a trail map.

Motion by Burkey, second by Hessenius to approve the agenda. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Watson welcomed Keith Schmitz, new Urbana mayor, to the Council meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lane, 714 E 5th Street, asked Council to check on a neighbor with an external wood burner. The fumes from this wood burner drift into the Lane home. The Mayor and Council will contact the burner owner and request a ten foot smoke stack extension. Mr. Lane also inquired about the use of nearby alleys and boat parking on streets.

Motion by Burkey, second by Maynard to pass a RESOLUTION TO SET A HEARING AND GIVE NOTICE ON A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP (Independent Child Advocacy Services). Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 11-07-05 passed and approved. The public hearing will be held on December 13th at 7:00 p.m..

Motion by Redlinger, second by Hessenius to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Lisa Vermedahl and Janet Sanders to the Housing Board, each for a two year term. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Redlinger to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Joe Wood Jr. to the Building & Housing Board of Appeals, for a four year term. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Elwick, second by Hessenius to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Richard Farmer to the Board of Adjustments & Appeal, for a five year term. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Redlinger to approve the reappointment of John A. Anderson to the Airport Zoning Commission, for a six year term. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Maynard, second by Redlinger to receive and file the following meeting minutes: Library Board 9-11-07 and 10-09-07, Parks & Recreation Board 11-08-07, Airport Commission 11-14-07 and Planning & Zoning Commission 11-2-07. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor reported he is looking for more board and commission members, to be appointed next month.

Coordinator Lent reported that he has started working on the next fiscal year budget.

Good & Welfare: Vinton-Shellsburg wrestlers won their dual meet against Union. The Electric Utility Trustees will be judging the holiday lights on December 11th.

Council had a brief discussion on properties they would like to see cleaned up.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 7:35 p.m..

John R. Watson Mayor

Attest: _____
Cindy Michael City Clerk