

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2007

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 13th day of September, 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, Vermedahl. Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Elwick, second by Redlinger to approve the minutes of the August 23rd meeting. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Redlinger, second by Vermedahl to approve the following invoices in the amount of \$810,107.74, excluding investments. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Council received letter in reference to Halloween Trick-or-Treat time. This will be discussed at a later date. IDOT informed Council of an upcoming hot mix asphalt and crack sealing project located on IA 150 from the junction with US 218 northerly to 4th Street in Vinton. Vinton Unlimited asked Council to consider additional Christmas lighting to help promote Vinton as a winter destination. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Vermedahl reported that in January the Housing Board had approved selling another lot in Maple Lane Subdivision to RB Homes. Tami Stark, Vinton Unlimited, reported on planning meetings for BoomTown on September 22nd.

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

Zach Hyland and Cody Robertson, high school seniors, asked permission to white wash one block on 4th Street, from 1st Avenue to A Avenue. Teachers and chaperones will be present. They want to do this on Wednesday, Sept. 26th from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Motion by Burkey, second by Hessenius to approve this request. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Redlinger inquired about possible improvements to the B level road south of the new high school. Council will discuss this at their next meeting.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE 21ST STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, RATHJE CONSTRUCTION. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION

09-07-01 passed and approved. The additional cost of \$2,850.53 is for the redesign of the storm sewer system.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #2 TO THE 21ST STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, RATHJE CONSTRUCTION. Question: Ayes - None. Nays - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. The Mayor declared the motion failed. Coordinator Lent will ask the engineer to come to the next meeting. This change order deals with the C Avenue median surveying error.

Motion by Maynard, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A TIF PROJECT IN THE SE TIF DISTRICT FOR SEWER IMPROVEMENTS ON 14TH AVENUE. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-07-02 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to pass a RESOLUTION TO AMEND ESTABLISHED TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES PURSUANT TO THE CITY OF VINTON CODE OF ORDINANCES. Question: Ayes - None. Nays - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. The Mayor declared the motion failed. Concern was expressed about the stop signs on 2nd Avenue at 18th Street. Council would like to wait until after 21st Street opens, to see how school traffic flows on C and 2nd Avenues.

Council discussed the timing of the local option sales tax referendum. Coordinator Lent reported that he anticipates a special election date in January or February 2008.

Coordinator Lent has contacted Imperial Apartments and the Lutheran Home about placing stop signs exiting their properties onto 2nd Avenue. Council feels this should be at their expense and not the City's expense.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to pass a RESOLUTION TO SET HEARING AND GIVE NOTICE ON A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP (RUNDLETT). Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-07-03 passed and approved. The hearing is set for September 24th at 7:00 p.m..

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION PROPOSING DISPOSAL OF AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BY SALE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-07-04 passed and approved. The hearing will be held on September 24th at 7:00 p.m..

Motion by Elwick, second by Maynard to pass a RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR SKIDLOADER TRAILER. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger,

Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-07-05 passed and approved. The bid is awarded to Patten Equipment for \$4,597.00.

Motion by Burkey, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION FOR THE LOCAL MATCH FOR THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-07-06 passed and approved. This grant application is for a new downtown warning siren.

Motion by Elwick, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE FOR HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-07-07 passed and approved. Coordinator Lent is the designated representative.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to approve the renewal of a Class C liquor license with Sunday sales for Los Mariachis Restaurant. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to approve the renewal of a Class C beer permit with Sunday sales for Fast Stop. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Maynard to receive and file the August revenue and expenditure report. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Maynard, second by Hessenius to receive and file the following meeting minutes: Airport Commission 8-8-07, Parks & Recreation Board 8-9-07, Library Board 8-14-07 and Planning & Zoning Commission 9-11-07. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor approved the Street department helping with fencing for BoomTown and asked Council to do the same, which they did.

Coordinator Lent reported on: 1) IDOT mandate for piping and culvert on 21st Street. 2) 21st Street project update. 3) Daryn Salger, meter reader, has resigned. 4) The purchase of a new handheld meter reader device will be split with the electric utility. 5) FEMA has approved \$190,000 funding for a storm shelter. 6) Painting of the east water tower. 7) Teamsters Union 238 to start negotiations. 8) 514 W 14th Street uninhabitable, will try to gain title this property.

Council nomination paperwork needs to be turned in by September 20th.

Good & Welfare: Library Director, Virginia Holsten, reported that author Mildred Armstrong Kalish will be speaking at Tilford Elementary School on Sept. 18th at 7:00 p.m..

Motion by Burkey, second by Hessenius to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 21.5(1)(c), discussion of pending litigation. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried. Time: 8:45 p.m..

The Council came out of closed session. Time: 8:50 p.m..

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to contact the State Auditors to audit the Park and Recreation financial records. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:55 p.m..

John R. Watson Mayor

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Cindy Michael City Clerk