

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2008

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 14th day of August, 2008, 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, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Absent: Maynard.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Maynard arrived at 7:03 p.m..

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to approve the minutes of the July 24th meeting. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to approve the following invoices in the amount of \$757,493.76, excluding investments. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried. A vendor name will be corrected for tire repairs to John's Tires.

The Mayor stated that Years of Service Awards needed to be added to tonight's agenda. Motion by Hessenius, second by Vermedahl to approve the amended agenda. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Watson presented Years of Service Awards to Eric Dickinson 10 years, Jerry Staab 20 years and Dan Knaack 25 years. He thanked each of them for their work.

Laura Burkhow, 808 A Avenue, requested that a State of Iowa housing grant be forgiven. She stated she had lived there for four of the seven years required for the grant and needed to move for a new job. Motion by Elwick, second by Maynard to approve this request. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor announced that now was the time and place set to hold a public hearing on a proposed urban revitalization area, 122 E 4th Street. A question was asked about economic development and the Code of Iowa chapter 404. Mossman will be asked to attend the next meeting. The Mayor closed the hearing.

Motion by Maynard, second by Vermedahl to table a RESOLUTION OF FINDING TO A PROPOSED URBAN REVITALIZATION AREA (Mossman Law Firm) AND PLAN ADOPTION. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Redlinger to table an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VINTON, IOWA, BY DESIGNATING A NEW REVITALIZATION AREA (Mossman Law Firm). Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick,

Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to adopt an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VINTON, IOWA, BY DESIGNATING A NEW REVITALIZATION AREA (Rundlett). Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and that said ordinance had been given its second consideration.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Elwick to pass a RESOLUTION FOR FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2007 SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION AND MANHOLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-08-01 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to pass a RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR REPLACEMENT OF CONCRETE FOLLOWING N AVENUE SEWER REPAIRS. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-08-02 passed and approved. The bid is awarded to C & S Concrete Construction for \$30,445.00.

Coordinator Lent reviewed many projects dealing with the flood recovery. Some of the projects are N Avenue, the fire station, damaged homes and the old main lift station. September 12th is the deadline to submit a list of possible houses for FEMA's buyout program. Concern was expressed about getting building inspections done timely for those who are rehabbing their flooded properties.

Diane Ferguson, owner of 1009 F Avenue, requested a public hearing to discuss a nuisance abatement notice. The nuisance abatement stated that many of the mobile homes in this trailer park are dilapidated. Ferguson stated there has been some vandalism. She would like to rehab some of the homes and stated that the home on lot #11 will be removed. Motion by Elwick, second by Redlinger to set a deadline of October 1, 2008 for the removal of the mobile homes on the east side of this property and have new or like new ones replace them. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried. Mayor Watson may have contact names and phone numbers to assist her in this project.

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to adopt an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VINTON, IOWA, BY AMENDING SECTION 92.07 PERTAINING TO LIEN EXEMPTION FOR UTILITY PAYMENTS. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and that said ordinance had been given its initial passage.

Motion by Elwick, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR PURCHASE OF A TRUCK FOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor

declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-08-03 passed and approved. The bid is awarded to Junge Ford for \$16,160.00.

Motion by Redlinger, second by Hessenius to receive and file the July revenue and expenditure report. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

Motion by Hessenius, second by Redlinger to approve the renewal of a Class C beer license with Sunday sales for John's Qwik Stop. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to receive and file the Board of Adjustments meeting minutes of 07-23-08 and 08-11-08. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Coordinator Lent reported on: 1) Meeting with Crawford Engineering about the Hwy. 218 sewer extension. 2) School and City to send letters to IDOT withdrawing request for C Avenue and 13th Street school crossing. 3) Police department received a \$4,000 grant for digital video camera. 4) Demolition of 512 W 6th Street. 5) Iowa League of Cities fall conference Sept. 10th - 12th and running for an executive board member position.

City Hall has received inquiries about fall clean up days. The general consensus from Council was there will be no clean up days this fall.

Good & Welfare: Nice AmeriCorps NCCC induction ceremony and the Vietnam Memorial Wall is at the high school.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 9:15 p.m..

John R. Watson Mayor

Attest: _____
Cindy Michael City Clerk