

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 24, 2008

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 24th day of July, 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, Maynard. Absent: Redlinger, Vermedahl.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Watson presented Years of Service Awards to Mark Smith 25 years, Janice Peterman 15 years and Sharon Rhinehart 10 years. He thanked each of them for their work.

The July 10th Council minutes should state that the public hearing for the urban revitalization tax exemptions for the Mossman Law Firm will be held on August 14th. Motion by Burkey, second by Elwick to approve the corrected minutes of the July 10th meeting. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Maynard reported phone calls stating that short notice was given for the informational flood meeting.

Maynard reported that the Vinton Community Foundation had met. Flood Relief funds are available. Applications are available at City Hall. The Vinton Ministerial Association is administering the flood relief funds.

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

Joe Schott inquired about the roll-off dumpsters. Coordinator Lent stated most of them have been removed and will not be returning. Property owners will need to haul their own debris to the landfill.

The Mayor announced that now was the time and place set to hold a public hearing on a proposed urban revitalization area for 408 North M Avenue. Robert Rundlett is planning to build a new warehouse. The Mayor closed the hearing.

Motion by Elwick, second by Maynard to pass a RESOLUTION OF FINDING TO A PROPOSED URBAN REVITALIZATION AREA (RUNDLETT) AND PLAN ADOPTION. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 07-08-05 passed and approved.

Motion by Burkey, second by Hessenius 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.

Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared that the ordinance had been given its initial passage.

The Mayor announced that now was the time and place set to hold a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the official zoning district map. The proposal would change 202 North 8th Avenue from R-1 single family residential to R-3 multi-family residential. The Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended against approval of this rezoning. The Mayor closed the hearing.

Motion by Burkey, second by Elwick to adopt an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VINTON, IOWA, BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY (202 North 8th Avenue). Question: Ayes - None. Nays - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard. The Mayor declared the motion failed.

Council discussed whether the City would continue hiring and supervising the school crossing guard. Chief Tilson has stated that most of the cities he has contacted that the schools hire the crossing guard. The general consensus was to continue having City hire and supervise the crossing guard for this fiscal year. Council gave direction to Lent to inform the school that they would be taking over this position next year.

Flood and FEMA issues were discussed. Flood victims need to call Coordinator Lent with any questions about rebuilding or the buy out program.

Motion by Maynard, second by Hessenius to pass a RESOLUTION TO AMEND ESTABLISHED TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES PURSUANT TO THE CITY OF VINTON CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO LOADING ZONES. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Hessenius, Maynard. Nays - Elwick. The Mayor declared the motion failed. Elwick stated he misunderstood that this resolution was shifting a loading zone to the north along Nick's TV & Appliance.

Motion by Maynard, second by Burkey to reconsider the last resolution. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

Motion by Burkey, second by Elwick to receive and file the 2007-2008 investment report. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Maynard, second by Elwick to approve the disbursement of budgeted funds, \$5,357, to HACAP. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Elwick, second by Hessenius to approve the Mayor's appointment of Stuart Overton to the vacant Parks & Recreation Board position. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Hessenius to approve the renewals of Class C beer permits with Sunday sales for Ehlinger's and Alco. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Elwick to approve the renewal of a Class C liquor license with Sunday sales for Berry's Lanes. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Maynard to approve the Pigman Triathlon route on August 17th. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Elwick, second by Hessenius to receive and file the following meeting minutes: Airport Commission 06-11-08 and 07-09-08 and Parks & Recreation Board 07-10-08. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Coordinator Lent reported on: 1) Hearing on 514 W 14th Street is August 22nd. 2) Continuation of the sewer backup case. 3) 602 8th Avenue. 4) Strategic planning session August 7th. 5) Vietnam traveling wall here on August 14th. 6) AmeriCorps Inaugural Induction Ceremony is August 11th.

Burkey left the meeting at 7:55 p.m..

Good & Welfare: Benton County Fair is underway. AmeriCorps members are here.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:00 p.m..

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John R. Watson      Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cindy Michael      City Clerk