

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25, 2008

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 25th day of September, 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, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Maynard, second by Redlinger to approve the minutes of the September 11th meeting. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Burkey reported that the General Government and Economic Development Committee met prior to Council tonight. They discussed an incentive using TIF funding for a possible new hotel. This committee will discuss this again at a meeting on October 9th at 6:15 p.m..

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to approve the agenda. Question: Ayes - All. 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 Hwy. 218 sanitary sewer extension project. The extension would run between Alco and the First Christian Church. The Mayor closed the hearing.

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATED COST FOR THE HIGHWAY 218 SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-08-02 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR HIGHWAY 218 SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-08-03 passed and approved. The bid is awarded to Tschiggfrie Excavating for \$34,616.16.

Motion by Redlinger, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR 2008 RUNWAY REHABILITATION PROJECT AT VINTON VETERANS MEMORIAL AIRPORT. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-08-04 passed and approved. This resolution adds \$2,337.00 for signage.

Motion by Redlinger, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE CITY OF VINTON GOAL SETTING REPORT OF AUGUST 7, 2008. Question: Ayes - Burkey,

Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 09-08-05 passed and approved.

Motion by Burkey, second by Hessenius to receive and file the State Auditor's special investigation report of Vinton's Park and Recreation Department. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Redlinger, second by Hessenius to approve revised auditing fees for Hogan-Hansen, due to the Single Audit requirement for the expenditure of over \$500,000 federal grant funds. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Council discussed the animal pound operations with Stephanie Black, State of Iowa livestock inspector, many Friends of the Shelter members, two AmeriCorps members and veterinary Dr. Corbett. The facility is a cement block building and ventilation is not good. Smoking is not allowed in this building. Council asked the "Friends" to prepare a list of building improvements and cost estimates and come again to the next council meeting. Council would like to discuss with the County funding for the pound operations and possibly leasing the building to the Friends of the Shelter. The Mayor thanked them for all their work with the animals.

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

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

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to approve the request to block 2nd Avenue from 4th Street south to the alley, October 17th for Mossman Law Firm's 100th anniversary. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to receive and file the following meeting minutes: Board of Adjustments and Appeal 09-10-08 and Airport Commission 09-10-08. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Steve Hite, Hite Realty, stated that Phil Barkdoll would not be acquiring the Biram house, but that Cory McKibben is interested in this property. Council asked Attorney Fischer to seek a continuance for this property at the hearing tomorrow.

Coordinator reported on: 1) 602 8th Avenue has been sold and 409 E 2nd Street will be demolished. 2) Application for hazard mitigation plan. 3) High school students painted the high school driveways and not 21st Street. 4) L.Henkle resigned from street department. We will be posting for that position. 5) Flood insurance coverage required for the fire station, power plant and line shop. 6) Working on flooded houses demolition process. 7) Working on urban revitalization plan. 8) Closed session, pending litigation, for next council meeting. 9) H.R.Green not agreeable to sharing expense of last storm shelter change order.

Clerk reported: Airport runway project is done. Short runway is open to traffic. IDOT has moved 8th Avenue railroad crossing repairs to 2009. AmeriCorps open house October 9th. Melissa Roster will not be buying a Maple Lane lot as planned.

Good & Welfare: The Flood Party was great. And, so was Boomtown. FEMA will be repairing the ambulance garage. Veterans Memorial Park dedication Sunday at 2:00 p.m.. The library has new landscaping.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:50 p.m..

John R. Watson Mayor

Attest: _____
Cindy Michael City Clerk