

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 27, 2009

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 27th day of August, 2009, 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, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Absent: Hessenius.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to approve the minutes of the August 13th meeting. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Redlinger reported that the public works committee would meet after tonight's council meeting to consider a request from the Bethlehem Lutheran Church for a handicap parking space along West 12th Street.

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

Julie Harmon, a county resident, was not present to discuss a complaint about the animal shelter.

Joel and Anna Sallee, 1102 D Avenue, reported storm water drainage problems by their house. Council will have Street Superintendent Erickson look at this and make a recommendation.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to adopt an ORDINANCE DESIGNATING AN AREA OF VINTON, IOWA AS THE VINTON URBAN REVITALIZATION AREA. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and that said ordinance had been given its third consideration.

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to now adopt the above stated ordinance. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared ORDINANCE 973 duly adopted.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to adopt an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VINTON, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and that said ordinance had been given its second consideration.

Motion by Elwick, second by Redlinger to adopt an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VINTON, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO AIRPORT COMMISSION. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and that said ordinance had been given its second consideration.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WEST 11TH STREET EXTENSION PROJECT. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-09-11 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM FOR THE MAPLE LANE STORM SHELTER. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-09-12 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM MATCH. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-09-13 passed and approved. This is for the 15% match for the flood property acquisition program.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Burkey to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT WITH HART-FREDERICK CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR MORTGAGE SURVEY SERVICES. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-09-14 passed and approved.

Council discussed bids for HMGP legal services for the flooded property acquisitions. City Attorney Robert Fischer asked Council to consider having him perform the title opinions and Attorney Mark Mossman perform the closing agent services. FEMA required the City to obtain bids. The bids have been received. Council did not want to delay the process of flooded property acquisitions.

Motion by Elwick, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT WITH MOSSMAN & MOSSMAN, LLP FOR LEGAL AND CLOSING SERVICES. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-09-15 passed and approved.

Motion by Redlinger, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR HMGP FUNDS AND DECLARING AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-09-16 passed and approved. VMEU General Manager Rick Ohrt is the authorized representative for the development of the a flood wall project.

VMEU General Manager Rick Ohrt explained a possible purchase of land for a new substation at the south end of town. They are looking at ground owned by Roger Wenner. He asked

Council to approve the purchase of said land. Motion by Burkey, second by Elwick to approve VMEU's purchase of this land. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Council discussed holding Fall Clean Up Days this year. This was skipped last year due to the flood. Motion by Maynard, second by Vermedahl to hold Fall Clean Up Days on October 3rd and 4th. A \$5 entrance fee will be charged, plus appropriate appliance and electronic fees. No construction materials will be allowed. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Elwick, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE OFFICIAL 2009 FISCAL YEAR STREET FINANCE REPORT. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 08-09-17 passed and approved.

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to approve an application from Jason Cox, 1701 West D Street, for tax abatement under urban revitalization plan for City of Vinton, Iowa. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to approve a permit for supervised display of fireworks for Iowa Pyrotechnic Association at the Benton County Fairgrounds on September 25th and 26th. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl to receive and file the following meeting minutes: Airport Commission 08-12-09. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Coordinator Lent reported on: 1) DW Zinser is scheduled to demolish house on W 6th Street on Monday. 2) Tschiggfrie to repair Alco driveway. Tschiggfrie will need to get approval from Alco. 3) W 13th Street was recently seal coated. 4) All the rain is causing problems of storm water getting into the sanitary sewer system. Will need to budget and develop a schedule to televise a portion of the sewer lines each year, to detect problem areas. Also, need to check manholes. A storm water utility could be added to utility billing. 5) 9th Street reconstruction is scheduled to start August 31st. 6) Still need grass to be seeded at the Maple Lane Storm Shelter.

The City of Urbana contributed \$1,000 to the brush dump for expenses associated with the June wind storm. The Clerk reported on banking services responses. A General Government Committee meeting will be held on Sept. 10th at 6:30 p.m..

Good & Welfare: The Library has again been accredited by the State, as it has been for over 10 years. Boom Town will be held again the last weekend in September.

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

John R. Watson Mayor

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Cindy Michael City Clerk