

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 10, 2010

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 10th day of June, 2010, 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 Vermedahl to approve the minutes of the May 27th and June 1st meetings. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to approve the following invoices in the amount of \$1,258,706.28, excluding investments. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Police Chief Tilson sent a letter to the Mayor and Council encouraging the use of E-85 fuel because of the potential fuel cost savings. At the present time, there are no E-85 fuel pumps in Vinton.

Motion by Redlinger, second by Elwick 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 proposal to amend zoning regulations pertaining to home occupation. Coordinator Lent explained that home occupations currently are a conditional use in R-1 and permitted use in R-2 and R-3. The proposed change would make home occupations a conditional use in all residential districts. The Mayor closed the hearing.

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 ZONING REGULATIONS OF RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS. 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.

The Mayor announced that now was the time and place set to hold a public hearing on a proposal to amend the zoning district map. The proposal is to change Lot 2, Wenner's Third Addition from R-1, single family residential, to B-1, commercial. 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. 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 waive the second and third readings of the above stated ordinance. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger. Nays - Vermedahl. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Elwick to now adopt the above stated ordinance. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared ORDINANCE 981 duly adopted.

Mike Elwick encouraged Council to not replace the downtown trees at this time. The trees are dying. Jeff Schadle stated that there are smaller, more decorative trees that could be planted downtown. Elwick stated that he and a local group of merchants would pay for mulch and damage caused by the trees to the electrical conduit for the street lights. Council's general consensus was to accept Elwick's offer, but one tree in front of Cedar River Ink may have to be removed. Council will look at the trees after tonight's meeting. Street Superintendent, Rick Erickson, wanted it stated for the record, that Mike Barnes was the one who planted the Maple in front of the Barnes Furniture Store and that any damage to their foundation should be their responsibility. Council agreed with this.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR REMOVAL OF DEBRIS FROM PROPERTY LOCATED AT 617 WEST 4TH STREET AND A GARAGE AT 201 WEST 2ND STREET. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 06-10-01 passed and approved. The bid is awarded to J & L Construction for \$7,300.00.

Motion by Elwick, second by Maynard to approve an application for tax abatement under urban revitalization plan for the City of Vinton, Iowa. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried. Rich Hainstock will be remodeling 421 and 423 1st Avenue.

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

Motion by Hessenius, second by Elwick to approve the renewal of cigarette/tobacco permits for Roy's Hometown Grocery and Fast Stop. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

Motion by Hessenius, second by Redlinger to approve the addition of an Outdoor Service for Mickey's Bar, a Class C liquor license, on July 10th to 11th. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to approve a new Class B Native wine permit, with Sunday sales, for LaGrange Pharmacy. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Coordinator Lent reported on: 1) IMWCA denied giving the City a bid on workcomp due to modification factor history. 2) New hotel grand opening June 30th. 3) Eastview Estates Third Addition final plat. 4) Working with Hart-Frederick to improve W 13th Street and will be applying for a RISE grant. 5) Pre construction meeting for 10th Street project on Tuesday, June 15th. Project should start by July 1st. 6) Some vacation days next week.

There will be a NEIRL meeting June 28th in Oelwein. The Iowa League of Cities conference is September 22nd to 24th in Coralville.

Due to Party in the Park activities, the Council meeting on June 24th will start at 7:30 p.m..

Good & Welfare: A contribution was made to the Parks & Recreation department for a pavilion from the Bennett Fischer Memorial.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:20 p.m..

John R. Watson Mayor

Attest: _____
Cindy Michael City Clerk