

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 11, 2010

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 11th day of March, 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, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Absent: Maynard.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Vermedahl to approve the minutes of the February 25th 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 \$422,647.64, excluding investments. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

Dan Engledow, Benton County Speedway, requested to block 1st Avenue from 4th to 5th Street on Sunday, March 28th for a race car show. Motion by Burkey, second by Redlinger to approve this request. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Maynard arrived at 7:04 p.m..

Craig Flickinger, 1510 Washington Drive, and Mike Rommann, 1501 Washington Drive, discussed the drainage ditch on the west side of 2nd Avenue. Darris Pickering is working on the east side of 2nd Avenue. This also should help drain the west side. Coordinator Lent has requested AmeriCorps to help cut out brush and trees from the drainage ditch on the west side of 2nd Avenue. On Friday afternoon, some council members will survey this area.

Steve Hite stated he has a potential buyer that is interested in remodeling a house at 215 W 3rd Street, that was to be demolished by April 15th. Motion by Maynard, second by Redlinger to give approval for this house to be remodeled on the outside by June 1, 2010. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried. A building inspection will be required.

Nathan Hesson, Vinton Unlimited Director, stated that VU has a meeting Friday at 5:00 p.m. and General Ron Dardis will speak at 6:00 p.m..

The Mayor announced that now was the time and place set to hold a public hearing on a proposed loan agreement, with the principal not to exceed \$400,000. The street department plans to replace three pieces of old equipment. The Vinton Municipal Electric Utility will be loaning the City these funds. The Mayor closed the hearing.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Elwick to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LOAN AGREEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME.

Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-01 passed and approved.

The Mayor announced that now was the time and place set to hold a public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2011. The proposed tax levy is \$14.60 per thousand, an increase of only 4 cents from the current levy. The Mayor closed the hearing.

Motion by Burkey, second by Elwick to pass a RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-02 passed and approved.

Motion by Elwick, second by Vermedahl 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 (DUNCKLEE). Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, 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, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared ORDINANCE 978 duly adopted.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH BARBARA JOANN LOVELL FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-03 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Elwick to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH RANDAL J. FORSYTH FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-04 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Elwick to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH WILLIAM AND SHIRLEY REED FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-05 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH BECKY J. HESSENIUS FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-06 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH BRETT SCHMINKE FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-07 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Elwick to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH INEZ I. WORTHEN, POA LOIS ROMMANN FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-08 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Redlinger to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH MELVIN AND ANNA HURST FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-09 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to pass a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINTON TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OFFER WITH MICHAEL J. BURIAN FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and declared RESOLUTION 03-10-10 passed and approved.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Elwick to approve the preliminary plat for Eastview Estates Third Addition. During discussion, concern was expressed about water drainage in this area. The motion and second were withdrawn. Motion by Redlinger, second by Hessenius to table this until the next meeting. The property owner, Todd Gloede, and his engineer will be contacted.

Attorney Fischer left the meeting. Time: 8:05 p.m..

Coordinator Lent stated that 101 W 2nd Street is in the flood buyout program. There is also a small bare lot just to the north of the house, along the riverbank. Motion by Burkey, second by

Redlinger for Lent to negotiate with the owner, for \$5,000 or less for this bare parcel. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried. Community Disaster Grant funds can be used for this purchase.

Coordinator Lent is checking on various flood protection options for the old main lift station. Hesco barriers, rubber bladders and a concrete wall are some of the choices.

Motion by Elwick, second by Hessenius to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Mike Riege and Mark Hancock to the Telecommunications Commission, each for a six year term. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Redlinger to approve the Mayor's appointment of Brett Stein to the Board of Adjustments and Appeal, filling the unexpired term of Richard Schoonover. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Burkey, second by Vermedahl to receive and file the following meeting minutes: Planning & Zoning Commission 02-23-10 and Library Board 01-12-10. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Coordinator Lent reported on: 1) Problems with the sewer plant pumps. 2) Hissong house to be sided. 3) Park & Recreation department garden project. 4) Please fill out and return your US Census form. 5) Signatures have been acquired for the Dixon property, west of Hinkle Creek. 6) VU annual meeting.

The NEIRL meeting on March 30th will have Jody Burns, Vinton Program Director of AmeriCorps NCCC, as its featured speaker.

Good & Welfare: Having spring like weather.

Motion by Maynard, second by Redlinger to go into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(j), pending real estate transaction. Question: Ayes - Burkey, Elwick, Hessenius, Maynard, Redlinger, Vermedahl. Nays - None. The Mayor declared the motion carried. Time: 8:45 p.m..

Attorney Fischer returned during the closed session at 8:55 p.m..

Council reconvened at 9:06 p.m..

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 9:07 p.m..

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John R. Watson      Mayor

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