

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 28, 2014

A regular meeting of the City Council of Vinton, Iowa, was held on the 28th day of August, 2014, 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: Elwick, Hessenius, Parmater, Vermedahl. Absent: Bendull, Stark.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Elwick, second by Hessenius to approve the minutes of the August 14th meeting. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Council received a letter from Vinton Community Foundation regarding their 2014 distribution of the LOST funds.

Mayor Watson stated that the item to consider a sidewalk reimbursement for 515 W 12th Street needed to be deleted from tonight's agenda because the project is not yet complete. Motion by Elwick, second by Hessenius to approve the amended agenda. Question: Ayes - All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Tyler Lorenzen asked Council to consider the homecoming parade route. Motion by Hessenius, second by Vermedahl to approve the request for the VSHS homecoming parade route on Sept. 25th. Question: Ayes – All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Nick Sagan, Post Prom committee member, explained a fund raising project of painting the VS logo on driveways. He also asked if these logos could be painted on business sidewalks. Attorney Fischer explained that public sidewalks could not be used for private gain.

Kathie Adams, Mitch Long, Bruce Lange and Mindy Kies asked Council to work to alleviate the water drainage problem at the southeast corner of town. Administrator Ward stated that the city has hired McClure Engineering to do an infiltration and inflow study for the waste water treatment plant. He will discuss this water issue with the engineer. Council may discuss with school officials the detention basins at the high school.

Motion by Elwick, second by Hessenius to approve an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VINTON, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO USE AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY REGULATIONS OF STREETS AND ALLEYS. Question: Ayes – Elwick, Hessenius, Parmater, Vermedahl. Nays – None. The Mayor declared the motion carried and that said ordinance had been given its initial passage.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Parmater to approve change order #1 for the W 13th Street RISE project in the amount of \$8,097.91. This is for additional pcc pavement thickness. Question: Ayes – Elwick, Hessenius, Parmater, Vermedahl. Nays – None. The Mayor declared

the motion carried. Administrator Ward stated the project has been completed, but the project has not yet been closed out.

Council reviewed a preliminary ordinance amending provisions pertaining to chickens and water fowl. An annual permit will be required and no more than 6 domestic chickens or water fowl will be allowed per property. An ordinance will be considered at the next council meeting.

Administrator Ward contacted Council member Stark via cellular communications. Motion by Hessenius, second by Vermedahl to set a public hearing on a proposal to rezone 811 D Avenue on Sept. 11th at 7:00 p.m.. Question: Ayes – Hessenius, Parmater, Stark, Vermedahl. Abstain – Elwick. Nays – None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Communication with Stark ended.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Elwick to approve a sidewalk reimbursement for Cheryl Kelley, 114 W 10th Street in the amount of \$500.00. Question: Ayes – All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Parmater to approve a request for \$500 for tree funding for Taylor Township for Maplewood Cemetery. Question: Ayes – Elwick, Hessenius, Parmater, Vermedahl. Nays – None. The Mayor declared the motion carried. County Attorney Thompson, Mark Pingenot and a Boy Scout troop have a project scheduled for Sept. 13th. City arborist Jeff Schadle has been contacted about this project.

Motion by Elwick, second by Parmater to approve the Mayor's appointments of Nick Sagan, until July 2016, and Tom Lindauer, until July 2017, to the Parks & Recreation Board. Question: Ayes – All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Brad Barker, Tyler Lorenzen and Ryan Davis discussed the hiring process and time frame for a new parks and recreation director. Duane Randall will be retiring at the end of this year. The assistant director will move to the director house, leaving the older house empty. Should the older house be maintained, sold, rented for meetings or events, or be demolished? Council will also consider a salary range for this position. This topic will be on the next council agenda.

Motion by Hessenius, second by Vermedahl to approve the renewal of a special class c liquor license with native wine and Sunday sales for Jolly Roger Pizza. Question: Ayes – All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Vermedahl, second by Hessenius to receive and file the following meeting minutes: Library Board 08-13-14, Parks & Rec. Board 08-14-14 and Planning & Zoning Commission 08-19-14. Question: Ayes – All. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Nate Kass, Fehr-Graham engineer, stated that most of the curbs and gutters are complete on W 10th Street. They are discussing driveway issues with home owners. The 13th Street project is done.

Mayor Watson reported attending landfill commission meetings. The new fee schedule for the landfill starts Sept. 1st. He attended an Iowa League of Cities nominating committee meeting and will be on this committee for another year.

Administrator Ward reported that the first citizens committee and Callahan Consultants meeting for a new police chief search was held. He also received a request to be on a list for a sidewalk repair.

Clerk reported a new motor for air conditioner had been installed at City Hall. The new fire truck is expected to arrive at the end of October. The Mayor has assigned Council members to various council committees.

Good & Welfare: The rescheduled Party in the Park music and fireworks was good last Sunday. The first high school football game is Friday night. Boom Town and Boom Fest are this weekend.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:46 p.m..

John R. Watson Mayor

Attest: _____
Cindy Michael City Clerk