

REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, December 4, 2018 – 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers – Denison, Iowa

The first regular City Council Meeting of the City of Denison, Iowa was held pursuant to law on the above date and hour; Mayor Beymer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present: CURNYN,GRANZEN, LOESCHEN, MAHRT, OKKER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Beymer lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA Motion Mahrt/Okker to approve the agenda. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA Motion Curnyn/Granzen to approve the following items on the consent agenda: a) approve and waive the reading of the minutes for 11/20/18; b) approve the bills as presented; c) approve hiring Matt Winey as a Public Works Maint. Worker I at \$1,479.75 biweekly effective Dec. 5, 2018; d) approve liquor license(s) for Wise Monkey Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

DEPT HEAD REPORTS

Snowgren reported the Fire Dept. did another cooperative purchase with 3 departments to purchase gas meters. He is working on pump charts with 7 departments. They have been replacing outdated rescue equipment and moving equipment to Engine 1. He has done 2-3 inspections at Smithfield on their project. Working on apartment inspections this month looking for smoke alarms and proper egress. Painting of the top level of admin. side of building continues. He has done 2/3 of personnel evaluations and there is a grant report due at the end of the month.

Wiebers reported that the snow event this past weekend was tough for Public Works due to the ice and wet, heavy snow. They have to wait for business owners to clean snow off their property and collect that snow before they snow blow, which they did today.

Nemitz reported that the traffic light at 15th & Broadway is working again and he changed the timing on the lights at Hwy 39 & Ave C since the detour is complete.

Kempfert reported that Parks & Rec is holding the Christmas light contest in conjunction with DMU & CDC again this year and the deadline is Dec. 14th. There are 13 teams signed up for indoor volleyball. They will be a trial night for a floating yoga program at the first of the year. There are 62 kids on swim team. He is continuing to research costs for slide repairs.

Lechtenberg reported that Boulders has booked 21 new events this month, but they have no December weddings. They have 2 heating and cooling units that are not working and she is getting quotes. Walley Invited council to the Legislative Coffee at the Library on Dec. 5th. She reported that the meeting room usage continues to be strong and they had 60 people attend the Tales of the Orphan Train presented by Pippa White. She gave council a listing of upcoming programs.

Schaffer reported that there were just a few collisions in the snow storm. Nov. 24th Officer Cruz was involved in a pursuit, injured his knee and is currently on light duty.

PUBLIC FORUM

Lorena Lopez was present to express concerns about the amount of snow that is piled in her neighborhood and creates issues for the residents. Public Works will take a look at the route they use and see if they can change it. Lopez also expressed concern about all the sand that accumulates in the street in front of her house. She would like to see the street sweeper come by more often. Councilman Curnyn told her the previous street sweeper was constantly down for repairs and now that Public Works has a new one, the problem should be taken care of.

DISCUSSION ON CODE
CHAPTER 170.05

Discussion was held on Chapter 170.05 concerning accessory buildings. The consensus of the council was to direct the city attorney to prepare an ordinance amendment changing the wording in item 5E to say the principal residence instead of principal building.

DISCUSSION
ON PROCUREMENT POLICY

Discussion was held on a draft of the procurement policy. Council wants more time to review it so it was tabled to the next meeting.

DISCUSSION ON
HOUSING COMMITTEE

Discussion was held on the Housing Committee. Crawford reported that he had spoken with Steve Eggleston at HUD and they talked about the county wide partnership. They would like to do a work session to help decide how to move forward. Mayor Beymer suggested including IEDA also.

DISCUSSION ON TIME CLOCKS

Discussion was held on time clocks. Council directed Koch to do some research and see if there are systems that will fit our needs and the cost.

DISCUSSION ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Discussion on social media. Councilman Granzen reminded everyone to be aware of what you post because it is out there forever.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Report: None.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Crawford thanked Roger Preul and Luis Navar for attending the meeting since we were going to be discussing the Housing Board. Crawford reported that on the tennis court issue he has contacted Brian Launderville who is setting up a meeting with Klein Fencing. He informed council that Development Unlimited would like to be annexed as soon as possible. Crawford reported that he has sent Shaun Foutch 2 letters regarding his properties and has received no response. He will talk to the city attorney to see what the next step would be and he told council that the street has not been accepted yet.

He contacted Carley Construction because of issues with the 2012 Streetscape project. We didn't accept the work until 2014, so the maintenance bond is still in effect.
The city is eligible for a STBG grant for Ave C and he is working on the application.
The N 10th St. project is scheduled for the Feb. 19th bid letting in Ames.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Signed _____
Jared Beymer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa K. Koch, City Clerk