

Council Chambers, City Hall, January 11, 2010, 5:30 P.M.

The West Union City Council met on January 11, 2010 at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Merlin Dunt presiding. The special meeting began with citing the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Attendance Roll call: Present – Council members Guenther, Schott, and Halva.  
Absent – Rue and Dyke
- Approval of Agenda Motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
- Update on Downtown Project Jason Cooper of Conservation Design Forum addressed the Council with the items they felt best to omit from the CAT grant, and items to remain on the project as alternate items if funding is found to support them. Cooper advised they are hopeful for bid proposals to go out on March 8<sup>th</sup> with review mid-April and construction to begin in May.
- Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Halva, to proceed with the CAT grant application omitting the 11 items recommended by CDF. Roll call. All Aye. Carried.
- Increase to Kathy Showalter to Continue Grant Writing Services Robin Bostrom, Director of Economic Development, recommended to the Council to approve funds to keep the grant writer on board as there continues to be questions on several grants in process. To date, for the City's \$5,000 spent, she has secured over \$3.8mm of grant funds for the Downtown Project.
- Motion was made by Halva, seconded by Schott, to designate \$10,000 of the \$2mm city's commitment on the project to Kathy Showalter to continue grant writing services. Roll call. Guenther – No. Ayes – Schott and Halva. Carried.
- Discuss Snowmobiles Within City Limits Troy Johansen, business owner, advised Council a route had been put in place for review per conversations with police chief, Jim Davies, and the snowmobile club. Davies advised he would like to see the route changed to the alley by Super 8 for safety reasons. Halva proposed route be changed and review at next council meeting. All agreed.
- Next Council Meeting The next regular meeting will be held on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 5:30 P.M. at the Council Chambers.
- Adjourn With no further business to bring before the Council, a motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Halva to adjourn. Roll call. All Aye. Carried.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

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MERLIN DUNT, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Amie Johansen, Deputy City Clerk