

Council Chambers, City Hall, September 8, 2008, 5:30 P.M.

The West Union City Council met on September 8, 2008, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Merlin Dunt presiding. The meeting began with citing the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance	Roll call: Present – Councilmembers Halva, Guenther, Dyke, Schott and Rue Absent – None
Approval of Minutes	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Rue, to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2008 regular meeting. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
Approval of Agenda	Motion was made by Schott, seconded by Halva, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
West Union Website & Streetscape Project Discussion	Robin Bostrom, Fayette County Economic Development Director, updated the council concerning the development of the West Union website. They plan to have it up and running by October 1, 2008. They would like to include a City page, a Chamber page, a Main Street page, Aquatic Center link, and a Park & Rec link. The Chamber office will be in charge of the updates once it is up and running. Councilmember Schott also added he would like to see the ordinances on there too. Bostrom also updated the Council on the Streetscape project, advising that we need to move forward in order to meet deadlines on some grants that are available to apply for. Several State workers will be here on September 29 th for a workshop and would like to meet with the Council in the evening. City Administrator Martin Games explained to the members that it is very important for them to gather information and ask questions prior to that meeting as they have some important decisions to make on this project.
Expansion of Urban Renewal Area Resolution #2008-09	Games advised the paperwork has been prepared to set the public hearing on the proposed expansion of the boundaries of the City's Commercial Urban Renewal Area. A motion was made by Guenther to adopt Resolution #2008-09 proposing to expand the boundaries of the City's Commercial Urban Renewal Area and set the public hearing for the next council meeting on September 22, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. Schott seconded the motion. All voted aye. Carried.
Curfew for Minors	Police Chief Jim Davies advised the Council the proposed curfew for minors is similar to what several other towns are doing. Council members Schott and Guenther worked with Chief Davies and set the time from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Penalties will be \$25 for first offense; \$50 and/or up to 20 hours of community service for second offense; and \$100 and/or up to 40 hours community service. City Attorney Jerem White has reviewed the wording and approved. Davies advised the intent is only to prevent the criminal mischief, not to bother the minors that are working or at a school event that ran late. A motion was made by Halva, seconded by Dyke to prepare an ordinance for first reading at the next meeting.
South Pine Sewer Repairs	Games advised the work on South Pine Street is now complete. Guenther made a motion to approve Pay Estimate #2 to Leslie Lauer & Sons in the amount of \$7,153.39 for work completed on the project. Halva seconded the motion. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried. Games advised there is still \$1597 retainage fee being held until the Engineer releases all paperwork on the project. Council member Rue asked if we held back any due to delay on original project that was not completed on time. Games advised we did not. The completion of the complete project was done by the due date and original delay was due to using a new supplier which kept their bid lower than if they would have used their current supplier.

Approval of
August Financials

Games advised the Police Expenditures reflects a cost for vests and radios, but does not reflect the grant they received to pay for half the cost. The grant money actually gets received into the General Fund. He also advised the gas price continues to affect the budget. A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Dyke to approve the August 2008 financial reports as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.

Next Council
Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held September 22, 2008, at 5:30 P.M. in 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 voted aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned 6:05 P.M.

MERLIN DUNT, Mayor

ATTEST:

AMIE JOHANSEN, City Deputy Clerk