

Council Chambers, City Hall, January 5, 2009, 5:30 P.M.

The West Union City Council met on January 5, 2009 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 – Council members Guenther, Schott, Rue, Dyke, and Halva
Approval of the Minutes	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Dyke to approve the minutes of the December 15th, 2008 regular meeting. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
Approval of Agenda	Motion was made by Schott, seconded by Rue, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the Budget	City Administrator Martin Games advised this is the time and place that was set for the Public Hearing of the proposed amendment to the city's current fiscal year budget. Revenues are increasing by \$367,100, and expenditures increasing by \$536,300, resulting in a \$169,200 deficit. Games advised we may see another amendment needed closer to spring due to the airport project and additional sand and salt needed for the winter. With no questions or comments, a motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther to close the Public Hearing. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
Resolution #2009-19	A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Halva to approve Resolution #2009-19 approving the budget amendment to increase revenues by \$367,100, and increase expenditures by \$536,300. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Approval of Roger Gamm as 2009 Fire Chief	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Halva, to approve the appointment of Roger Gamm as West Union Fire Chief for 2009. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Approve Current Membership of the Fire Department	Motion was made by Halva, seconded by Schott, to approve the current membership of the West Union Fire Department. Roll Call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Survey for Possible Creation of "Federal Infrastructure Stimulus Package"	<p>City Administrator Martin Games advised the Iowa League of Cities has been contacted by Governor Culver and the Department of Economic Development to help prepare Iowa for initiatives that might come from the federal government in the coming weeks. Games advised the Streetscape project would apply, as well as reconstruction to Linden Street and other streets in town, improvements at the airport, and improvements to the water and sewer plant. Games asked Jon Biederman from Tekippe Engineering if he could put some quick numbers together as the survey is due January 12th, 2009. Biederman agreed to assist Games in completing the survey.</p> <p>A motion was made by Halva, seconded by Guenther, to authorize Games and Biederman to complete the survey. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.</p>
Next Council Meeting	The next regular meeting will be held on January 19 th , 2009 at 5:30 P.M. at the Council Chambers.
Adjourn	<p>With no further business to bring before the Council, a motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Rue to adjourn. Roll call. All aye. Carried.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.</p>

MERLIN DUNT, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amie Johansen, Deputy City Clerk