

Council Minutes, Council Chambers, June 7, 2010, 5:30 P.M.

The West Union City Council met on June 7, 2010, at 5:30 P.M. in the council chambers with Mayor Merlin Dunt presiding.

Attendance	Roll call: Present – Councilmembers Halva, Guenther, Rue, Schott Absent – Dyke
Approval of Agenda	Motion was made by Schott, seconded by Halva, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Approval of Minutes	Motion was made by Halva, seconded by Schott, to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2010 regular meeting. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Discuss Storm Sewer Issues	Jon Biederman advised council of three storm sewer issues since the last hard rain, of which will need attention soon. The first on Industrial Parkway, the pipe is too small and slow draining, causing law enforcement issues when there is a hard rain. With Schwan's moving forward on their lot, it would be a good time to update the pipe. Estimate is about \$30,000. The second is over Otter Creek by Armour Street. Through settling, the pipe has a vertical deflection in it. Biederman is working with a couple of contractors to get final estimate. The third issue is by Bunn Services. The potential to add these projects to the water revenue bond would save from having to do another financing option and allow the repairs to be made as soon as possible. No action was taken.
Set Public Hearing on Urban Renewal Amendment Resolution #2010-32	City Attorney, Jerem White, advised he has been working with Bob Josten to amend the Urban Renewal area, consolidating the Downtown Streetscape Area with the existing Industrial and Commercial Urban Renewal Areas into a new West Union Consolidated Urban Renewal Area. Gunderson Clinic and the Residential Housing TIFs will remain as is. Motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther, to set the Public Hearing on the amendment for Tuesday, July 6 th , 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the council chambers, due to the fourth of July holiday observed on Monday. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Downtown Streetscape Grant Opportunity	Fayette County Economic Director, Robin Bostrom, advised the council of an invitation she received from IDED to Main Street cities to apply for additional funds for projects unfunded or not fully funded yet that could be completed within the next 18 months. No match is required for the funds. Bostrom requested permission from the council to apply for the grant, which is due June 15 th . Motion was made by Halva, seconded by Rue to approve the Main Street office to write the grant. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Resolution #2010-29 Approving Salaries for FY2010-11	City Administrator, Bob Vagts, presented the list of salary increases as figured into the budget, a 3% increase for all except new hires, previous wage increases this year, and police, which have 2% in their contract. Motion was made by Halva, seconded by Guenther, to approve as presented effective July 1, 2010. Roll call. Schott-Aye, Rue-Nay, Guenther & Halva – Aye. Carried.
Resolution #2010-30 Pay off Line of Credit-Streetscape	Vagts requested we pay down the \$300,000 line of credit with grant proceeds we have received to cover design work. Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Halva, to pay off the line of credit at Kerndt Brothers Bank from the Street Improvement Fund. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Resolution #2010-31 Line of Credit	Vagts requested a line of credit for \$128,060.20 be opened with Kerndt Brothers Bank to fund the purchase of trickling arms at the Wastewater Treatment Plant that is needed to balance the Utility budget. Rate will be 4.5% with a one-year revolving term. Motion was made by Halva, seconded by Rue to approve the resolution. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.

Ordinance #552
Approving 1st
Reading of Water
and Sewer Increases

Vagts presented to council the proposal for increased water and sewer rates needed to balance the deficit in that budget line, and to start a capital improvement fund for future expenditures and preliminary new plant costs, which is much needed. He has researched the area towns for water and sewer rates, and found West Union is still below them even with this increase. New rates will be effective July 1st, 2010. Motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #552 approving the rate increases as presented. Roll call. Halva, Schott, and Guenther – Aye; Rue – Nay. Carried.

Approval of
Class C Beer Permit
with Sunday Sales
for Shell Express

Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Halva, to approve the Class C Beer Permit with Sunday sales for Shell Express. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.

Next Council
Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held June 21, 2010, 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 Schott, to adjourn. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned 6:15 P.M.

MERLIN DUNT, Mayor

ATTEST:

AMIE JOHANSEN, City Deputy Clerk