

Council Chambers, City Hall, October 6, 2008, 5:30 P.M.

The West Union City Council met on October 6, 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 – Council members Halva, Guenther, Dyke, Schott and Rue Absent – None
Approval of Minutes	Motion was made by Schott, seconded by Dyke, to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2008 regular meeting. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
Approval of Agenda	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Rue, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
Public Hearing Urban Renewal Area	Games advised this is the date and time to conduct a public hearing on the proposed expansion of the boundaries of the City’s Commercial Urban Renewal Area. With no questions or comments, Schott moved to close the public hearing, Guenther seconded. All voted aye. Carried.
Resolution #2008-09	A motion was made by Halva, seconded by Schott to adopt Resolution #2008-09 expanding the boundaries of the City’s Commercial Urban Renewal Area. All voted aye. Carried.
Resolution #2008-10	A motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Schott adopting Resolution #2008-10 approving a Tax Increment Financing Development Agreement with the Lahey Family Trust for development within the Commercial Urban Renewal Area.
Second Reading on Curfew for Minors Ordinance #544	Games advised at the last council meeting, the first reading of a curfew for minors passed with a four to one vote. Schott advised he received calls regarding the 11:00 p.m. time for Fridays and Saturdays with regards to a bowling league. Davies advised the intent is only to prevent the criminal mischief, not to bother the minors that are at a function supervised by an adult. A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Dyke to approve the second reading of the ordinance as it reads.
Waive 3 rd Reading	A motion was made by Schott to waive the third reading of Ordinance #544, seconded by Guenther. All voted aye. Carried.
Adoption of Ordinance #544 Curfew for Minors	A motion was then made by Schott, seconded by Rue to adopt Ordinance #544, an ordinance setting the Curfew for Minors. Games advised it will go into effect once published in the paper.
Downtown Streetscape Project	Local citizen Gerry Musser advised the council that she is not opposed to the Streetscape project, but is very concerned on the back in parking. She encouraged the council members to talk to other citizens and contact the cities that have already implemented this to aid in making their decision. Jon Biederman from Tekippe Engineering presented two bids for service to continue to the next step of the Streetscape Project for \$18,000 for a Topographic Survey and \$52,000 for Schematic Designs. He also advised they are working hand in hand with Conservation Design Forum, whose fee will be picked up by the State. Games advised we are getting to the point where we need to be looking at some financing to take care of these figures, as there is not funding in the budget. A motion was made by Halva, seconded by Schott approving the agreements with Tekippe Engineering for \$18,000 and \$52,000. All voted aye. Carried.
Airport Runway Project	Games presented the minutes from the Airport Commission recommending approval of Pay Estimate #6 to CFI Foundations, Inc. for \$7,549.17 for work completed on the project. The balance remaining would be the retainage fee of \$25,000. A motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Rue for the approval of Pay Estimate #6 for \$7,549.17 to CFI Foundations, Inc. All voted aye. Carried. The Airport Commission also recommended payment to Crawford Engineering in the amount of \$3,983.85 for engineering services provided on the project. A motion was

made by Halva, seconded by Dyke to approve the payment. All voted aye. Carried.

Library Board

Library Head Tara Johnson along with Board member Dean Thomas approached the Council with updates on the Library. A new Teen Advisory group has been formed and Friends of the Library will meet on October 28th at 7:00 p.m. Dean also presented some graphs showing monthly visitors over the past year, monthly circulations, computer usage, and number of new card holders. The Library Board made a recommendation to consider approval of Anne Britt to fill a vacancy left by Kristi Dienst. A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Halva to appoint Anne Britt to the Library Board with a term to June 30, 2009 and then renewed for six years until 2015. All voted aye. Carried. A recommendation was also made by the Library Board to approve terms of all Board Members as follows:

Anne Britt	2015
Dean Thomas	2010
Deb Grant	2012
Katherine Jones	2012
Bill Moellering	2014
Blake Brown	2014
Lezley Johansen	2015

A motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Halva to approve the terms as presented by the Library Board. All voted aye. Carried.

Kaleidoscope Kids
Childcare Center

Tami Guyer of Kaleidoscope Kids approached the Council with regards to Kaleidoscope Kids wanting a sponsor to apply for a grant to assist in building a childcare center. They are working with Upper Iowa Exploreland to write the grant for \$500,000. They are looking at a project of \$1.2mm, hoping that The Foundation will donate the land. A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Halva for the City to be the sponsor with no financial backing committed. All voted aye. Carried.

Class B Native
Wine Permit
Sweet Repeat
Floral

A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther to approve a Class B Native Wine Permit for Sweet Repeat Floral. All voted aye. Carried.

Employment Status
Barry Mackey

Attorney Michael Bunn along with Barry Mackey approached the Council requesting a recess to discuss matters with Police Chief Jim Davies and City Attorney Jerem White. A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Rue to take a short recess for them to discuss matters behind closed doors. After a fifteen minute recess, City Attorney Jerem White advised they would like to defer the conversation to the Employee Committee before presenting to the Council. Attorney Michael Bunn requested on behalf of Mr. Mackey that the sub-committee meet yet tonight and then present to Council at the next meeting. Davies agreed as well as committee members Schott and Guenther. A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Halva to move this to the Police Committee along with the Mayor and City Attorney. All voted aye. Carried.

Next Council
Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held October 20, 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 Rue, seconded by Guenther, to adjourn. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned 6:50 P.M.

MERLIN DUNT, Mayor

ATTEST:

AMIE JOHANSEN, City Deputy Clerk

