

Council Chambers, City Hall, May 4, 2009, 5:30 P.M.

The West Union City Council met on May 4, 2009, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Merlin Dunt presiding.

Attendance	Roll call: Present – Councilmembers Halva, Guenther, Schott, and Rue Absent – Dyke
Approval of Minutes	Motion was made by Rue, seconded by Schott, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2009 regular meeting. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
Approval of Agenda	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Halva, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance Increasing Sewer Rates	Per City Clerk/Administrator Martin Games, a 10% increase in sewer rates to assist in paying for repairs needed at the sewer plant was figured in to the 2009-10 FY Budget. The impact on residents is about \$9.60 per year for someone at the minimum usage; or about \$21.60 per year for a typical usage for a family of four. The change would be effective with the July 1 <sup>st</sup> billing.  A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther, to approve the first reading of an ordinance increasing sanitary sewer user fees by 10%, effective with the July 1 <sup>st</sup> billing period. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Waive 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Readings of Ordinance Increasing Sewer Rates	A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther, to waive the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> readings of an ordinance increasing sewer rates by 10% effective with the July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2009 billing. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Adoption of Ord. #546	A motion was made by Schott, seconded by Guenther, to adopt Ordinance No. 546, an ordinance amending section 99.02 of the West Union revised ordinances of 2008, as last amended on May 5, 2008, to provide for the fixing of rates and charges for customers of the City's Municipal Sanitary Sewer System. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Resolution #2009-22 Proposal for Re-zoning for Gunderson Clinic	Per Games, a zoning request by Gunderson Clinic went before the Planning and Zoning Commission on April 22, 2009. All seven board members were present and unanimously voted to approve the zoning amendment in regards to the R-2 (Mixed Residential) on the following locations: 104 & 110 Jefferson Street and 601, 605, & 607 North Vine Street, West Union, Fayette County, Iowa.  Sally Falb spoke as a concerned neighbor to the requested zoning area and asked that there be some beautification project clause as part of the zoning change. Darlene Nutt, Gunderson Clinic Manager, spoke on behalf of the clinic saying she is not sure what could be done, but that they would consider that into the plans.  A motion was made by Halva, seconded by Schott, to set the Public Hearing for the proposed zoning change for May 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the council chambers. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Renewal of City's Health Insurance Package	Games reviewed the city's June 1 <sup>st</sup> health insurance renewal package with Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, advising an 11.4% rate increase for both single and family coverage, raising a single by \$32.21 and family by \$80.54.  A motion was made by Halva, seconded by Schott, to approve the renewal with Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield for the City's Health Insurance Package. Roll call. All voted Aye. Carried.
Review Proposals to Replace Water Valves	Council reviewed bids received to replace some water valves that are not working.

Bids are as follows:

Kevin Cline Construction	\$ 1,765.00
Leslie Lauer & Sons, Inc	\$ 2,720.00
Baker Concrete & Excavating	\$ 9,340.00

Motion was made by Halva, seconded by Guenther, accepting the lowest bid from Kevin Cline Construction at \$1,765.00 for replacement of the water valves to be completed by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.

Next Council Meeting      The next regular meeting will be held May 18, 2009, 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 Rue, to adjourn. Roll call. All voted aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned 5:50 P.M.

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MERLIN DUNT, Mayor

ATTEST:

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AMIE JOHANSEN, City Deputy Clerk