

Council Chambers, City Hall, December 16th, 2013, 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met December 16th, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. in Council Chambers with Mayor Kent Halverson presiding. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance	Roll call: Present – Council members Lauer, Gumm, Guenther, Granger, and Bemiss Absent: None
Approval of the Agenda	Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Gumm, to approve the agenda as presented with one change omitting item #14. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of the Minutes	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve minutes of the December 2nd, 2013 regular meeting. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Main Street Challenge Grant	Will add to January agenda as representation was not in attendance.
Discuss Infrastructure for a Potential Casey's	Earl Moss advised Council he has an offer on the table from Casey's General Store for property on highway 18, but concerned with an old sanitary sewer main that runs through the property. The project is over \$1mm, would create approximately \$15,000 of tax revenue, and they would employ 20-25 people, as well as contribute to Local Option Sales Tax. Jon Biederman of Fehr Graham advised the cost to move it to the west edge of the property would be about \$140,000. Moss asked if the City could take on the project and pay for it with the proceeds from the increase in tax base. Vagts advised this is exactly what TIF is meant for and would like to see Casey's or Moss as the developer apply for the TIF and rebate back at 100% over a short period of time to complete the project as quickly as possible. Guenther stated he does not want to see the City absorb the costs and deplete the fund balances to benefit private property. Moss will take back to Casey's with Council's recommendation to apply for the TIF.
Discuss Gary Goodell's Property	Bemiss presented pictures of the nuisance at the E. Elm property. Police Chief Parker asked if a No Trespassing order should be given to him as well as changing the locks. The paperwork is done and ownership transferred to the City, but Goodell continues to be on the property. After much discussion, Guenther made a motion, and Lauer seconded, to have Mayor Kent Halverson and Police Chief Parker sit down with Goodell and address the situation with him. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Police Concerns	Chief Parker brought a concern to Council of the intersection at E. Elm and Walnut Street and how it is "visually" set up as a 4-way intersection even though it is not. He has seen some close calls, but has not had any accidents to date. Council asked Parker to continue monitoring. Parker also requested to have a gas card put in each police vehicle in case of emergency. Gumm made a motion to purchase 3 gas cards not to exceed \$200/card, Guenther seconded. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Streetscape Acceptance Letter For Electrical Portion	Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Granger, to approve accepting the electrical portion of the Streetscape as presented by Fehr Graham. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Payment to Blazek	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Lauer, to approve pay estimate #30 for \$40,291.78 from Blazek Corporation and change order #27 for a decrease in contract price of \$62,072.25 for the same. All Aye. Carried. Motion was then made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve pay estimate #31 for Blazek for \$29,968.25 for retainage on the electrical portion. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Payment To Fehr Graham	Motion was made by Granger, seconded by Gumm, to approve payment to Fehr Graham for invoice #57740 for \$2,626.91 for smoke testing, and invoice #57741 for \$720 for GIS Storm Sewer Collection map as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Bank	Vagts advised it was time to update our signature card at the bank with

Signatories Mayor Kent Halverson, Bob Vagts, and Amie Johansen as permissible signatories. Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Gumm, to approve as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Oath of Office Oath of Office was administered to Mayor Kent Halverson, Councilman At-Large Isaiah Stansbery, First Ward Councilman Adam Keller, and Police Officer Michael Tobin.

Approve Resol. 2014-15 Setting Public Hearing for Property Vacation Vagts advised he received a call from Shawn Miller that he would like to buy the portion adjacent his property, which would come to \$50 at the \$ .10/foot, and Chris Lauer's portion would be \$250. Biederman advised the City would need easements for the storm sewer. Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Gumm, to set the Public Hearing for January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at council chambers. All Aye. Carried.

Approve December, 2013 Expenditures Motion was made by Bemiss, seconded by Guenther, to approve December, 2013 expenditures totaling \$247,994.04 as presented. All Aye. Carried.

CLAIMS LIST:

Advanced Systems – Maintenance Contract	\$ 97.14
All Stop – Fuel	1,155.83
Allamakee-Clayton Electric – Electric Service	3,730.91
Alliant Energy – Electric Service	7,656.81
Amazon/GE Money – Library Books	429.39
Banker's Trust – GO Bond Payment	53,687.50
Baumler Imp. – TIF Payment	5,417.27
Black Hills – Gas Service	1,877.30
Blue Cross & Blue Shield – Health Insurance	14,507.40
Brown Supply – Paint	222.00
Bryan Heavy Equip. – Filters & Fluids	84.37
Bunn's – Garbage Service	45.00
California Contractors – Plastic Ties	118.00
Carpenter Uniform Co. – Police Supplies	1,477.83
Center Point Print – Books	60.00
CenturyLink – Phone	852.88
Chief Supply – Supplies	113.98
Cindy Bilden – Clean City Hall	100.00
City Laundry – Shop Towels & Uniforms	302.67
Continental Research – Supplies	271.49
Croell – Cement	797.11
Data Tech – Annual License	4,808.16
Detroit Industrial Tool – Blade	245.47
Digital-Ally – Mirror	395.00
EFTPS – Fed/FICA Taxes	12,376.29
Elwood, O'Donohoe, Braun & White – Legal Fees	172.50
Emblem Enterprises – Patches	284.76
Fausser – Diesel	2,618.77
Fay. Co. Abstract – Credit Report Fee	100.00
Fay. Co. Auditor – Election Fees	1,400.94
Fay. Co. Recorder – Recording Fees	37.00
Fay. Co Union – Publications	389.39
Fehr Graham – GIS Mapping	9,249.18
Feld Fire – Freight, LED Light	205.00
First National Bank – Pymt on Aquatic Note	12,816.02
Gage & Gage – Furnace Repair	72.00
Gale – Books	133.51
Garvin & Moser – TIF	6,896.07
Gundersen Clinic – Testing	128.65
Hawkins – Cylinders	235.50
HD Supply Waterworks – Deeter	575.00
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy – MMPI Eval.	180.00
Iowa One Call – Locates	63.00
Iowa Prison Industries – Signs	241.01
Iowa Rural Water Assoc – Membership	250.00
IPERS – IPERS Payment	7,518.52
Jay's Automotive – Repairs	1,595.75
Jessica Koch – Coaching	50.00

Jill Clark – Health Claims	1,000.00
John Deere Credit Union – Supplies	285.16
Kathleen Guyer – Dental Claim	216.00
Kerndt Bank – Fire Truck Loan	13,300.99
Lahey Family Trust – TIF	1,730.89
Lechtenberg Janitorial – Brushes	286.50
Lee Barness – Health Claims	468.00
LeRoy Soppe – Qtrly Salary	125.00
LL Pelling – Asphalt	1,138.40
Martin Brothers – Towels	97.83
Mastercard – Grout, Training	466.31
Mediacom – Internet	135.85
Mike Streif – Lease	4,800.00
Mike’s C&O Tire – Tires	498.64
Moore’s – Supplies	47.82
Morgan Wolfs – Coaching	50.00
NAPA – Parts	651.17
North American Salt – Salt & Sand	5,147.46
North Fayette Fitness – TIF Payment	62.44
Outdoor Recreation – Swing	340.00
Petty Cash – Postage	26.19
Predicament Partnership – Tournament Ad	72.00
Presto – Rodent Control	34.24
Reggie Gross – Airport Manager	509.23
Reiser Imp. – Broom	4,995.00
Reliant Fire Apparatus – Repairs	859.38
Rite Price – Office Supplies	263.57
Robert Blockhus – Health Claim	780.00
Robert Vagts – Mileage	50.07
Roger Gamm – Qtrly Salary	250.00
Sims –UPS, Labor, Antivirus	209.90
Sprayer Specialties – Directoalve	252.95
State Hygenic Lab – Testing	55.00
Stephen’s Windows – Blinds	565.20
Strahm Hardware – Supplies	525.00
Superior Welding – Oxygen	12.40
Take A Shot – Glocks	570.00
Taser International – Supplies	1,014.71
Testamerica – Wastewater Testing	74.97
Tom Luhman –Firemen Compensation	1,822.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa – Sales Tax, State WH	3,820.36
TrueNorth – Insurance	359.10
United Dairy Systems – TIF	448.52
UnityPoint Clinic – Drug Screening	37.00
Unum Life Insurance – Disab. & Life Insurance	225.40
Upper Exploreland –Grant Administration	1,830.07
US Cell – Cell Phone Service	383.74
U.S. Postal –Util Billing, Presort Fee	543.53
Walvatne Electric – Wiring	164.60
WBC Mechanical – Switch	161.69
Wertjes Uniforms – Uniforms	939.47
West Union Hardware – Supplies	365.59
West Union Motor Supply – Supplies	262.00
West Union Motors – Winterizing	118.34
West Union Shell – Fuel	815.12
West Union Vet – Boarding	110.00
Westphal Mower Service – Repairs	76.90
Total Payroll	<u>37,499.97</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 247,994.04

RECAP OF OCTOBER RECEIPTS

General	\$ 210,255.38
Util Billing	<u>58,281.02</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 268,536.40

Set Special Council Meeting for Budget Discussions Vagts asked that Council hold a Special Council meeting Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013 to start working on the budget. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve setting the date. All Aye. Carried.

Next Council Meeting Next council meeting will be held Monday, December 30th, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. for a Special Council meeting discussing Budget.

Adjourn With no further business to bring before the Council, a motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Gumm, to adjourn. Roll call. All Aye. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 P.M.

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KENT HALVERSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Amie Johansen, Deputy City Clerk