

Council Chambers, City Hall, January 20th, 2014, 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met January 20th, 2014 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 Stansbery, Gumm, Granger, and Bemiss-via teleconference, Keller joined during item #9 Absent: None
Approval of the Agenda	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Stansbery, to approve the agenda as presented with one change omitting item #22A. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of the Minutes	Motion was made by Granger, seconded by Gumm, to approve minutes of the January 6 th , 2014 regular meeting. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Resol. 2014-16 Sale of Vacated Alley at	With one change on the easement from 8’ to 10’ to allow for the Black Hills utility, a motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve Resolution 2014-16 regarding the disposal by sale of the vacated alley on N. Pine to Chris Lauer and Shawn Miller as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Adopt Ordinance 581 Vacating Former Alley on N. Pine St.	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Stansbery, to approve the First Reading of Ordinance 581 vacating the former alley on N. Pine Street as described as: ALL THAT PART OF THE EAST AND WEST ALLEY IN BLOCK 10, WEST UNION, FROM THE WEST LINE OF N. PINE ST., WEST TO THE EAST LINE OF THE ALLEY THAT RUNS NORTH AND SOUTH IN SAID BLOCK 10, (SAID PARCEL LIES BETWEEN LOTS 1, 2, AND 3 ON NORTH SIDE OF ALLEY AND LOTS 12, 13, AND 14 ON SOUTH SIDE OF ALLEY) IN FAYETTE COUNTY, IOWA All Aye. Carried. Motion was then made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to waive the 2 nd and 3 rd Readings of Ordinance 581. All Aye. Carried. Motion to Adopt the ordinance was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Payment To Main Street for 2 nd Story Project	West Union Main Street submitted an invoice for the \$15,000 City Funds towards the 2 nd story housing project on CDBG Contract 12-DTR-012 as previously approved at the August 6th, 2012 council meeting. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Stansbery, to approve as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Sale of City Property by Water Plant to Kevin Cline	Kevin and Pam Cline requested to purchase the City lot west of the water plant on Railroad Street to put in another driveway access to their property on Highway 150. Due to codes dealing with the water plant in Chapter 93 of the West Union Code of Ordinance, no buildings can be built on the property, but a driveway, park, or trail would be acceptable. For the driveway, a variance would be needed. After some discussion, a motion to table until the next council meeting was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger. All Aye. Carried.
Amend Façade Grant Increase of \$60,000	Chelsea Welsh of UERPC explained the structural issues at the Bank Block Building and advised IEDA has agreed to amend the total amount of CDBG grant 12-DTR-012 from \$500,000 to \$560,000 to assist with the overage. Motion was made by Bemiss, seconded by Gumm, to accept the increase as the City is the pass thru on this grant. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Updates To Boards & Commissions	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Keller, to approve term and member updates to the Boards & Commissions as submitted. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Pizza Palace Liquor Renewal	Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Granger, to approve liquor license renewal BB0016470 for Pizza Palace as submitted. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Cigarette Permit for Quillin’s	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Stansbery, to approve the new Cigarette permit for Quillin’s. All Aye. Carried.

Discuss Capital Water Fund	With costs to paint the water tower, cleaning that needs to be done in both water towers, and future expenses coming up, Councilman Gumm asked that we take a look at increasing the Capital Water Fee from \$2.50 to \$5.00 per month. Superintendant Scott Johansen also commented that we are pumping less water due to the more efficient appliances in homes. Council also feels we need to check with insurance due to the Unionland Feed fire to see if there was any effect on the water tower from the fire. Further discussion to take place.
Discuss Pit Bull Ordinance	Jason Knox requested to show a power point presentation on behalf of the residents that do not want the pit bull ordinance removed. Discussion continued both for and against the removal of the ordinance and research that several council and citizens had done. Mayor Halverson suggested having a work session to discuss. Motion was made by Keller, seconded by Granger, to set Monday, January 27 th , 2014 at 6 p.m. for a Special Work Session on the Pit Bull Ordinance and Vicious Dog Ordinance. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Payment To UERPC for DOE and CDBG	These are the final invoices for grant administration from Upper Exploreland for the DOE and CDBG grants. Motion to approve payment of invoice #26-final for \$355.50 for DOE grant and invoice #38-final for \$2,127.57 for CDBG grant as presented was made by Stansbery, seconded by Keller. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Engineering For Runway Safety Area at the Airport	Adam Keller received a letter advising the Airport Capital Improvement Program (ACIP) data sheets had not been turned in as required by the FAA for the West Union Airport. To be eligible for future funding, we need to improve the runway safety area. Engineering for the project is \$59,400, of which the City would be responsible for \$5940 of that. The cost could be lower if some of the engineering is already done. Motion to approve submitting the ACIP sheets was made by Bemiss, seconded by Gumm. Keller abstained; Rest Aye. Carried.
Discuss Medicare Eligibility	Councilman Bemiss would like to make a change to the Employee handbook stating once an employee becomes Medicare eligible that insurance can continue with the group plan but at full cost to the employee. Amie had that question in to the insurance provider, but had not received an answer as of the time for the meeting. Bemiss made a motion to implement, but no second was received.
Discuss City Administrator Vacancy	City Administrator vacancy was posted on Friday, January 17 th . Amie asked that Council set a Salary range to be considered. Council agreed on \$40-50,000 dependant on qualifications as previously advertised when Games left. The hiring committee will be Kent Halverson, Adam Keller, Kennon Gumm, Hospital Administrator Steve Stark, Amie Johansen, and one more to be named.
Approve December, 2013 Financials	Motion was made by Keller, seconded by Stansbery, to approve December, 2013 Financials as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Approve January, 2014 Expenditures	Motion was made by Bemiss, seconded by Keller, to approve January, 2014 Expenditures totaling \$385,505.69 All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Budgets	Karla Organist has started working on the budget as assistance from Upper Exploreland at a rate of \$60/hour. Once we have everything put together, we can have Council review to decide any changes needed. Bemiss also brought up a concern to add a contract worker to take care of the downtown area. Stansbery also offered community service by the Residential Facility. More discussion to take place.

CLAIMS LIST:

A-1 Vacuum – Vacuum Supplies	\$ 22.95
Advanced Systems – Maintenance Contract	192.06
Advanced Systems – Texas	217.48
Alco – Supplies	87.88
All Stop – Fuel	1,626.15
Allamakee-Clayton Electric – Electric Service	3,446.04

Alliant Energy – Electric Service	8,558.19
Amazon/GE Money – Library Books	1,536.32
BARCO – Bolts	96.14
Barry Kamm – Yard Boss, Sweeper	430.00
Black Hills – Gas Service	3,145.08
Blazek – Streetscape	70,260.03
Blue Cross & Blue Shield – Health Insurance	12,069.45
Bodensteiner – Filters	34.79
Brent Parker – Dental Claim	283.50
Broken Arrow Wear – Police Supplies	239.22
Bryan Heavy Equip. – Filters	39.94
BSN Sports – Basketballs, Bleachers	1,476.99
Bunn’s – Garbage Service	150.00
Carpenter Uniform Co. – Police Supplies	155.33
CenturyLink – Phone	853.50
Chris Moss – Reimburse Wrestling Supplies	302.40
Cindy Bilden – Clean City Hall	100.00
City Laundry – Shop Towels & Uniforms	416.15
College Subscription – Subscriptions	61.93
Continental Research – Supplies	136.13
Cretex – Supplies	1,582.00
Data Tech – Forms	86.53
David Oakland – Flag Light Repair	47.98
Decker – Wrestling Shirts	590.80
Don’s Truck Sales – Parts	385.78
EFTPS – Fed/FICA Taxes	13,409.76
Echo Valley Metalworks – Handrail Chamber	375.00
ECivis – Annual Dues	1,200.00
Fauser – Diesel	1,982.23
Fay. Co. Econ Develop – Hotel/Motel Payment	715.88
Fay. Co. Recycling – Qtly Fees	7,458.00
FCSWC	20,260.91
Fay. Co Union – Publications	295.44
Fayette Electronics – Supplies	499.00
Fehr Graham – GIS Mapping	3,346.91
Feld Fire – Boots	512.00
First National Bank – Pymt on Aquatic Note	12,816.03
Grainger – Supplies	72.30
Gundersen Clinic – Testing	151.00
Hach – Chemicals	462.42
Harry Henry Elec – Supplies	301.30
Hawkins – Cylinders	302.00
IMFOA – Annual Dues	55.00
Ingram – Books	410.52
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy – MMPI Eval.	180.00
Iowa Library Assoc. – Books	80.00
IPERS – IPERS Payment	8,768.90
Jill Clark – Health Claims	521.35
John Deere Credit Union – Supplies	640.69
K2 Construction – Geothermal	44,635.61
Kathleen Guyer – Dental Claim, Mileage, Supplies	993.63
Little Tigerhawk Wrestling – Tournament	2,553.27
Mastercard – Testing, Travel, Supplies	2,931.01
Matt Parrott – A/P Checks	206.25
Mediacom – Internet	135.85
Mike Moser – Dental Claim	400.00
Midwest Breathing – Air Test	127.25
Moss Service Center – Repairs	499.00
NAPA – Parts	283.50
NFV Athletic Boosters – Gatorade	83.97
NFV Cheerleaders – Wrestling Tourney Help	200.00
NEIA YMCA – 5/6 th League Fees	100.00
Northern Lights – Concessions	130.40
Old Mill Floral – Supplies	107.00
Paul Niemann Construction – Road Rock	496.65
Petty Cash – Postage	35.33
Popular Science – Subscription	22.00

Presto – Rodent Control	34.18
Red Heart Fundraising – Concessions	230.00
Reggie Gross – Airport Manager	509.23
Reiser Imp. – Antifreeze	48.98
Rite Price – Office Supplies	458.34
Roman Yasinovskyy – Reffing	50.00
Rough Country - Steel on Street Shop	12,000.00
Safety X-treme – Supplies	744.40
Shuck-Britson – Bridge Inspection	1,025.00
Sims –UPS, Supplies	91.74
Speicher – Replace Manhole	1,300.00
State Hygenic Lab – Testing	55.00
Superior Welding – Oxygen	21.73
Teamsters – Union Fees	54.24
Testamerica – Lab Tests	74.97
The Paper Corp – Supplies	141.40
Tom Luhman –Firemen Compensation	252.00
Trans Iowa Equip – Guard	467.49
Treasurer, State of Iowa – Sales Tax, State WH	3,980.12
Treat America – Academy	1,204.29
Tritech Forensics – Kits	89.90
Unionland Feed – Deicer	220.00
UnityPoint Clinic – Drug Screening, Dues	87.00
Unum Life Insurance – Disab. & Life Insurance	327.05
Upper Exploreland –Grant Administration	652.46
U.S. Postal –Util Billing,	383.26
VWR – Lab Supplies	79.02
Wertjes Uniforms – Uniforms	843.22
West Union Chamber – Hotel/Motel Payment	2,443.56
West Union Community Develop - Hotel/Motel Payment	2,500.00
West Union Hardware – Supplies	338.90
West Union Motor Supply – Supplies	156.87
West Union Shell – Fuel	930.02
West Union Vet – Boarding	91.50
YSI – Probe	704.98
Total Payroll	<u>61,124.43</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 385,505.69

RECAP OF DECEMBER RECEIPTS

General	\$ 141,314.72
Util Billing	<u>63,221.53</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 204,536.25

Next Council Meeting Next regular council meeting will be held Monday, February 3rd, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. for a regular council meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

KENT HALVERSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amie Johansen, Deputy City Clerk