

Council Chambers, City Hall, April 15th, 2013, 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met April 15th, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. in Council Chambers with Mayor Kent Halverson presiding. The meeting began with citing the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance	Roll call: Present – Council members Lauer, Gumm, Granger and Bemiss Absent: Guenther
Approval of the Agenda	Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Gumm, to approve the agenda as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of the Minutes	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve minutes of the April 1st, 2013 regular meeting. All Aye. Carried.
Public Hearing Police Vehicle Lease	This is the time & place set for the Public Hearing for the Police Vehicle lease with Deery Brothers. Vagts advised the current 2007 and 2009 cars would be kept for city use due to low trade-in. After no comments were received, motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Lauer, seconded by Gumm. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Resolution 2013-35 - Approving Police Vehicle Lease with Deery Brothers	Motion was made by Bemiss, seconded by Gumm, to approve Resolution 2013-35, approving a 4-year lease with Deery Brothers for 3 Tahoes for the Police Department as presented, with the change to trade-in only the 2006 vehicle. The 2007 and 2009 will be used for city use and airport courtesy car. All Aye. Carried.
Public Hearing On Lease for Airport Cropland	This is the time & place set for the Public Hearing for the 6.8 acres of cropland on the west end of the West Union Airport. No comments were received. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to close the Public Hearing. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Resolution 2013-36 To Enter Into Lease for the Airport Cropland	Gumm requested we add verbage to the contract “to replace nutrients in the ground after crop yield”, and he will provide the wording used most often with farmers. Highest bid of the 3 was Andrew Vagts, for \$1700 per year(\$250.00 per acre), or the option to pay \$850 April 1 st and November 1 st ; contract is for one year. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Bemiss, to approve the lease agreement with revision as stated above. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Franchise Fees with Black Hills Energy	Sandy Koenig, Erin Yauslin, Mark Ernst, and Laura Roussell of Black Hills Energy explained how Franchise Fees could be another revenue source for the City by reverting the local option sales tax percentage to be paid directly to the City rather than going to Des Moines and dispersing as they currently do. The city would need to decide a percentage fee to be requested, develop a Revenue Statement, provide a map and list of customers, and hold a Public Hearing to implement. Process takes about 90 days for Black Hills.
Discuss Franchise Fees with Alliant Energy	Keith Sherman and Shawna Sailor explained how Franchise Fees also are available with Alliant. They currently have 43 cities on board. The City’s current agreement expires in 2015, but Alliant would be willing to move up and implement the franchise fee sooner if we choose. A motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Granger, to go ahead and set a Public Hearing for both Black Hills and Alliant franchise fees for June 17 th , 2013 council meeting. All Aye. Carried.
Appoint Tony Osmundson and Emily Koch to Planning & Zoning	Planning and Zoning Commission recommended in their April 3, 2013 meeting to appoint Tony Osmundson and Emily Koch to fill vacancies on the commission for 5-year terms. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Bemiss, to approve the appointments as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Dog Park	Wade and Brandy Schott presented to Council their passion to get a dog park going in West Union by presenting costs, equipment needs, space needed, and also offering to fundraise to get the park going. After much discussion, motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Granger, to table the

issue until more information can be gathered on a potential location. All Aye. Carried.

Approve Payment to Fehr Graham Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Lauer, to approve payment to Fehr Graham for invoice #54595 for \$3,991.50 for Streetscape engineering, and invoice #54591 for \$716.50 for Geothermal Well field engineering as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Motion was then made by Gumm, seconded by Lauer, to approve payment to Fehr Graham for invoice #54592 for \$162.50 for base map, invoice #54593 for \$450 for GIS- Water Distribution mapping, and invoice #54594 for \$807.50 for GIS- Sanitary Sewer mapping. All Aye. Carried.

Discuss 28E with West Union District Energy, LLC for Lease of Geothermal Infrastructure After lots of discussion on the specifics of how the city-owned infrastructure should be leased to the LLC, a motion was made by Bemiss, seconded by Gumm, to table the issue until questions are answered. All Aye. Carried.

Ordinance 574- Buildings in Central Business District Vagts advised he put this on the agenda to review Planning & Zoning's recommendation on the changes, of which they feel is too restrictive. Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Bemiss, to deny this version of the ordinance. All Aye. Carried.

Discuss Chapter 61 Traffic Control Devices Mayor Kent Halverson asked for this to be on the agenda to discuss Children at Play signs in the community. Currently, the Police Chief reviews criteria to add signs as needed, such as width of street, obstacles that would obstruct the view of motorist and children, and size of playable area in the yard. Starks advised he has a limited budget for the rest of this year for more signage. After much discussion, procedure will continue as currently performed, with Davies reviewing with Starks. Randy Petsche offered to purchase 2 signs to go up on East Plum Street.

Approve Liquor Renewal for Spirits & Such Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve liquor license renewal #LE0002128 for Spirits & Such with Class B wine and Class B Beer privileges as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve March Financials Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Gumm, to approve March financials as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve April, 2013 Expenditures Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Bemiss, to approve April, 2013 Expenditures totaling \$328,008.66 as presented. All Aye. Carried.

CLAIMS LIST:

Advanced Systems – Maintenance Contract	\$ 347.69
Advanced – Texas – Canon Copier	108.74
Alco – Supplies	18.42
All Stop – Fuel	909.73
Allamakee-Clayton Electric – Electric Service	3,912.54
Alliant Energy – Electric Service	7,166.42
Amazon/GE Money – Library Books	172.42
Amie Johansen – Mileage	25.76
April Wilker – Refund Soccer Fee	75.00
Barco – Warning Light	50.00
Baumler Imp. – Repairs	1,418.53
Black Hawk County Health – Concession Permit	67.50
Black Hills – Gas Service	2,289.68
Blue Cross & Blue Shield – Health Insurance	16,938.12
Bodensteiner Implement – Parts	78.18
Bunn's – Garbage Service	150.00
California Contractors – Supplies	89.70
Celebrate Iowa – Book	38.00
CenturyLink – Phone	838.43
Chemsearch – Supplies	304.28
Cindy Bilden – Clean City Hall	50.00
City Laundry – Shop Towels & Uniforms	250.72
Continental Research – Supplies	271.46
Digital-Ally – Battery	40.00

EFTPS – Fed/FICA Taxes	11,317.30
Easton’s Water – Salt	9.00
Echo Valley MetalWorks – Supplies	14.45
Fauser Energy Resources – Diesel	2,378.02
Fay. Co. Econ. Develop – Hotel/Motel Tax	715.88
Fay. Co. Recycling – Recycling Fees	7,458.00
Fay. Co. Road – Brine	225.00
Fayette Co. Union – Publication Fees	273.45
FCSWM – Landfill Fees	20,259.70
Fehr Graham – Engineering Fees	14,622.00
First National Bank – Pymt on Aquatic Center	11,419.58
Fisher Scientific – Flask	292.34
Flight Lights – Runway Lights	227.75
Gage & Gage – Heater	623.57
Grainger – Boot Covers	24.11
Hach – Chemicals	370.74
Haven Electronics – Shipping, Supplies	243.07
Hawkins – Cylinders	157.00
Health – Subscription	12.00
Ia Dept of Transportation – Blade Drag	72.10
IA DNR – Doug Test	30.00
Ingram – Books	700.30
Iowa Referee Committee – Coach Clinic	285.00
IPERS – IPERS Payment	7,658.40
Jay’s Automotive – Repairs	163.10
Jim Davies – Dental Claim	866.41
John Deere Credit Union – Norby’s Receipts	307.29
K2 Construction – Geothermal Well Fields	58,872.45
Laine Aeschliman – Refund Soccer	75.00
Lechtenberg – Snow Pusher	93.00
Leslie Lauer & Sons – Hauling Snow	568.75
Main Street West Union – Façade Grant Reimbursement	15,745.00
Martin’s Flag – Flags	143.49
Mastercard – Software, Training, EPA Travel, P & R Conf.	947.05
Mediacom –Internet	65.90
Midwest Breathing – Air Tests	540.11
Moore’s – Supplies	91.52
NAPA – Parts	293.97
NEIA Soccer League – Soccer Fees	485.00
NIACC – Police Training	120.00
North American Salt – Salt	1,851.04
Presto – Rodent Control	33.63
Quad County Fire School – Fire School	100.00
Reggie Gross – Airport Manager	494.40
Rite Price – Office Supplies	376.45
Robert Blockhus – Dental Claim	159.00
Robert Vagts – Dental Claim	381.00
Spahn & Rose – Paint	57.72
State Hygenic Lab – Testing	51.00
Take a Shot – Training Supplies	325.00
Testamerica – Wastewater Testing	74.97
Tom Luhman –Firemen Compensation	452.00
Trans Iowa Equipment – Repairs	6,348.08
Treasurer, State of Iowa – Sales Tax, State WH	3,672.67
Truck Country – Supplies	171.84
Upper Exploreland – CDBG Grant Administration	333.97
U.S. Postal –Util Billing	428.60
Usgaard & Smith – Supplies	8.09
Waterloo Tent & Tarp – Permabrella Bows	1,114.30
West Union Chamber – Hotel/Motel Tax	447.48
West Union Comm Develop. – Hotel/Motel Tax	2,500.00
West Union Energy District – User Fee-Library	250.00
West Union Hardware – Supplies	67.70
West Union Motor Supply – Supplies	185.68
West Union Shell – Fuel	1,740.84
Wettstein Brothers – Alarm Repair	2,132.52
Wilbur Ford – Repairs	204.84

Woodard Insurance – 2013 Insurance	72,725.00
Total Payroll	<u>36,711.72</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 328,008.66

RECAP OF MARCH RECEIPTS

General	\$ 429,068.96
Util Billing	<u>61,048.57</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 490,117.53

Next Council Meeting Next council meeting will be held Monday, May 6th, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in council chambers.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

KENT HALVERSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amie Johansen, Deputy City Clerk