

Council Chambers, City Hall, January 18, 2016, 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met January 18, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. in Council Chambers with Mayor Kent Halverson presiding. The meeting began with citing the Pledge of Allegiance.

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| Attendance   | Roll call: Present – Council members Keller, Granger, Gumm(joined later), Smith, and Stansbery. Absent: None  |
| Approval of the Agenda                                   | Motion was made by Granger, seconded by Stansbery, to approve the agenda as presented. All Aye. Carried.  |
| Approval of the Minutes                                  | Motion was made by Keller, seconded by Stansbery, to approve minutes of the January 4, 2016, regular meeting as presented. All Aye. Carried.  |
| Approve Mike Moser Voluntary Retirement                  | Mike Moser has accepted the Voluntary Retirement package presented in Resolution 2016-20. His last day of work will be January 20, 2016, and then he will use vacation until March 1, 2016. Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Granger, to accept as presented. All Aye. Carried. Council Thanked Mike for his almost 33 years of service.   |
| Approve 5-Year Contract with Municipal Pipe Tool Company | Sewer Superintendent, Scott Johansen, advised Council this would be the next phase from the smoke testing to televise lines and find leaks. With signing the contract, they have reduced their fees for services. Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Keller, to approve as presented. All Aye. Carried.  |
| Department Review For Capital Project Budget Requests    | Each department presented capital project/equipment requests for Council to review for the 2016-2017 Budget. The main items are: Library – water issues above door need repair & recaulk all windows; Airport- may apply for State Grant for Fuel System(\$120,000), replace the roof, and seal coat parking lot; Cemetery-new mower (\$26,000); Street – replace 1994 pickup(\$26,500), new wing and plow(\$16,000), Franklin Bridge(our portion \$50,000), and would like to do a street project on E. Plum with some of the LOST funds; Water – 2 fire hydrants (\$6,600), GPS handheld unit(\$7,000), trade in 2008 truck and plow and share cost with Sewer(\$11,102), paint water tower(\$300,000); Sewer – Replace Auto Controls at Lift Station, Replace Wear Shoes, half of truck, raise manholes(total \$50,000); City Hall – replace parking lot/sidewalk and add handicap parking/walking(\$200,000); Police – Lease on Tahoes(30,000), Paperless system(\$5,000); Fire – 2 year project to repair roof and add insulation and steel(\$10,000), New fire truck(\$392,000) |
| Approve Fire Dept. Tanker/Pumper Purchase                | Fire Chief, Roger Gamm, once again requested to proceed with purchasing the new tanker/pumper which would require initial payment by January 31, 2016. Union Trustee Gary Bishop stressed to the Council and Fire that they do not have the funds at this time to purchase. The best they can do each year is \$7,000. The truck is currently at 22 years in service, and Gamm advised he likes to follow NRPA recommendations to remove a truck from service at 25 years. He asked for a plan to get this truck, as the next one to be replaced is in rotation in 8 years. Tom Luhman advised of a possible \$150,000 FEMA loan at 0%, which will be open to apply for in March, 2016. Stansbery made a motion to approve the purchase in the 2016-2017 budget, Smith seconded. Keller-No, Granger-No, Gumm-No, Smith-Yes, Stansbery-Yes. Motion failed. It was then stated by several Council, they would like to see this on the 2017-2018 budget. Luhman asked that a rep from the Fire Department be included in future meetings with the Townships.                             |
| Discuss Cemetery Maintenance and Bids for Mowing         | Street Superintendent, Rory Starks, put together parameters for bidding the mowing at the Cemetery, stating it would be a savings, as long as the service and care is there. Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Granger, to Take bids and review once we receive them to decide which way to proceed. Gumm-No, Smith-Aye, Keller – Aye, Stansbery-Aye, Granger-Aye. Carried. Teresa Pape will put the ad together and submit to the Union.   |
| Approve Payment To Blazek for Recirculation Valves       | Scott Johansen advised valves are all in and working well; this should help with Ammonia levels. Motion was made by Granger, seconded by Keller, to approve payment to Blazek for \$82,245 less the retainer of \$4,112.25 for a total of \$78,132.75 on pay estimate number one for construction of the recirculation valves at the wastewater treatment plant. All Aye. Carried.  |

Accept the WWTP Recirculation Valve Replacement Project Fehr Graham recommends accepting the completed project, which will start the 2-year maintenance bond. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Keller, to accept the project as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve Pay to Blazek's for Retainage The retainage of \$4,112.25 should be held for 30 days as per the contract. Motion was made by Granger, seconded by Stansbery, to approve holding the retainage as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve December Financials Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Gumm, to approve the December financials as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve January Expenditures Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Keller, to approve January expenditures totaling \$209,729.23 as presented. All Aye. Carried.

CLAIMS LIST:

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| Advanced Electric – Repair Poles           | \$ 284.20   |
| Advanced Systems – Copy Leases             | 328.46      |
| AgVantage – LP                             | 99.00       |
| All Stop – Fuel                            | 269.11      |
| Allamakee-Clayton Elec. – Electric Service | 3,558.36    |
| Alliant Energy – Electric                  | 8,035.95    |
| Amazon/GE Money – Books                    | 46.80       |
| Baumler Imp. – Supplies                    | 77.00       |
| Black Hills – Gas Service                  | 1,733.36    |
| Blazek – Bypass Line                       | 6,210.00    |
| Blue Cross & Blue Shield- Health Insurance | \$12,527.36 |
| Bodensteiner – Parts                       | 66.58       |
| BP Express – Fuel                          | 153.56      |
| Bunn's – Garbage                           | 105.00      |
| CenturyLink – Phone                        | 818.51      |
| Child Support – Wage Deduction             | 245.50      |
| City Laundry – Shop Towels & Uniforms      | 497.45      |
| City of Fayette – Garnishment              | 400.00      |
| Dale Bilden – Janitorial                   | 200.00      |
| Dependable Solutions – Onsite Computer     | 700.00      |
| Detroit Industrial Tool – Safety Glasses   | 122.96      |
| DGR Engineering – Fees                     | 34,265.88   |
| Doug Harris – Dental                       | 323.00      |
| E.F.T.P.S- Payroll Taxes                   | 12,409.15   |
| Elwood, O'Donohoe, Braun and White – Legal | 450.00      |
| Fausser – Diesel                           | 1,914.96    |
| Fay. Co. Auditor – Geothermal              | 105.47      |
| FCLHTF – Housing match                     | 4,065.55    |
| Fay. Co. Recorder – Recording Fees         | 66.00       |
| Fay. Co. Recycling – Qtrly Fees            | 7,458.00    |
| Fayette Co. Union – Publication Fees       | 174.86      |
| Fayette Publishing – Lifeguard Ads         | 86.70       |
| FCSWM – Landfill Fees                      | 20,333.91   |
| Fehr Graham – Engineering                  | 2,204.80    |
| Fisher Scientific – Triode                 | 294.28      |
| Global Software – Final Tac10              | 660.00      |
| Hach – Chemicals                           | 105.33      |
| Hawkins – Cylinders                        | 257.50      |
| HD Supply – Supplies                       | 690.00      |
| IA Dept of Revenue – Payroll Deduction     | 300.00      |
| Ingram – Books                             | 156.31      |
| Iowa History Journal – Subscription        | 18.95       |
| Iowa League of Cities – Budget Wkshp       | 120.00      |
| Iowa Peace Officers Assoc – Fees           | 35.00       |
| Iowa Prison – Street Signs                 | 177.75      |
| Iowa Pump Works – Service Agreement        | 678.40      |
| IPERS – IPERS Payment                      | 7,430.94    |
| Jay's – Tire Repair                        | 12.00       |
| Jeannie Hamilton – Basketball Tourney      | 100.00      |
| John Deere Credit Union – Supplies         | 302.80      |
| Kathy Guyer – Vision Claim                 | 823.45      |

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| Keltek – Paperless System Fees                 | 16,516.47        |
| Lee Barness – Vision                           | 298.00           |
| LeRoy Soppe – Airport, Fire                    | 509.23           |
| Loomis – Water Heater                          | 459.51           |
| Martin Brothers – Towels                       | 113.46           |
| Mediacom – Internet                            | 135.85           |
| Mike Heins – Repairs                           | 3,908.60         |
| Moss Service Center – Oil Change               | 38.95            |
| NAPA – Parts                                   | 377.44           |
| Ogden Publications – Subscription              | 27.00            |
| OverDrive – Fees                               | 1,000.00         |
| Police Legal Science – Training                | 480.00           |
| Popular Science – Subscription                 | 21.97            |
| Quillin’s – Supplies                           | 24.56            |
| Rite Price – Office Supplies                   | 188.52           |
| Scott Johansen – Dental                        | 366.00           |
| Sims TV – UPS, Supplies                        | 29.87            |
| Smithsonian Magazine – Subscription            | 11.00            |
| Spahn & Rose – Supplies                        | 2,298.71         |
| State Hygenic Lab – Testing                    | 57.00            |
| Strahm Hardware – Kit Scraper                  | 15.95            |
| Superior Welding – Oxygen                      | 240.00           |
| SuperLandscapes – Cemetery Wall                | 4,800.00         |
| Teamsters – Union Dues                         | 44.00            |
| TestAmerica – Testing                          | 111.20           |
| Tom Luhman –Firemen Compensation               | 692.00           |
| Trans Iowa Equip – Supplies                    | 508.44           |
| Treasurer, State of Iowa – Sales Tax, State WH | 3,950.14         |
| Union Drug – Pictures                          | 79.80            |
| US Cell – Phones                               | 290.36           |
| U.S. Postal –Util Billing                      | 345.80           |
| Verizon – Phone Alarms                         | 64.34            |
| Wertjes – Uniforms                             | 293.64           |
| WU Chamber – Hotel/Motel                       | 820.00           |
| WU Comm Develop – Hotel/Motel                  | 819.50           |
| WU District Energy – Geothermal                | 165.00           |
| WU Hardware – Supplies                         | 60.86            |
| WU Motor Supply – Supplies                     | 108.56           |
| WU Motors – Repairs                            | 34.55            |
| WEX Bank – Fuel                                | 665.27           |
| Total Payroll                                  | <u>36,257.53</u> |
| TOTAL CLAIMS                                   | \$ 209,729.23    |

RECAP OF DECEMBER RECEIPTS

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| General        | \$ 140,684.88    |
| Util Billing   | <u>67,209.58</u> |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | \$ 207,894.46    |

Change February Council Dates      Due to the Iowa Caucus on February 1, 2016, motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Gumm, to change February meetings to the 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
All Aye. Carried.

Next Council Meeting      Next regular council meeting will be held Monday, February 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in council chambers.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

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KENT HALVERSON, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
AMIE JOHANSEN, Deputy City Clerk