

Council Chambers, City Hall, June 3, 2013, 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met June 3rd, 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, Guenther, Granger and Bemiss Absent: None
Approval of the Agenda	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Granger, to approve the agenda as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Crushed Concrete for Kaleidoscope	Norm Einck requested a few moments from the council to discuss the crushed concrete the City has. He asked council to consider donating that for the base of the new Kaleidoscope Kids building, driveway and sidewalk. Einck estimates needing 4800 tons. Rory Starks advised he has 10-11,000 tons, which is more than what he needs for City projects. Einck would seek in-kind donations to haul. Cost to crush the concrete was \$5.00/ton. To date \$1.3mm has been fundraised for Kaleidoscope Kids Daycare; the shortfall is about \$300,000. Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Gumm, to put on the agenda for the July 1 st meeting when the soil testing should be complete. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of the Minutes	Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Gumm, to approve minutes of the May 20th, 2013 regular meeting and the May 28th, 2013 special meeting. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Drainage Ditch with Don Lahey	Don Lahey brought to council's attention the continued problem of the drainage ditch at the northeast corner of Pine and Hwy 18, requesting a cost share to repair. Because of it being a state right-of-way, council recommended he contact the state first to see what permits would be needed and what they will require. No further action needed until the state's information is received.
Approve Board Terms for Deb Luhman and Tom Luhman	Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Gumm, approving Deb Luhman to another term on the Cemetery Board through 1/2/2018, and approving Tom Luhman to fill Chuck Broghammer's vacancy on the System Board of Adjustment, term expiring 1/1/2015. All Aye. Carried.
Update on Multi Family Housing Project and Façade Grant	Main Street Director, Robin Bostrom, advised council that bids are due on June 6 th , 2013, and then require a 45-day review for the multi-family housing project. Construction should begin mid-July and be complete by January, 2014. The project has a 10-year contract to provide 51% of the housing to HUD LMI standards. The Façade program is a \$500,000 grant to share among 11 businesses for front façade improvements. Construction should start approximately September 1 st , and be complete by May or June, 2014.
Approve Payment to Upper Exploreland	Motion was made by Lauer, seconded by Guenther, to approve payment to Upper Exploreland for invoice #30 for \$704.65 for CDBG grant administration, and invoice #22 for \$1057.50 for DOE grant administration. All Aye. Carried.
Adopt Ordinance 575- Adding New Service Hookup Fee & Deposit Rates	Vagts advised the ordinance stated a water hookup fee, but did not state the \$100 amount for new hookup service. Also, the current deposit amounts do not cover the average water bills, and need to be raised. Vagts would like to change to a flat deposit fee of \$75, regardless of number in the household. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Bemiss, to approve the second reading of the ordinance as presented. All Aye. Carried. Motion was then made by Guenther, seconded by Gumm, to waive the 3 rd reading of Ordinance 575. All Aye. Carried. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Guenther, to adopt Ordinance 575 as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Approve First Read Of Ordinance 576	Vagts presented Ordinance 576, adding Chapter 57 Urban Chicken under Nuisances and Animal Control, taken primarily from a Cedar Rapids code.

Urban Chickens	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve the first reading as presented, with the stipulation that any quantity higher than the 6 stated would have to come as a petition to council. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Franchise Fee Revenue Purpose Statement	Vagts advised the Public Notice will be in the paper this week to renew the franchise agreement, then can discuss the fees and revenues. Vagts would like to use the widescope that the Iowa Law calls out the funds being used for so we can adjust where our need is. Council would like wording to be for the broadest scope, but would like to see it used for sidewalk replacement first, and then new sidewalks later. Motion was made by Granger, seconded by Guenther, to table until next meeting to act on percents. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Resolution 2013-40 to Vacate Property at End of East Maple Street	Earl Moss requested the city vacate this small parcel of land next to his land. Starks advised the city has no use for it. Motion was made by Guenther, seconded by Lauer, to vacate the property as presented, at the 10 cents per square foot price used in the past. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Resolution 2013-41 Approving Federal Aid for the Bridge Program Project No BROS-8295(602)-8J-33	Vagts advised this is for the bridge replacement just past AgVantage FS. Estimated cost is \$418,500; our share would be approximately \$80,000. We have 3 years to go out to bid, and up to 10 years to complete. Vagts and Biederman would administer the grant. Motion to approve as presented was made by Bemiss, seconded by Gumm. All Aye. Carried.
Approve May, 2013 Financials	Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Bemiss, to approve May, 2013 Financials as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Next Council Meeting	Next council meeting will be held Monday, June 17th, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in council chambers.
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 7:00 P.M.

KENT HALVERSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amie Johansen, Deputy City Clerk