

Council Chambers, City Hall, May 19th, 2014, 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met May 19th, 2014 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, Gumm, Keller, Granger, Bemiss, 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 Stansbery, seconded by Gumm, to approve minutes of the May 5th, 2014 regular meeting. All Aye. Carried.
Discuss Hotel/Motel Tax	Councilman Cathy Bemiss requested council to discuss where the economic dollars will go effective July 1 st , 2014 to see if we could give some to the Rec Center also. The Rec Center is an asset to the City and the people that use it, and she would like to see more of a partnership made between the two entities. Further discussion in June.
Approve Eastbrook Addition Sewer Line	Randy Petsche spoke on behalf of the Unruh’s asking for assistance with the engineering costs as their quote to connect the sewer came back higher. Rory Starks spoke for the Methodist Church agreeing to the easements that would be needed. Unruh would assess a set fee to the 3 lots as they are sold to recoup some of his costs. City would own the sewer line once it is complete. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Granger, to approve the City paying the additional engineering costs as presented, bringing our total to \$44,235. Bemiss-Yes; Stansbery-No; Keller-No; Granger-Yes; Gumm-Yes. Carried.
Discuss Properties at 329 E. Elm and 310 W Elm	Neighbors to the properties listed advised items are still being brought in by previous owner, and also by citizens in the public. City Attorney Jerem White advised what he has done in other cities is put the property out to public bid and require them to take as is and clean the property up within a said timeframe. After some discussion, Stansbery made a motion to have city resources clean up the outside and then put out for sealed bids, Granger seconded. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Resol. 2014-23 Entering Into a Lease Of Cropland by Airport Runway	Scott Cannon was the only bid received this time, for the land lease by the runway, which totals 27.5 acres, for \$75/acre until taxiway project is done, and then he would like to fix ruts, and runoff and reseed, at which time he will give \$150/acre. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Bemiss, to approve Resolution 2014-23 as presented. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Vacating “No Name Street” known as Shanti Town to Cline’s	Kevin and Pam Cline have requested to purchase the section of land which the City owns in between 2 parcels they already own down on S. Pine Street, known as “Shanti Town”. Ruroden advised the City would need an easement for the sewer line along the east side of their property on South Pine Street. Motion to approve vacating as presented, was made by Keller, seconded by Bemiss. All Aye. Carried.
Adopt Ordinance 584 Disposing by Sale & Vacating “Shanti Town”	Cline’s offered to purchase the lot of land for \$600. Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Bemiss, to approve the First Reading of Ordinance 584 as presented. All Aye. Carried. Motion was then made by Gumm, seconded by Stansbery, to waive the 2 nd and 3 rd readings of the Ordinance. All Aye. Carried. Motion to Adopt the Ordinance, was then made by Gumm, seconded by Stansbery. All Aye. Carried.
Approve Resolution 2014-26 Approving Quit Claim Deed For “Shanti Town”	Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Gumm, to approve Resolution 2014-26 regarding the sale by Quit Claim Deed of the vacated area known as “Shanti Town” for \$600. All Aye. Carried.
Snow Report by Rory Starks	Street Superintendent Rory Starks reported we had 23 snow events this winter and 1 ice storm. Snow removal on the downtown sidewalks totaled \$12,920. If you divide that by the 3,435.85 feet, it equals \$3.76/per foot;

current assessment to the businesses is \$1.19/per foot. Starks would like us to consider raising that rate. He is also asking that people do not plow their snow from their driveway and pile it on the curb, as this is city right-of-way. More discussion will be needed before next snow season.

Approve Purchase Of Leaf Vac Starks asked if the Council wanted to continue the leaf pickup program, and they agreed. He then requested to purchase a 2009 Tarco Hurricane 1000 Leaf Vac for \$32,500. Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Granger, to approve the purchase as requested. Starks and Ruroden will decide best financing option. All Aye. Carried.

Approve Hiring Sierra Fox as Reserve Officer Chief Parker requested to hire Sierra Fox as a certified Reserve Officer to be used as needed. Motion was made by Keller, seconded by Bemiss, to approve as presented. Certified Reserve officers receive \$15/per hour compensation with no additional benefits. All voted Aye. Carried.

Approve Adopting 2010 Comprehensive Plan Planning & Zoning have reviewed the West Union portion and did not have any significant changes. Gumm advised the landfill should be corrected to Blackhawk County, not Buchanan County. Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Bemiss, to approve as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve Compensation for Amie Johansen In the Absence of The City Administrator City Administrator Teresa Ruroden presented the difference in payroll if a 20% increase would have been given during the absence of the City Administrator from December 26th through the end of March, 2014, with the total coming to \$1,709.78. A motion was made by Bemiss, seconded by Granger, to approve as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve April Financials Motion was made by Gumm, seconded by Stansbery, to approve the April, 2014 Financials as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Approve May, 2014 Expenditures Motion was made by Stansbery, seconded by Granger, to approve the May, 2014 Expenditures totaling \$265,393.63 as presented. All Aye. Carried.

CLAIMS LIST:

ACCO – Pool Chlorine	\$ 1,276.00
Advanced Systems – Maintenance Contracts	311.99
Alco – Supplies	46.71
Alice Training – Police Training	495.00
All Stop – Fuel	1,522.10
Allamakee-Clayton Electric – Electric Service	3,773.84
Alliant Energy – Electric Service	8,187.25
Amazon/GE – Books	597.62
Amie Johansen – Mileage	57.12
Appliance Plus – Cell Phone Supplies	89.85
BARCO – Shovel	99.16
Baumler Impl. – Rustler, Supplies	11,990.95
Ben Baskerville – Mileage to Academy	2,018.17
Black Hawk County Health – Food License	147.50
Black Hills – Gas Service	2,295.40
Blazek – Fix Water Main	2,094.00
BlueGlobes – Funway Lights	637.53
Brent Hanson - Janitorial	150.00
BRODART – Shelving	161.75
BSN Sports – Supplies	410.53
Bunn’s Services – Garbage	48.00
Capstone Press – Books	956.61
Carpenter Uniform – Uniforms	189.96
Center Point Large Print – Books	60.00
CenturyLink – Phone	784.46
Cindy Bilden – Janitorial	100.00
City Laundry – Shop Towels & Uniforms	408.30
College Subscription – Subscriptions	403.33
Davis Firearms – Glock Supplies	20.00
Decker – Baseball Shirts	484.00

Decorah Mobile Glass – Door Repair	111.36
Digital-Ally – Mirror	45.00
EFTPS – Fed/FICA Taxes	12,117.86
Easton’s – Pool Repair	140.68
Echo Valley Metalworks – Dump Box Repair	77.00
Eli Phillips – Firefighter Class	320.60
Environmental Resource – Nutrients	337.08
Fastenal – Supplies	52.29
Fausser – Diesel	729.30
Fay. Co. Auditor – Geothermal Billing	336.20
Fay. Co. Road – Brine	450.00
Fayette Co. Union – Publication Fees	388.46
Fehr-Graham – Smoke Testing	133.50
First National Bank – Pymt on Aquatic Center	11,251.92
Gale – Books	26.00
General Traffic Controls – Repairs	151.66
Grainger – Cable Tie	45.00
Gundersen Clinic – Physicals	110.75
Hach – Chemicals	89.57
Hawkeye Fire – Fire Extinguisher Service	321.30
Hawkin’s – Cylinders	369.00
HW Wilson – Children’s Core	216.00
Ingram – Library Books	1,529.01
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy – Walker Evaluation	140.00
Iowa One Call – Locates	35.10
IA Park & Rec Assoc – Conference	470.00
Iowa Poetry – 2013 Lyrical Iowa	9.00
Iowa Prison – Signs	59.30
Iowa Soccer Assoc – Registration	461.00
IPERS – IPERS Payment	12,396.64
J&W Auto Body – Repairs	357.19
Jay’s Automotive – Tire Repair	75.98
John Deere Credit Union – Supplies	606.79
Keltek – Siren	12,700.00
Kurt Baumler – Firefighter Class	320.60
LeRoy Soppe – Airport Mgr. Fee	1,018.46
Main St. West Union – Façade Grant Pass Thru	57,938.00
Martin Brothers – Towels	69.36
Mastercard – Travel, Ebook Reader	1,529.51
Matt Parrott & Sons – Utility Bills	625.35
Mediacom – Internet	205.80
Midwest Breathing – Air Test	122.50
Midwest Cleaning – Supplies	153.25
Mike Heins – Sump Pump Repair	533.13
Moss Service Center – Repairs	70.00
NAPA – Parts	661.29
Northway Well – Cty. Shop Well Repair	3,239.84
Rite Price – Office Supplies	254.90
Rough Country – Steel Roof	6,225.00
Sandry Fire – HUD Receiver, Tests	800.50
Scott Johansen – Meals	27.67
Simple & Delicious – Subscription	19.98
Spahn & Rose – Supplies	66.53
State Hygenic Lab – Testing	55.00
Superior Welding – Acetylene, Oxygen	80.32
Teresa Ruroden – Mileage	210.56
Testamerica – Wastewater Testing	74.97
Tom Luhman –Firemen Compensation	992.00
Trafficguard Direct – Helix Lock Post	1,050.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa – Sales Tax, State WH	5,264.32
Treat America – Meals at Academy	1,216.46
Tri-County Refrigeration – Repairs, Geo Insallation	35,889.70
UnityPoint Clinic – Drug Tests	37.00
Unum Life Insurance – Disab & Life Insur	253.11
US Cell – Cell Phones	1,099.50
U.S. Postal –Util Billing	351.90
UsGaard & Smith – 2 Mowers & Parts	1,000.00

Utility Equipment – Parts	962.13
Verizon Wireless – Monthly Alarm Fee	63.74
VWR – Supplies	280.63
Walvatne Electric – Repairs	112.04
Wertjes Uniforms – Supplies	475.50
West Union District Energy – Geothermal Insur.	336.84
West Union Hardware – Supplies	53.39
West Union Motor Supply – Supplies	586.51
West Union Motors – Oil & Lube	146.82
West Union Shell – Fuel	1,284.85
Wettstein – Repairs	4,971.67
Total Payroll	<u>38,185.33</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 265,393.63

RECAP OF APRIL RECEIPTS

General	\$ 699,774.75
Util Billing	<u>59,997.32</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 759,772.07

Next Council Meeting Next council meeting will be held Monday, June 2nd, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in council chambers.

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 7:42 P.M.

KENT HALVERSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amie Johansen, Deputy City Clerk