

Council met in regular session. Members present were: Tim Harbach, Kevin Korsmo, Diane Herman, Nathan Shepard, and Rodney Haerther. Absent: Mayor Becker. Mayor Pro Tem Korsmo called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Also present: Amber Bell City Clerk, DaShawn Wilson, Deputy City Clerk, Mike Jennings Public Works Director, Todd Damon Public Works, Kelli Scott and Nick Eisenbacher from Snyder and Associates, resident Jim Herzberger, resident Ron Woeste and resident Nate Woodly.

Herman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which included the minutes of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, and the list of bills to be approved. The motion was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, Haerther. Nay: None. Motioned carried.

<b>Bills Approved April 18th, 2016</b>		
Amber Bell	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,579.28
Mike Jennings	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,618.49
Todd Damon	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,195.40
Da Shawn Wilson	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 868.55
Affinity Care, Inc.	Iowa League of Cities Dues	\$ 16.80
Bobcat	Parks Supplies	\$ 103.34
Chase	Microsoft Office	\$ 50.00
Chase	Postage	\$ 173.06
CLIA Laboratory User Fees	Certificate Fee Fire Department	\$ 150.00
ECICOG	Comprehensive Plan Update	\$ 616.00
Hawkins	Water Treatment	\$ 616.75
IPERS	Employee Benefits	\$ 2,634.27
John Deere Financial	Operations Supplies	\$ 41.25
Keystone	Water Testing	\$ 514.18
LB Anderson Agency	Insurance Premiums	\$ 48,170.00
Linn County Rural Electric Cooperative	Utilities	\$ 538.45
Marco	Office Equipment	\$ 140.40
MidAmerican	Fire Department	\$ 59.27
MidAmerican	City Utilities	\$ 352.15
Municipal Emergency Services	Fire Department	\$ 233.00
P&K Midwest	Parks Supplies	\$ 171.52
Snyder & Associates	Ridgeview Addition Engineering	\$ 2,311.20
Staples	Office Supplies	\$ 80.98
The Depot Express	Fire Department	\$ 398.44
The Depot Express	Road Supplies	\$ 194.10
U.S Cellular	Telephone Expense	\$ 141.20
Wellmark	Health Insurance	\$ 1,684.76
<b>Library</b>		
Cathy Becker	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,058.35
Vicky Myers	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 163.47
Chase	Postage	\$ 19.09
Chase	Books	\$ 786.23
D.P Properties	Cleaning Service	\$ 240.00
IPERS	Employee Benefits	\$ 491.81

MidAmerican	Utilities	\$ 115.38
Wellmark	Health Insurance	\$ 922.41

Discussion on the engineers report. The contractor for the WWTP are submitting product orders and Snyder and Associates have staked out the land. We are expected to break ground around the first part of May 2016. The council also discussed the drainage on Ridgeview Addition.

Herman made a motion to pass a resolution to set the Public Hearing for a General Obligation State Revolving Fund Loan in the amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00. The motion was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, Haerther. Nay: None. Motioned carried.

The council had more discussion on how much to use in general obligation vs SRF loan for the WWTP. The council also discussed other sewer rates and fees that may be help fund the WWTP.

The council discussed the lawn care options and reviewed quotes to maintain city properties. Harbach made a motion to accept the quotes from Linn CO-OP Lawn Care. They had very competitive pricing and have supported this community. The motion was seconded by Shepard. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, Haerther. Nay: None. Motioned carried.

The council discussed creating a Parks and Recreation board through the city. Bell and Wilson will continue to research other communities to see the pros and cons to different structures. The council will look at forming a sub-committee that will start forming the structure and discussing by laws and things of that nature for the board. Once a basic structure is formed that council would like public input as well.

A motion was made by Haerther and seconded by Harbach to approve the Liquor and Wine License fir the Depot Express. The council had previously approved a Liquor license for The Depot Express but they decided to add wine to the license, and was needing it to be reapproved by the council. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, Haerther. Nay: None. Motioned carried.

The council opened the meeting up for other business. Wilson brought up having a city sponsored Atkins Family Fun Night on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016. This may include a gathering that afternoon in the city, from their families can head to a night at the stadium for a Kernel's baseball game. More details will be coming along with how and where to purchase discounted tickets.

Next Saturday volunteers will be helping to set up a Frisbee golf course at the soccer fields. Jennings brought that one of our pumps at our lift station was struck by lightning. The pump is down, and only one pump remains operational. The cost to repair the pump is near 13K and the cost of low end replacement is 15K. The council discussed both options. We look more into other option as well. A resident raised concerns about residents burning leaves in the city. The council will be discussing this future during the process of going through all to city codes.

Harbach made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Herman. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried. The next regular council meeting will be on Monday, May 2nd, 2016 at City Hall, 480 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, starting at 7:30 PM.

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Mayor David Becker

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amber Bell,  
City Clerk/ Treasurer