

City of Ida Grove  
City Hall  
May 16, 2016

Mayor Hurd called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Council Members present: Scott Tomlinson, Doug Clough, Jeff Buehler, Paul Cates and Ryan Goodman. Others present were: City Clerk Ball, Attorney Goldsmith, Kim Carnine, Billy Carnine, Sterling Weeda, Cheryl Gray, and Bethany Jones.

Kim Carnine provided photos for a bench she and her family want to place on the hiking trail in memory of her husband and former Council Member Bill Carnine. The bench would be stainless steel and be maintenance free. They proposed placing it near the 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Street Bridges which was a project Bill worked on as a Council Member. Motion by Council Member Goodman to approve the Carnine Family's commemorative bench plans in memory of former Council Member Bill Carnine, second by Council Member Clough. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

Council Member Doug Clough spoke for Nikki Ehrig who was unavailable to attend the council meeting on the Girl Scouts Color Run that will be held on Heritage Day weekend. He explained the event will include running on the trail and will cross streets where volunteers will be to ensure safety of the participants. '

Sterling Weeda, Schlessman Seed, requested consideration for him to place a gate in the city fence at the well site to allow safe access to the field south of the well site where he is planting seeds for popcorn that will be harvested by hand. He will pay and also install the gate. Motion by Council Member Buehler to approve Sterling Weeda, Schlessman Seed, to install a gate in the fence at the City Well site, second by Council Member Goodman. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

John Keim was not at the meeting, but the City Council discussed semi-tractor parking in town noting this issue had been discussed by previous councils. It was noted semi-tractors could park on their own property and not on City streets. Also, it was considered previously to accommodate the owner/drivers at the maintenance shop, but this became a difficulty when arriving late at night.

Motion by Council Member Buehler to approve the consent agenda consisting of the claims list, City Clerk's report, financial reports, the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Minutes, financial reports for the Fire Department, Rec Center, and Library, and a liquor license refund acceptance from July 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup> for Ida Bowl-Hideway Lounge, second by Council Member Tomlinson. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

Council Member Clough reported Council Member Paul Cates will work in tandem with Dennis Clausen as a co-project manager for the theatre renovation.

Council Member Goodman reported the meeting to review the website was impressive as it integrates some of the community organizations. The plan is to have the City review the content of the new site on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Attorney Goldsmith reported Russell Sandbothe is working to get his trailers set-up appropriately and indicated he will not finish the skirting until the water connections are finished. The street and water lines in the trailer park are owned by Sandbothe.

The Council discussed Scott Van Dusen's building noting it is no longer eligible to be in the Downtown Revitalization project because of federal regulations. It was

suggested to contact a contractor who does tuck pointing for suggestions/ideas on the outside wall.

The Council discussed the alley off of 7<sup>th</sup> Street noting a property owner had expressed concern that a retaining wall to keep the rock in the alley would be an issue for any large trucks using the alley.

The Council discussed the West Access and the 70-acre industrial park and an RFP for searching for an engineering firm will be prepared by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

The City Clerk reported the data needed for the flood map analysis was given to Steffen Engineering firm who will be reviewing and providing a scope of work and costs to the City for the next council meeting.

The Council discussed the Library's leaking roof issues and noted the Outdoor Pool Bathhouse is also leaking. Council Member Cates will contact a contractor to check both roofs.

Motion by Council Member Goodman to approve Partial Payment Application #7 for \$237,142.82 to Godbersen Smith Construction for work on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Street Bridges, second by Council Member Tomlinson. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Clough to approve payment application #4 for \$73,923.28 to Cornerstone for work on the Downtown Revitalization project, second by Council Member Goodman. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Buehler to approve hiring Karman Reitz as the Utility Billing Clerk at \$14.00 per hour, second by Council Member Goodman. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Goodman to approve \$10.00 per hour for summer mowing work, second by Council Member Clough. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

The Kiwanis Foundation plans to formally donate the new ball field complex to the City on May 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m.

Attorney Goldsmith provided a draft of the ballfield concession stand agreement which will be included on the council agenda for the next meeting.

Motion by Council Member Clough to adjourn, second by Council Member Tomlinson. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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Morris C. Hurd, Mayor

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Edith Ann Ball, City Clerk