

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting October 15, 2008

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, October 15, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Fox presided and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members answering roll call were Al Friederich, Jan Parkin, Troy Stover, Norm Rizer and Jackie Opperman.

Friederich moved and seconded by Rizer to approve the agenda. All voted in favor and motion passes.

Mayor Fox opened the Housing Rehab public hearing at 6:03pm. The Mayor asked if there were any objections or comments received. There were no objections or comments, so the public hearing was closed at 6:04pm. Friederich moved to put \$16,000 into the housing rehab project, which would be \$2,000 per property for 8 properties. Stover seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes. Opperman moved to approve Resolution No. 08-38 Resolution of Strawberry Point, Iowa authorizing the expenditure of funds to be applied to local match for a Housing Fund Grant Application. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Rizer, Friederich, Opperman, Stover and Parkin. Nays: None. Resolution passes. Council also reviewed a housing needs assessment. Parkin moved to approve the housing needs assessment. Rizer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

Mayor Fox opened the public hearing for Proposed Issuance of Health Care Facility Revenue Refunding at 6:17 PM. There were no comments or objections. The public hearing was closed at 6:18 PM. Rizer moved to approve Resolution No. 08-37 Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of Health Care Facility Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2008 in an aggregate not to exceed \$1,600,000. Stover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Opperman, Parkin, Rizer and Friederich. Nays: None. Resolution No. 08-37 passes.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5) Minutes from October 1st
- 6) Claims and additional claims
- 7) Resolution No. 08-36 Public Participation Rules for Strawberry Point, Iowa City Council Meetings

Friederich moved to approve the consent agenda. Opperman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Friederich, Opperman, Rizer, and Stover. Nays: None. Consent agenda passes.

INFORMATION

Council received Library Board minutes from September 22nd and a copy of the 2007 Water Fluoridation Quality Award. They also received information from the Clayton County Development Group and September month-end financial information. Additionally, the council received information from Tekippe Engineering about a Geographic Information System.

NEW BUSINESS

Council received four wetland delineation cost proposals. A wetland delineation study is needed to proceed with a proposed access road while Highway 13 is being constructed, even if it is just a gravel road. There was a lot of discussion about why this is needed and if only closing one lane at a time could be considered. The council would like to have a representative from the DOT come to a council meeting to address issues that the council have about the upcoming road construction before any more expenses are incurred on the access road.

Since October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Mayor Dale Fox read a proclamation declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Parkin moved that we proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Friederich seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

Council reviewed information pertaining to the holiday lighting rebate that has been done in the past. This rebate would give homeowners a \$10.00 rebate for hanging outdoor Christmas lights if they sign up for the rebate. Opperman moved to approve the holiday lighting rebate for \$10.00 per household. Parkin seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

Council reviewed a possible animal license ordinance. Council discussed this and made some minor changes. This will now go to the City Attorney for a formal ordinance to be drawn up.

OTHER BUSINESS

The City received notification from a DOT meeting that the City Administrator and Economic Development Director attended that Strawberry Point will be receiving a RISE grant in the amount of \$118,000 to pave the rest of the road in the Industrial Park. Sidewalks in town that were to be done and not yet complete were discussed. We will need to pressure these residents to comply with the City Code pertaining to sidewalks.

With no further business, Opperman moved to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Stover seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion passes.

Deanna Dement, City Clerk

Dale Fox, Mayor