

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting February 24, 2010

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, February 24, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Fox presided and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members answering roll call were Jan Parkin, Rich Newman, Jacci Meyers, Troy Stover and Jackie Opperman.

Parkin moved to approve the agenda. Stover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Opperman, Stover, Meyers and Newman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 4) Minutes from February 3rd
- 5) Claims plus additional claims
- 6) Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-02 – Resolution Setting the Wages and Salaries for Appointed Officers and Employees of the City of Strawberry Point, Iowa for the Fiscal Year 2009-2010
- 7) Motion to approve Liquor License Renewal for Rod & Cal's Pub & Grub
- 8) Motion to approve Liquor License Renewal for Chaser's Saloon
- 9) Motion to approve Liquor License for Nading's Service
- 10) Motion to approve Liquor License for Franklin Hotel
- 11) Motion to Approve the Appointment of Duane Johnson and Theresa Callahan as Interim Ambulance Service Director
- 12) Motion to Approve Resolution No. 10-03 – Resolution to Transfer Funds from Sewer Surplus Fund to Capital Equipment Improvement Fund CD

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

INFORMATION

The council received January month-end financial reports, Clayton County Development Group information, Tree Board Minutes from January, 2010 and Strawberry Point Library Board Minutes from January 25, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

The Council reviewed an Arbor Day Proclamation proclaiming May 1, 2010 as Arbor Day. Stover moved to approve the proclamation declaring May 1, 2010 as Arbor Day. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Meyers, Newman, Opperman and Parkin. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Strawberry Point Fire Department is requesting permission to sell the fire trailer, since it is no longer needed. The money would go into the Fire Department T&A account for future truck purchases. Stover moved that we approve the Fire Department to sell the trailer to the highest bidder. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Strawberry SAFE Coalition is requesting permission to hold a pool party/dance at the pool on Saturday, June 12 from 8:00 – 12:00 PM for St. Days. Opperman moved that the City provide the lifeguards for this event and the SAFE Coalition may make a donation to the City if desired. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman, Parkin, Stover, and Meyers. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The council discussed many items concerning the pool this summer. Positions for this summer will be manager, assistant manager and lifeguards and these positions will be advertised. Wages were then discussed. Stover moved to keep wages the same as last year; manager \$8.50, assistant manager \$8.25, experienced lifeguards \$7.75 and new lifeguards \$7.50. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nays: None. Motion passes. The pool pass prices were then discussed. Opperman moved to set the pass prices as follows: Family pass \$110, Single pass \$70, Sitter/Companion \$55 and these would be discounted to family pass \$90, single pass \$50, Sitter/Companion \$45 if purchased prior to June 1st and daily passes would increase to \$3.00 for students and \$4.00 for adults. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Stover, Meyers, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes. Opening date was discussed. Opperman moved to open Tuesday, May 25th since swim team will need to begin practice. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Meyers, Newman, Opperman, Parkin and Stover. Nays: None. Motion passes. Hours for the pool were discussed. Newman moved to keep the hours the same as last year; 1:00 – 5:00 PM and 7:00 – 8:30 PM and then 5:00 – 6:00 PM swim team and 6:00 – 7:00 PM lap swim. Opperman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Stover, Meyers, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes. The council discussed purchasing swim wear for the pool employees. Stover moved that we buy 1 uniform for all lifeguards and that they wear the suit that is purchased or a red one that they purchase while on duty. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nay: None. Motion passes. Diving towers for the diving boards were discussed since the State Public Health department is mandating us to install them. Additional information is required so this item is tabled until next meeting.

The City is writing an Energy Efficiency grant and the Clerk is requesting assistance from Upper Explorerland. This assistance would include making sure we are in compliance with the Davis-Bacon and the SHPO requirements and assisting in writing the grant. The cost would be \$500. Parkin moved that we hire UERPC. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Stover, Meyers, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Mayor and Council discussed the upcoming Hay Expo to be held June 16 and 17th 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Hamlett farm outside of Strawberry Point. The City would like to capitalize on this by offering attractions to get people to stop in Strawberry Point. Some possible things the City could offer would be discounted pool prices for those 2 days, having a booth at the Expo or have some type of open house at City Hall. This will be addressed at the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

On March 1st there will be a St. Day's meeting at City Hall at 5:30 PM. There will be a 4H rabbit workshop on March 6th at the Civic Center. We will see if we can get a blinking sign to place welcoming people to Strawberry Point that attend the rabbit workshop.

At this time the council discussed the Executive Session to Discuss Strategy with Council in matters Involving Litigation pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c). Opperman moved to enter closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c). Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Newman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nays: None. Motion passes. Council moved into closed session at 7:13PM. At 7:34 PM Opperman moved that we move out of closed session. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Meyers, Newman, Opperman and Parkin. Nays: None. Motion passes. The City will wait to hear direction from our attorney on how to proceed.

With no further business, Opperman moved to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Newman seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Deanna Dement, City Clerk

Dale Fox, Mayor