

Strawberry Point City Council  
Regular Meeting September 15, 2010

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 5:30 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, Troy Stover, Jacci Meyers, and Jackie Opperman. Rich Newman was absent.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 4) Minutes from September 1<sup>st</sup>
- 5) Claims

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Council reviewed a proposed amendment to the City Code of Strawberry Point to amend the solid waste collection fees. It was acceptable as written so it will go to the City Attorney to be drawn up formally as an ordinance and be ready for the next meeting.

**INFORMATION**

The council received FY10 Annual Financial Report to review. The council also reviewed Planning & Zoning minutes from September 1<sup>st</sup>, Board of Adjustment minutes from July 28<sup>th</sup>, information from DNR concerning emission limits for our Electric Generators and August month-end reports.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The city council reviewed cost proposals for directional boring for installing underground primary lines at Swales Precast and Bard. The cost was \$6800 from West Union Trenching and \$8400 from Bolken. Opperman moved to approve the cost proposal of \$6800 from West Union Trenching. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Stover, Meyers and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council opened one sealed bid for the digger derrick truck for sale from Simon Fire. The bid was for \$5680.68 for the 1983 digger derrick truck. Stover moved to approve the bid for \$5680.68. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Meyers, Opperman and Parkin. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council discussed the date and hours for trick or treating. October 31<sup>st</sup> is a Sunday this year. Meyers moved to set trick or treating on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:30 to 7:00PM. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Meyers, Opperman, Parkin and Stover. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Iowa League of Cities is doing a contest called "If I Was a Mayor". We would like to do our own contest for people with Strawberry Point addresses. The Chamber will offer chamber bucks and the local banks will offer a \$50 savings bond and the City could offer a single pool pass to the winners of the contest. Opperman moved to approve to hold this contest and to offer a single pool pass to the winner from the City. Stover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Starmont choir is taking a trip to Florida in December and as a fund raiser they would like to paint the Starmont Star emblem at the end of people's driveways. The stars would be black and gold and would cost \$25.00. Parkin moved to approve the Starmont Choir to paint Starmont Stars as a fundraiser. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes:

Parkin, Stover, Meyers and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed a Fire Prevention Proclamation declaring October 3-9 as Fire Prevention Week. Opperman moved to approve the Fire Prevention Proclamation. Stover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Meyers, Opperman and Parkin. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed Resolution 10-18 A Resolution Authorizing a Building Site Survey to Occur in the City Limits of Strawberry Point, Iowa. This would cost nothing to the City, but the information would be very beneficial in determining historical districts in the city limits and necessary if applying for any historical grants. Opperman moved to approve Resolution No. 10-18. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Meyers, Opperman, Parkin and Stover. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Fire Department requested permission to write a DNR Forestry grant for pagers and radios. Stover moved to approve writing the DNR Forestry grant. Opperman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Ambulance Board did not meet to discuss the AED purchase so there is no recommendation for the council to consider at this time. This will be addressed at an upcoming meeting.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

On October 1<sup>st</sup> the Strawberry Point Fire Department will have a fire safety house in town. Berry Tender Daycare and Headstart will take tours of the house to teach them fire safety.

The Tree Board gave the City a list of 15 trees to be trimmed or removed. The City employees have other things to do than cut and trim trees. The City should consult with the Cemetery to do the most critical ones first and check to see if we cut them down can someone else cut up the wood for their personal use.

With no further business, Opperman moved to adjourn at 6:16 p.m. Meyers seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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Deanna Dement, City Clerk

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Dale Fox, Mayor