

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting May 4, 2011

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 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 Jacci Meyers, Rich Newman, Jackie Opperman, Troy Stover and Jan Parkin.

Mayor Fox opened the public hearing for the budget amendment for the 2011 fiscal year at 6:01pm. Mayor Fox asked if any oral or written objections had been received. The budget amendment for the general government program was adjusted by \$15,000 to cover the check to cover the lawsuit settlement. Being no objections, the public hearing was closed at 6:02pm. Opperman moved to approve Resolution No. 11-04 – City Budget Amendment and Certification Resolution. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Meyers, Newman, Opperman and Parkin. Nays: None. Budget amendment passes.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- 4) Minutes from April 20th
- 5) Claims

Meyers moved to approve the consent agenda with an additional claim to RPGI \$39,996.48. Newman seconded the motion A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nays: None. Consent agenda passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The council reviewed the third reading of Ordinance No. 11-03 – Floodplain Management Ordinance for the City of Strawberry Point, Iowa. Stover moved to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 11-03. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Parkin, Stover, Meyers and Newman. Nays: None. Ordinance No. 11-03 passes.

INFORMATION

Council received information from Black Hills Energy and March month-end reports and a milestone for Ellen Meyer since she has been on the service for 25 years and taken 1500 calls.

NEW BUSINESS

The Library Director asked the city council to donate a free ice cream treat to all the kids participating in the summer reading program, approximately 40. Meyers moved to approve the donation of 40 free ice cream treats for the summer reading program. Opperman seconded the motion. The City will provide a ticket for each kid to be presented at the pool. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Stover, Meyers, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed 2 old utility accounts that are being requested to write-off due to the statute of limitations and not being able to locate the other person. Opperman moved to approve writing off these two uncollectible accounts. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Meyers, Newman, Opperman and Parkin. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed the cost proposal for new electric meters that will be needed for the new radio read system. The cost proposal was from DSG for \$37,440.00. Parkin moved to approve the purchase of the electric meters. Stover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Meyers, Newman, Opperman, Parkin and Stover. Nays: None. Motion passes.

City had purchased playground equipment. The city received 3 cost proposals for installing and putting the equipment together and installing the footings and the concrete needed since it was rather detailed and getting volunteers to help was a problem. The proposals were from Boland Recreation for \$5,500, Keppler Construction \$7,000, and Groth Construction \$3,750.00. Parkin moved that we accept the bid from Groth Construction as long as he can produce a certificate of insurance with the necessary limits. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman, Parkin, Stover and Meyers. Nays: None. Motion passes.

A new laptop at the city shop is needed. The shop took the old laptop from city hall and it has crashed two times. Newman moved to approve the purchase of the laptop for the city shop for \$435. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Parkin, Stover, Meyers and Newman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council reviewed Resolution No.11-05 to dispose of the Spang barn property. Opperman moved to approve the Resolution No. 11-05. Parkin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Stover, Meyers, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council member Parkin submitted his letter of resignation, since he is moving out of town. Stover moved to approve the resignation of council member Parkin. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Stover, Meyers, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council will appoint a member to take over council member Parkin's position. The appointment will be made at the May 18th meeting at 6:00pm. The appointment will hold the office until December 31st, which is the remainder of Parkin's term.

OTHER BUSINESS

Since the City is receiving the housing rehab grant a housing committee is needed. In the past it has been two council members and then 2 to 4 other people. Council members Newman and Meyers said they will serve on the committee.

With no further business, Opperman moved to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Meyers seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Deanna Dement, City Clerk

Dale Fox, Mayor