

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting August 3, 2011

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 3, 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 Rich Newman, Mike Tucker and Jackie Opperman. Troy Stover and Jacci Meyers were absent.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5) Minutes from July 20th
- 6) Claims
- 7) Motion to Approve the Release of Mortgage for 204 Prairie Avenue

Newman moved to approve the consent agenda with the additional claims to Clayton County Recorder \$12.00, Rod & Cal's \$12.00 (pizza for summer recreation program), Bill's Quik Shop \$13.47 (pizza for summer recreation program), Iowa League of Cities \$185.00 and RPGI \$68,390.26. Tucker seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman and Tucker. Nays: None. Consent agenda passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council reviewed the third reading of Ordinance No. 11-05 An Ordinance to Vacate the Alley in Fults Addition in the City of Strawberry Point, Iowa, between the North Line of Fults Street and the South Line of Lincoln Street. Opperman moved to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 11-05. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Tucker and Newman. Nays: None. Ordinance No. 11-05 passes.

INFORMATION

Council received the 2010-2011 report from the Strawberry Point Public Library, a Thank You from Clayton County Development Group and a Thank You from Substance Abuse Services for Clayton County.

NEW BUSINESS

The City advertised for sealed bids on a 2001 Chevy S-10 and 2001 Chevy 1500 Silverado. The City received two sealed bids. Bids were received from Jim Oelrich for the 2001 S-10 \$2555.00 and for the 2001 ½ ton \$3155.00 and Larry Meyer of Meyer Excavating for the 2001 S-10 \$825.00 and 2001 ½ ton \$1950. Opperman moved to approve the bids for the 2001 S-10 for \$2555.00 and 2001 ½ ton for \$3155.00 from Jim Oelrich. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Tucker, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Supplies are needed to do the electric portion of the Elkader Street project. Quotes for these electric supplies were received from Resco \$28315.08, Stuart Irby \$24543.58 and Power Line Supply \$25287.54 (this quote didn't include everything that is needed). Newman moved to approve bid from Stuart Irby for \$24,543.58. Tucker seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman and Tucker. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The pool employees are requesting permission to hold a midnight swim on Friday, August 12th. Opperman moved and Tucker seconded to allow the pool employees to hold a midnight swim on August 12th. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Tucker and Newman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council member Stover has taken a new job and will be moving out of town. He has submitted his letter of resignation effective immediate. Tucker moved to accept Stover's letter of

resignation. Opperman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Tucker, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Due to the resignation of Council Member Stover an appointment of a new council member will need to be done. Newman moved that we give notice that a new council member will be appointed at the next council meeting, August 17th. Opperman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman and Tucker. Nays: None. Motion passes.

There are some issues that need to be addressed for finalizing the Elkader Street project. These issues include sidewalk assessments, driveways, retaining walls, and sewer service lines. The City required people to repair sidewalks throughout the City. People on Elkader Street that got notice also replaced theirs. If these newly replaced sidewalks are disturbed during road construction should the property owners be required to pay for the repair again? Tucker moved that if sidewalks were previously repaired and they are disturbed during construction the property owners will not have to pay for the repair again. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Tucker and Newman. Nays: None. Motion passes. There are some driveways that encroach on their neighbor's property. There were supposed to be easements for these but they have not been located. Should formal easements be drawn up by the City Attorney for these property owners to sign? Opperman moved to have the City Attorney drawn up easements for these driveways. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Tucker, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes. There is a retaining wall that is in need of replacement at 120 Elkader Street. The property owners are requesting permission to have this removed during the construction process. This will be in the best interest of the property owner since a DOT permit would be required. Newman moved to approve the removal of the retaining wall as part of the project with the cost of removal be assessed to the property owner and that the new wall be replaced by the end of construction season in 2013. Tucker seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman and Tucker. Nays: None. Motion passes. At 122 Elkader Street their sewer service lines are tied into the lines at 120 Elkader Street. Do they have to have separate sewer service lines and have to connect as part of the project? Tucker moved to have separate sewer service lines be stubbed in on the property line with neighbors and a permanent easement will be required as part of the project and property owners can actually connect to the new line at their convenience. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Tucker and Newman. Nays: None. Motion passes. At 316 Elkader Street the existing driveway is over top of the storm sewer. The storm sewer will be moved to the south and the property owner is requesting that the driveway be replaced to match the existing driveway. Opperman moved to approve moving the storm sewer lines to the south and that the driveway will be replaced to match existing driveway. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Tucker, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes. The property owner at 213 Elkader Street is putting in 2 driveways at his house and he is requesting permission to have a drop curb constructed for a third driveway during construction to be utilized at a later date for a third driveway. There is a 25' drainage easement on this property. He wants the drop curb located on the north 15' of this easement. Opperman moved to allow the drop curb to be located on the north 15' of the easement on this property. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman and Tucker. Nays: None. Motion passes. Bids will be let in winter and construction will begin in April. Ryan Wicks, engineer for the project asked if the City would be willing to offer any incentives for early completion or less closure days. This is something for the City to consider. Ryan will run this by the DOT also. Plans will be done by

September or October and will be ready for review and acceptance. Probably no formal public meeting will be held this fall. The project has secured funding so it will go ahead as scheduled.

OTHER BUSINESS

The electricity was off in Strawberry Point for a number of hours on Saturday, July 30th. The City Superintendent provided the council an explanation for the long period of time the electric was off. There were actually two problems that caused the electric to be off as long as it was. An Alliant line coming into the generators had been struck by lightning and so one phase of the electric was not going to the generators, but the generators showed we had full power coming in so they wouldn't start. Alliant dropped us to fix their problem and the generators attempted to start, but then they stopped due to a problem in town. The generators showed that there was also a problem in town, but it doesn't show us where the problem is. They went to the old light plant to see if problem there and found that a relay switchgear had gone bad which stopped the generators from starting. The City apologizes for any inconvenience this caused. The City will look into finishing the electric conversion so we will no longer need the old light plant since the equipment is from the 1930's.

With no further business, Opperman moved to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Newman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Deanna Dement, City Clerk

Dale Fox, Mayor

***Check Summary Register©**

August 11-12

Name	Check Date	Check Amt	
1010 CASH			
UnPaid	ADVANCED SYSTEMS INC	\$46.08	Library Contract
UnPaid	ALLIANT ENERGY	\$2,702.09	Water S Well Pump Electric
UnPaid	BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	\$28.32	Library Books
UnPaid	BANCARD CENTER	\$58.07	Library Summer Reading Supplies
UnPaid	BETH BRASE	\$13.44	Library Mileage
UnPaid	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$1,681.79	Pool Utilities
UnPaid	BOSS BEST OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$77.94	Library Color Printer Ink
UnPaid	CITY OF STRAWBERRY POINT	\$715.14	C Neis Meter Deposit Refund
UnPaid	CLAREYS SAFETY EQUIPMENT I	\$219.36	Fire Auto Eject 15 Amp
UnPaid	COMELEC SERVICES INV	\$53.80	Water Batteries
UnPaid	CORDES & CORELL OIL CO	\$19,135.65	Electric Generator Diesel
UnPaid	DELAWARE COUNTY SOLID WA	\$175.65	Garbage Solid Waste Disposal
UnPaid	DETAILED PLAY PRO	\$139.95	Parks Swing Seats
UnPaid	GALE GROUP	\$88.48	Library Books
UnPaid	HACH COMPANY	\$252.30	Water Pocket Tester Repair
UnPaid	HIGHSMITH	\$161.07	Library Book Covers
UnPaid	IOWA DNR	\$210.00	Sewer Annual Permit Fee
UnPaid	IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIAT	\$5.00	Fire J Klett Membership
UnPaid	KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLE	\$319.00	Fire Training
UnPaid	MANCHESTER SIGNS	\$60.00	Various New Truck Lettering
UnPaid	MICROMARKETING INC	\$214.67	Library Book
UnPaid	MUNTERS TRUE VALUE	\$3.29	Library Supplies
UnPaid	PENWORTHY	\$181.53	Library Books
UnPaid	POOL TECH, INC	\$975.00	Pool Chemicals
UnPaid	RESALE POWER GROUP OF IO	\$68,390.26	wholesale power
UnPaid	RODAS CHEVROLET INC	\$333.95	Water Truck Testing
UnPaid	SARAH KRAY	\$9.86	S Kray Meter Deposit Refund
UnPaid	SCHWANS	\$275.64	Pool Ice Cream
UnPaid	STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA	\$76.16	Library Ebsco Host
UnPaid	STRAWBERRY PRESS JOURNAL	\$340.47	City Hall Advertising
UnPaid	STUART C IRBY CO	\$663.40	Electric Supplies
UnPaid	USA BLUE BOOK	\$173.36	Water Hydrant Flushing Elbow
UnPaid	WILDER MEMORIAL MUSEUM	\$40.00	Library Summer Reading
UnPaid	WINDSTREAM	\$543.45	RUT Phone, Internet
	Total Checks	\$98,364.17	

FILTER: None

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Fund Summary

1010 CASH

001 GENERAL FUND	\$5,349.58
110 ROAD USE TAX	\$168.34
114 T&A ELECTRIC MET DEP	\$525.00
115 T&A WATER MET DEP	\$175.00
322 REHAB HOUSING	\$15.48
600 WATER FUND	\$873.92
610 SEWER FUND	\$2,891.58
630 ELECTRIC FUND	\$88,365.27
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