

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting February 1, 2012

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 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, Jacci Meyers, McKenzie Johnson, Mike Tucker, and Jackie Opperman.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- 4) Minutes from January 18th
- 5) Claims

Newman moved to approve the consent agenda with the additional claims to Strawberry Computing \$100.00, NEIRL \$15.00, Tschiggfrie Excavating \$13194.59, Utility Equipment \$191.57, John Farmer \$524.16, Tracy Crossman \$437.45, Larry Doerring \$508.93, Schlee Masonry \$1450.00, Strawberry Chamber \$27.00, Mark Meyer \$481.50, Bob Maker \$239.00. Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Johnson, Tucker, Newman, Opperman and Meyers. Nays: None. Consent agenda passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The council discussed some items again regarding the Elkader Street. The council reviewed property valuations, special assessment items and the estimated special assessment amounts. They also received a schedule for the project. When taking into consideration the special assessments the proposed special assessments cannot be more than 25% of the valuation of the property if it is then the City cannot collect the difference. There were 6 properties that the value had to be increased to avoid this problem. The following items will be special assessed to the property owners: driveway, sidewalk, sewer and water service lines and retaining wall at one property. The special assessments for the service lines are higher than on the last two projects since we are maintaining access on the roadway. Maintaining access during construction was important to the property owners. The assessments are estimated to be \$351,769.74 and the total project is estimated to be \$696,067. Dorsey and Whitney will prepare the necessary paperwork to do the Resolution of Necessity and then the public hearing approving the special assessments. This project has a late start date of June 18th and the bid letting will be April 17th.

INFORMATION

Council received a thank you from Mission in Christ church for using the civic center building.

NEW BUSINESS

The date for the public hearing for the budget needs to be set. It will be at the first meeting in March at 6:00pm. Meyers moved to set the date for the budget hearing on March 7th at 6:00 PM. Tucker seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Tucker, Newman, Opperman, Meyers and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Jeff got two quotes for electric poles to complete the East side conversion. One quote was from Stuart Irby for 40 poles for \$11,865 and one from Terry Durin for 35 poles for \$11,835. Opperman moved to approve ordering 40 poles from Stuart Irby for \$11,865. Tucker seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Newman, Opperman, Meyers, Johnson and Tucker. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Our current agent of Record is Norm Rizer from Citizens State Bank. Since Norm switched to Farmer's Savings Bank, the agent of record for our health and dental insurance needs to be transferred also. Tucker moved to approve the changing of agent of record for our health and dental insurance to Norm Rizer-Farmer's Savings Bank. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Meyers, Tucker and Newman. Nays: None. Johnson abstained. Motion passes.

Council discussed various items for the pool for the upcoming summer. The pool hours will be 1:00-5:00pm and 7:00-8:30pm. Opening day will be Friday, May 25th which is the start of the Memorial Day weekend. The clerk has the go ahead to advertise for the positions manager, assistant manager and life guards. The wages for this summer will be same as last year; manager \$8.50, assistant manager \$8.25, experienced lifeguards \$7.75 and new lifeguards \$7.50. The City will again purchase swim wear, sweat pants and sweat shirts for the lifeguards. Opperman moved that we do everything the same as last year with the opening day being Friday, May 25th and offering free swimming Memorial Day weekend. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Meyers, Johnson, Tucker, Newman and Opperman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Council discussed the summer recreation program and if we wanted to offer this again this summer. The program is for 1st grade through 6th grade students and the cost is \$15.00. Last year we had one volunteer who coordinated the program and she is unable to do it this summer due to taking a full-time job. The clerk will contact Starmont and local colleges to get a couple of people to volunteer as the director of the program since many people have to do internships for their degree programs. It would be better to have 2 people. Council wants a proposed itinerary of activities from the volunteers prior to the program starting. More information will be obtained and this will be addressed at a later date.

Bob Maker was present to request permission to hold the annual tractor pull on Sunday of Strawberry Days weekend. Last year it was discussed to relocate this to the Industrial park due to safety issues and so it doesn't get torn up. In 2010, it did get ripped up but it had rained a lot that spring prior to the pull. The tractor pull fund does not have the money to relocate at this time. For 2012, the tractor pull be held at Campbell Park and in late June or early July come back to the table and discuss location for 2013. Tucker moved that we allow the tractor pull at the same location this summer being Campbell Park. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Johnson, Tucker, Newman, Opperman and Meyers. Nays: none. Motion passes.

Council continued discussing the budget for the 2012-2013 year. The council reviewed the revenues. We will be having a workshop to discuss the capital improvement plans at the end of an upcoming meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

The fire department opened the sealed bids for the old brush truck prior to the council meeting. The high bid was for \$5,251. Prior to the truck being sold the tow hooks were removed so we will deduct this amount from the sale price. We may need to look at the security at the shop. The garage had a keyless entry installed recently which should help. The money from selling the brush truck will be put in the Fire T&A fund for future truck purchases.

With no further business, Opperman moved to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Deanna Dement, City Clerk

Dale Fox, Mayor

***Check Summary Register©**

February 11-12

Name	Check Date	Check Amt	
1010 CASH			
Paid Chk# 048560	ADVANCED SYSTEMS INC	2/2/2012	\$27.72 Library Copy Machine Contract
Paid Chk# 048561	ALLIANT ENERGY	2/2/2012	\$2,053.86 Water S Well Utilities
Paid Chk# 048562	BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	2/2/2012	\$330.38 Library Books
Paid Chk# 048563	BIBLIONIX	2/2/2012	\$1,072.00 Library Computer
Paid Chk# 048564	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	2/2/2012	\$2,348.46 Civic Center Utilities
Paid Chk# 048565	BOOK LOOK	2/2/2012	\$1,076.16 Library Books
Paid Chk# 048566	CITY OF STRAWBERRY POINT	2/2/2012	\$315.15 R Tafolla Meter Deposit Refund
Paid Chk# 048567	CLAYTON COUNTY RECORDER	2/2/2012	\$153.00 City Hall Filing Fee for Alley
Paid Chk# 048568	CLAYTON COUNTY REGISTER	2/2/2012	\$38.00 Library Subscription
Paid Chk# 048569	COMELEC SERVICES INV	2/2/2012	\$306.17 Fire Radio Repair
Paid Chk# 048570	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUC	2/2/2012	\$23.30 Ambulance Medical Supplies
Paid Chk# 048571	GALE GROUP	2/2/2012	\$47.99 Library Books
Paid Chk# 048572	HEIMAN FIRE EQUIPMENT	2/2/2012	\$84.63 Fire Yellow Stealthlights
Paid Chk# 048573	INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS	2/2/2012	\$32.50 City Hall Leaders Handbook
Paid Chk# 048574	IOWA MEDICAID ENTERPRISE	2/2/2012	\$121.82 Ambulance Refund
Paid Chk# 048575	IOWA UNDERGROUND SERVICE	2/2/2012	\$21.70 Electric Locate Fee
Paid Chk# 048576	J & R SUPPLY INC	2/2/2012	\$320.00 Water 6x12.5 Wraps
Paid Chk# 048577	JOHN FARMER	2/2/2012	\$524.16 Water Water Heater Reimburse
Paid Chk# 048578	LARRY DOERRING	2/2/2012	\$508.93 Water Water Heater Reimburse
Paid Chk# 048579	LAW ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS	2/2/2012	\$168.50 Police Tickets, Door Hangers
Paid Chk# 048580	MARK MEYER	2/2/2012	\$481.50 Water Water Heater Reimburse
Paid Chk# 048581	MICHELS POWER	2/2/2012	\$11,650.00 Electric Final Conversion Invo
Paid Chk# 048582	MPH INDUSTRIES, INC	2/2/2012	\$1,500.00 Police Radar
Paid Chk# 048583	NORTHEAST IOWA REGIONAL L	2/2/2012	\$15.00 City Hall Annual Dues
Paid Chk# 048584	PATTY LINCOLN	2/2/2012	\$6.40 Library Mileage
Paid Chk# 048585	PENWORTHY	2/2/2012	\$462.12 Library Books
Paid Chk# 048586	PHILLIS HAY	2/2/2012	\$10.00 Ambulance Refunds
Paid Chk# 048587	RESALE POWER GROUP OF IO	2/2/2012	\$45,431.90 Electric Wholesale, Green Tag
Paid Chk# 048588	RIDIHALGH, FUELLING, SNITKE	2/2/2012	\$4,800.00 City Hall Audit Fee
Paid Chk# 048589	ROBERT MAKER	2/2/2012	\$239.00 Water Water Heater Reimburse
Paid Chk# 048590	ROD TAFOLLA	2/2/2012	\$9.85 R Tafolla Meter Deposit Refund
Paid Chk# 048591	RON LANDIS	2/2/2012	\$100.00 R Landis Meter Deposit Refund
Paid Chk# 048592	SCHLEE MASONRY	2/2/2012	\$1,450.00 Water Replace Pavers - Water M
Paid Chk# 048593	ST. LUKES CENTER FOR OCCU	2/2/2012	\$30.00 City Hall Drug Test Annual Fee
Paid Chk# 048594	STRAWBERRY COMPUTING	2/2/2012	\$100.00 City Hall 4th Quarter Webmaste
Paid Chk# 048595	STRAWBERRY POINT CHAMBER	2/2/2012	\$27.00 Library Chamber Annual Dinner
Paid Chk# 048596	STRAWBERRY PRESS JOURNAL	2/2/2012	\$10.00 Library Advertising
Paid Chk# 048597	SWALES PRECAST INC	2/2/2012	\$149.00 RUT Shop Keyless Lock
Paid Chk# 048598	TERRY DURIN COMPANY	2/2/2012	\$399.00 Electric Supplies
Paid Chk# 048599	TRACY CROSSMAN	2/2/2012	\$437.45 Water Water Heater Reimburse
Paid Chk# 048600	TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	2/2/2012	\$10.00 Electric Diesel Tank Fee
Paid Chk# 048601	TSCHIGGFRIE EXCAVATING	2/2/2012	\$13,194.59 Water Water Main
Paid Chk# 048602	UPPER EXPLORERLAND	2/2/2012	\$885.99 Housing Rehab Admin Costs
Paid Chk# 048603	UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO	2/2/2012	\$191.57 Water Repair Fire Hydrant
Paid Chk# 048604	WEB TECH OF IOWA	2/2/2012	\$375.00 Library Computer Contract, Sur
Paid Chk# 048605	WINDSTREAM	2/2/2012	\$408.96 Electric Phone
Paid Chk# 048606	ZEE MEDICAL SERVICES	2/2/2012	\$25.05 RUT Medical Supplies
		Total Checks	\$91,973.81

***Check Fund Summary**

Fund Summary

1010 CASH

001 GENERAL FUND	\$13,023.10
110 ROAD USE TAX	\$596.39
114 T&A ELECTRIC MET DEP	\$300.00
115 T&A WATER MET DEP	\$100.00
322 REHAB HOUSING	\$885.99
600 WATER FUND	\$17,566.26
610 SEWER FUND	\$1,834.80
630 ELECTRIC FUND	\$57,667.27
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