

January 3, 2008
Solon, Iowa

Solon City Council
Solon Library

Mayor Jedlicka opened regular City Council meeting at 5:31 p.m. Roll Call: Sue Ballantyne, Brad Kunkel, Cami Rasmussen and Steve Stange. Absent: Brad Randall. Also Present: Cassandra Lippincott, Scott Kleppe and Susie Siddell.

Motion by Rasmussen to approve the Agenda. Seconded by Stange. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 4-0.

Motion by Stange to approve the Consent Agenda including minutes from the December 20, 2007 meeting, the treasurer's report, list of bills and the Class C Liquor License Renewal Application for the Solon Station. Seconded by Rasmussen. Roll Call: Ballantyne, Kunkel, Rasmussen and Stange. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 4-0.

Randall arrived 5:33 p.m.

Public Works Director Report: Kleppe informed Council Mark Pisarik had gotten injured while working Christmas Eve. Pisarik was in the process of repairing the plow when a part broke and since Pisarik was injured, snow removal has been slower. Kleppe informed Council there is an issue with drifting snow in certain areas and next year he will possibly utilize a snow fence in those areas. Kleppe informed Council so far this year they have used 56 tons of sand/salt from Johnson County and others and 30 tons of salt from the State DOT. Kleppe stated that he was worried about being under budget but is more concerned about being able to obtain material for the roads. Kleppe stated debris from the ice storm has been put on hold until snow and ice subsides. Kleppe informed Council they have experiencing a mechanical problem with the Caterpillar loader, the engine had been removed a month ago because of oil leaks. The warranty expired in September and he has negotiated with Altorfer concerning the billing.

Library Report: Chuck Panzar was present to offer the Library as an alternative shelter for emergency situations and stated they would have a plan to show the City.

New Business:

Site Plan-Bridge Community Bank: City Engineer Dave Schechinger, stated there would need to be a right turn lane and possibly need more right of way. Lippincott stated Al Bohling a representative for the bank has stated they felt the bank would not have a significant increase in traffic. Rasmussen questioned if there was enough right of way. Stange stated he felt the only hang up with the project was the right of way. Mayor Jedlicka questioned Schechinger on parking lot and spaces. Schechinger stated the spaces were in order. Bob Steen the bank representative stated their lawyer was unable to attend but had looked at the final plat map, which was from 1986, and it was his belief the access road would be available for the banks use. Steen also stated they would like to work with their neighbors on any concerns there might be. Miriam Johnson a representative from the Solon Care Center stated they had some concerns with security and maintenance. Schechinger stated getting a recommendation from JCCOG, on a traffic study on a turning lane. Mayor Jedlicka questioned bank representatives on their thoughts when they would be breaking ground. Steen stated they would like to close on the property by March 15th and possibly break ground late summer it was also stated if they would not be able to use the access road they would most likely not be building the bank. Mayor Jedlicka stated as much as they want to bank to proceed there were things that needed to be looked at and discussed so he asked that the Bridge Community Bank be put on the next agenda for the January 17th meeting.

Ordinance No. 380: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances as they pertain to sign regulations. Lippincott stated some of the goals were to clarify height issues, language to have extra space if have certain color and change electronic message boards. Ballantyne stated she would like to see section 168.17 moved to the first paragraph concerning obstructing vision. Motion by Ballantyne to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 380 with the change. Seconded by Stange. Roll Call Vote: Ballantyne, Randall, Kunkel, Rasmussen and Stange. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

Mayoral Appointments: Mayor Jedlicka stated the appointments of Ellen Wise and Keeli Irwin to Parks & Rec, Don Evans to Planning & Zoning , Kari Pyle and Agnes Apicella to the Library Board of Trustees, Susie Siddell to City Clerk and Brad Randall as Pro Tem. Motion by Stange to approve appointments for 2008. Seconded by Rasmussen. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

Administrator Comments: Lippincott reminded everyone garbage pick up would be Saturday because of the holiday and that Christmas Tree pick up would be January 11th. Lippincott informed Council she was working on the sidewalk snow removal letters. Lippincott reminded Council of the January 16th meeting with the school board and the budget meeting January 10th.

Council Comments: Rasmussen stated she would like to see the JCCOG study.

Mayor Comments: Mayor Jedlicka welcomed Brad Kunkel to the Council.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:26 p.m. by Stange. Seconded by Ballantyne. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

ATTEST:

Susie Siddell, City Clerk

Rick Jedlicka, Mayor