

February 7, 2008
Solon, Iowa

Solon City Council
Solon Library

Mayor Jedlicka opened regular City Council meeting at 5:30 pm. Roll Call: Steve Stange, Cami Rasmussen, Sue Ballantyne. Absent: Brad Kunkel and Brad Randall. Also present: Cassandra Lippincott, Scott Kleppe and Susie Siddell.

Motion by Ballantyne to approve the agenda. Seconded by Stange. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 3-0.

Kunkel and Randall arrived 5:32 pm.

Motion by Stange to approve the consent agenda including minutes from the January 10, January 16, and January 17, 2008 meetings, the treasurer's report, list of bills and approval of renewal application for liquor license for Brosh Chapel and Community Center. Seconded by Ballantyne. Roll Call: Kunkel, Rasmussen, Randall, Ballantyne and Stange. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

Mayoral Proclamation a Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Day.

Public Works Directors Report: Kleppe informed Council the City's loader was broke down but that Altofer had loaned them a bigger one. Rasmussen questioned Kleppe on the salt storage garage. Kleppe stated he would be holding off till warmer weather.

Old Business: Ordinance No. 380, an ordinance amending the sign regulations. Motion by Ballantyne to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 380. Seconded by Kunkel. Roll Call: Kunkel, Rasmussen, Randall, Ballantyne and Stange. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

New Business: 5th Street Intersection Study: John Yapp stated staff had conducted a study during peak traffic hours and came to the conclusion a traffic signal is not likely to warranted for this intersection. Yapp stated they would recommend a center turn lane to the south of 5th street on Highway 1 carried through to 5th street and that a left turn lane for south bound traffic on Highway 1 be constructed north of 5th street. Stange questioned if it would be worth putting in wiring for a traffic light, he felt in the future a light would be installed. Rasmussen stated there were two developments that were growing with more people seeming to cross the intersection in the summer and there was no evaluation for that. Kunkel stated during the summer there was more traffic with people going to the reservoir and the lake area. Yapp stated they could do another study for that time of year just to let them know. Stange questioned how many feet would be taken off the banks property for the turn lane. City Engineer Schechinger stated it would be 16 feet. Stange stated he would like to see another study in the spring as long as City has the right of way. Mayor Jedlicka questioned Bob Steen on when he thought construction would begin. Steen stated he felt construction would start this year. Stange suggested tabling discussion on 5th Street Intersection.

Bridge Community Bank Site Plan Review: Motion by Stange to approve Bridge Community Bank Site Plan. Seconded by Kunkel. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

Engineering Contract: Council discussion and action on entering an agreement with Veenstra & Kimm to perform a site selection for new well. Motion by Rasmussen to approve contract with Veenstra & Kimm. Seconded by Kunkel. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

Attorney Role: Mayor Jedlicka stated that he had spoke with City Attorney, Bruce Goddard. Goddard spoke of his concerns of being able to have more time that the City would want. Mayor Jedlicka stated they would like to possibly have someone that would be able to attend Council meetings, Planning & Zoning meetings and Board of Adjustment meetings. Rasmussen questioned on the new attorney helping with resolutions and ordinances. Rasmussen suggested putting a list together and have Jim Martinek look over it.

Randall left at 6:20 pm

FY2009 Budget: Motion by Stange to approve the FY2009 Budget for publication. Seconded by Ballantyne. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 5-0.

Administrator Comments: Lippincott informed Council Ragbrai could possibly be traveling through Solon. Lippincott stated she had a conversation with a Johnson County Trail Advocate about a link between Ely and Solon.

Council Comments: Ballantyne questioned on the agreement for animal control. Lippincott stated she would get in contact with them. Rasmussen thanked Kleppe and all the City workers for all their hard work and Shechinger on the work on the right of way.

Mayor Comments: Mayor Jedlicka informed council he had a phone conversation with Sandy Hansen and was informed by Hansen, they could possibly need a different area for their annual July 4th show. Hansen questioned if it would possibly to some of the Rec & Nature Area.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:45 pm by Stange. Seconded by Ballantyne. All Ayes. Motion Carried. 4-0.

ATTEST:

Susie Siddell, City Clerk

Rick Jedlicka, Mayor