

Study Session Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2002 ~ 7:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER.

A Study Session of the Waverly City Council was held on August 26, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Ackerman presided. Council members present were: Fred Ribich, Patsy Reed, Mel Kramer, Gary Grace, Joe Kobliska, and Darrel Steege. Absent: Gary Boorum.

1. Approve Agenda as Printed or Add Items for Discussion Only.

Moved By: Kramer

Seconded By: Ribich

That the agenda for this Council Meeting as prepared is hereby approved/amended as follows:

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

City Administrator Crayne informed Council that City of Waverly employees are required to wear seatbelts when driving City vehicles. Mr. Crayne stated there is an exemption in the Code of Iowa for those employees who are "drivers and front seat occupants of a motor vehicle who are actively engaged in work which requires them to alight from and reenter the vehicle at frequent intervals, providing the vehicle does not exceed twenty-five miles per hour between stops".

C. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Pay Request from Happel Excavating in the amount of \$14,303.01 for the 4th Street SW Project and Bremer Ave. Project.
2. Pay Request from Heartland Asphalt, Inc. in the amount of \$77,473.86 for the 15th St., 17th St., 3rd Av. & 4th Av. HMA Pavement Grade & Replacement Project.
3. Pay Request from Cedar Valley Corp. in the amount of \$28,931.10 for the 10th Avenue SW Reconstruction.
4. Pay Request from Platt's Inc. in the amount of \$944.57 for the Big Six Downtown Improvements Project-Phase 2, Division 1.

Moved By: Ribich

Seconded By: Kobliska

Items 1-4 on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

D. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. **Resolution 02-86, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Waverly, Iowa, to Amend the Contract with the Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments (INRCOG) to Increase the Amount Paid to INRCOG for Administration of its Housing Rehabilitation Program.**

Moved By: Steege

Seconded By: Reed

Resolution 02-86, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Waverly, Iowa, to Amend the Contract with the Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments (INRCOG) to Increase the Amount Paid in the amount of \$3,150.00 to INRCOG for Administration of the 13th home of the Housing Rehabilitation Program is hereby approved.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

2. **Resolution 02-87, A Resolution Proposing Sale of Lot 2 of the Waverly Industrial Plaza.**

Michael Bohner of Capital Realty informed the Council that R&P Properties, LLC is proposing construction of a series of metal pole buildings which will be established as commercial condominiums. Mr. Bohner stated the developers will use fill material from Lot 6 to fill Lot 2. The lot will be sold for \$1.00 and the developers agree to expend approximately \$40,000 in transporting and placement of fill. Discussion followed on rail spur and traffic control/light issues at the Business Park.

Moved By: Ribich

Seconded By: Kobliska

Resolution 02-87, A Resolution Proposing Sale of Lot 2 of the Waverly Industrial Plaza is hereby approved and sets September 9, 2002 at 7:00 P. M. in the City Hall as the date, time and place for a public hearing.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

3. **Change Order No. 1 for the Big 6 Plaza Downtown Improvements Project – Phase 2, Division 1.**

Moved By: Kramer

Seconded By: Grace

Change Order No. 1 for the decreased amount of \$812.36 for the Big 6 Plaza Downtown Improvements Project – Phase 2, Division 1 is hereby approved.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

E. **STUDY SESSION.**

1. **Review of Opportunity Works Program.**

Stacy Van Gorp of UNI and Fred Waldstein were present to review the Opportunity Works Program. Stacy Van Gorp informed the Council that Northwest Area Foundation awarded a \$600,000 Planning Grant to integrate existing opportunities to address poverty in a six county area. UNI would provide staffing for said program. Part of the criteria is to create a 10 year plan and engage people in action. Ms. Van Gorp is addressing all civic and community groups to try to get this program recognized. Ms. Van Gorp stated that “our area was one of just four regions in the U. S. to receive support.” The goal is to create broad strategies to work together by holding numerous brain storming sessions throughout the community. The City Council and administrative staff agreed to conduct a brainstorming session. Fred Waldstein will have his Wartburg students address the youth but this program would involve all age groups.

2. **Discussion of Kohlmann Park Cabin.**

Parks & Recreation Director Ray reviewed the Park & Recreation Commission’s discussion of the Kohlmann Park Cabin. The Commission recommended a letter be sent to the supporters of the Cabin to solicit funds. Mr. Ray informed Council that design plans were developed for Kohlmann Park Cabin in 2000. The plans included flood-proofing and adding restroom facilities to the cabin. The cost would be \$45,000 for the cabin and \$55,000 to add restrooms. Mr. Ray also informed Council that there was support for an outdoor skating area and the possible use of the cabin as warming house. Pete Lampe stated that the Commission should complete a master plan for Kohlmann Park. He also discussed using volunteer groups to repair the cabin. Discussion followed on the geese population, bike path and other improvements. Mr. Ray stated that the Park & Recreation Commission is in the process of creating a long range parks assessment. Council questioned whether the dry run study should be completed

before going forward with Kohlmann Park Cabin renovation.

3. **Review Status of Projects.**

City Engineer Cherry reviewed sidewalk installation for 3rd Avenue NW. Mr. Cherry also stated that staff is investigating signal timing at the 4th Street and Bremer Ave. intersection. The grassy area at said intersection will remain grassy. He informed the Council that \$5,000 was withheld from the 10th Ave. SW Project so reseeding can be completed. City will coordinate with utilities. Discussion followed on timing of the traffic signal by the Library. Mr. Cherry informed Council that the Planning and Zoning Commission will review the final plat for Monaghan Subdivision (Rolling Hills) and the replat of Rieger Addition on September 5th.

Council thanked Paula Michel for participating as the guest councilperson.

F. **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.**

1. **Boards and Commissions.**
2. **Reports.**
3. **Communications.**

Parks & Recreation Ray is applying for a Enhancement Grant to help purchase the Depot.

G. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Moved By: Ribich

Seconded By: Grace

That the City Council Meeting be adjourned.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

Council adjourned at 8:14 P. M.

Ivan J. Ackerman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard J. Crayne, City Clerk