

Study Session Meeting Minutes

May 23, 2005~ 7:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER.

A Study Session of the Waverly City Council was held on May 23, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Ackerman presided. Council members present were: Cyndi Ecker, Fred Ribich, Gary Grace, Mel Kramer, Connie Rasmussen, Tammy McKenzie, and Gary Boorum.

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.

Yes: 7

No: 0

Absent: 0

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

A member from the audience asked:

1. What the status is on determining a building site for the Public Works Facility;
2. What the meeting on June 6 with the D.O.T. at the airport was about; and
3. Why there were curbs installed leading to the 1st Street SW traffic bridge with attached walkway when a pedestrian bridge and walkways are to be installed.

City Administrator Crayne responded to the first question by stating there has been no site nailed down at this point and that another possible site is also currently being looked at it.

City Engineer Cherry stated that the Airport/D.O.T. meeting is basically a follow-up from a meeting that was held a year ago and regards general security issues.

City Engineer Cherry informed council and audience that sidewalk on the 1st Street SW traffic bridge is actually a structural part of the bridge. Public Works Superintendent Sullivan added that the curb protects a watermain which is located at that spot and the new curb only replaces a curb which was previously there.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked about the progress of the sidewalk located at Love & Lace. City Administrator Crayne informed Mayor and Council the project is waiting for Mr. Lindner's architect to provide plans. At that time Mr. Crayne reiterated to Mr. Lindner that this project does have a July 1, 2005 deadline.

An audience member asked about an update on the railings that are needed at Dutcher's Glass & Paint together with the garage project. City Administrator Crayne stated he had been in contact with Mr. Dutcher and Mr. Dutcher is reluctant to complete either project due to poor business. Again, Mr. Crayne reiterated the July 1, 2005 deadline.

An audience member asked why the underground tank, located at the 1st Street SE Parking Lot, was filled and not removed. City Engineer Cherry responded by saying it could have been either way, however, DNR requires testing be done on the soil whether the tank is removed or left where it is. Mr. Cherry stated that all DNR requirements were fulfilled when choosing to leave the tank and fill it with flowable mortar where it is.

Councilmember Grace gave recognition to the Wartburg College Baseball team who will be playing in the World Series at Appleton, Wisconsin this Friday, May 27. There will be 8 teams in the series. Mr. Grace also mentioned the track meet which will be held here in Waverly at Wartburg College this upcoming weekend as well.

C. TABLED ITEMS.

Resolution 05-73, A Resolution Awarding Contract for Copper Ridge Sanitary Sewer Extension 2005.

Not ready for consideration.

D. STUDY SESSION.

1. **Review and Discussion of Great Places Initiative.**

City Administrator Crayne explained this program could be a possible way to partner with the State to come up with ideas and possible solutions to achieve a united vision within the City of Waverly and surrounding communities.

After brief discussion Mayor Ackerman together with Councilmember Boorum and Councilmember Rasmussen agreed to attend the forum in Cedar Falls on Wednesday, May 25. This item will be placed on the agenda for Monday, June 6 to begin working through the Great Places Initiative process.

E. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

1. **Boards and Commissions.**

Historic Preservation Commission Minutes - Nothing new.
Waverly Airport Commission - New manager of the airport is Chris Renner.
Councilmember Boorum mentioned that it was brought to Waverly Area Development Group's attention that 2006 is Waverly's Sesquicentennial Celebration year and there were questions on upcoming activities.
Mayor Ackerman asked if there had been any word from Aerial Services and City Administrator Crayne responded by saying no. He added the last time he spoke with them that further conversation was necessary amongst Aerial Services.

2. **Reports.**

Departmental Status - Nothing needing attention.

3. **Communication.**

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session – City Administrator Performance Evaluation.

Moved By: Kramer

Seconded By: Ribich

Enter in Executive Session.

Yes: 7

No: 0

Absent: 0

Moved By: Kramer

Seconded By: Ribich

Reenter into open session.

Yes: 7

No: 0

Absent: 0

The Council thanked Jim Infelt for his participation as guest councilperson for May.

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved By: Boorum

Seconded By: Grace

That the City Council Meeting be adjourned.

Yes: 7

No: 0

Absent: 0

Council adjourned at 8:27 P. M.

Ivan J. Ackerman, Mayor

Attest:

Richard J. Crayne, City Administrator