

A. CALL TO ORDER.

A Study Session of the Waverly City Council was held on May 23, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Brunkhorst presided. Council members present were: Kathy Olson, Gary Boorum, Richard Lindell, Gene Lieb, Gary Grace, Tim Kangas. Absent: Jim Vowels

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

Moved By: Grace

That the agenda for this Council meeting as prepared is hereby approved.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

B. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS.

City Engineer Cherry informed Duane Liddle that Waverly Light and Power's Right-of-Way Permit was approved by the Iowa Department of Transportation. Mr. Cherry informed Council that all neighbors on 2nd Avenue SW have been notified of construction schedule and what to expect.

Mr. Cherry also stated that contractors are working on the controls for the bladder dam and toward the end of the week they will be working on removal of the coffer dam.

C. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. **Resolution 11-59, A Resolution Appointing Wells Fargo Bank, National Association of Des Moines, Iowa, to Serve as Paying Agent, Bond Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authoring the Execution of the Agreement.**

Finance Director Bachhuber informed Council that the City is authorizing Wells Fargo to pay the bond holders.

Moved By: Olson

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Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

2. **Approval of Tax Exemption Certificate for \$2,455,000 General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds, Series 2011.**

There is a federal and state exemption on said bonds.

Moved By: Kangas

The Tax Exemption Certificate for \$2,455,000 General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds, Series 2011 is hereby approved.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

funding for said project. The Hazard Mitigation & River Use Commission encouraged property owners to create their own flood response plan for flood events. City Administrator Crayne stated that the City could introduce a local grant program to assist some SE residents in raising their homes in specific areas.

2. **Review Progress of the Waverly Veterans' Post.**

Jim Beam reviewed progress on the Waverly Veterans' Post project. The Veterans' front line fundraising efforts raised \$820,000. The Homefront phase(Community fundraising) begins in June. The national organizations of AMVETS, VFW, Marine Corp. League, and American Legion have indicated that they will run a story in the magazines on the project. The members are working with the National Organizations on a career service center concept to be introduced in Waverly. Veteran members will make a final decision on the project in October, 2011. The first Waverly Area Veterans Post annual meeting will be July 19th.

3. **Update on Sister City, Eisenach, Germany, and Upcoming Visit from our Sister City Guests.**

Keith Collins introduced Sister City Exchange Students Lena Orthey and Franzishka Ladicky. Both girls thanked the Sister City organization, the City of Waverly, Rotary, Waverly Shell Rock Schools, and their hosting families for their contributions and assistance. Eisenach's Mayor Doht and Frau Heike Abel will arrive on Wednesday. Mr. Collins reviewed the schedule of German dignitaries during their visit in Waverly over the weekend. There will be a reception at 4:00 P. M. on Saturday at the Waverly Public Library for the German delegation. Plans are underway for the 20th Anniversary of the Waverly/Eisenach Sister City program next summer in Germany.

4. **HMGF Funding Update for the Waverly Dry Run Creek Flood Mitigation Project.**

The City applied for State funding for the deepening and widening of the Dry Run Creek channel in 2009. The total estimated cost for the project was \$6 million. The data compiled by the State indicated that the benefit cost ratio for the project resulting in \$150,000 funding thereby negating this project approach. The Dry Run Creek Flood Mitigation Project has the potential to remove 350 homes and businesses from the existing floodplain in NW, SW Waverly thereby eliminating the flood insurance requirement when obtaining a mortgage loan. The project could introduce state and federal funding for housing rehabilitation assistance. There is a significant benefit in doing the project but it will have to be funded locally. Since 2009 the City has removed buyout properties along the Dry Run and could possibly do an earthen embankment along the channel. The City could possibly budget for box culvert replacement and removal of structures that are impeding the flow in phases and when opportunity presents itself. State grant dollars may be available for replacement or removal of the box culverts at 2nd Ave and 4th Street SW and Bremer Ave at 6th Street NW.

5. **Review Strategic Planning Document.**

City Administrator Crayne reviewed the on-going priorities and organizational effectiveness issues of the report. Mr. Crayne stated that there has been some discussion on river use development and some focus on the affordable moderate income housing but no discussion on Downtown Main St. Revitalization Plan funding. During the July 8th Strategic Planning, Council will

review and evaluate initiatives including sidewalk connectivity, possible community use of junior high gymnasium are and redistricting.

E. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

1. Boards and Commissions.
Waverly Chamber of Commerce Board Minutes – good Golf Outing.
Hazard Mitigation / River Use Commission Minutes- 528 rain barrels were sold.
There will be an additional 75 rain barrels at the Recycling Center for sale.
2. Reports.
3. Communication.

F. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS ON POLICY ISSUES.

City Engineer Cherry informed Council that Bremer County is cleaning out the ditches along 29th Avenue SE. Bremer County and the City of Waverly are working together to repair box culverts along 29th Avenue.
Discussion followed on 4th Street and 5th Avenue SW pedestrian crossing.

Council thanked Leslie Haskin for her service as Guest Councilperson.

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved By: Boorum

That the City Council Meeting be adjourned.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

Council adjourned at 8:32 P. M.

Bob Brunkhorst, Mayor

Attest:

Jo-Ellen Raap, City Clerk