

December 14, 2009
City Council Meeting Minutes

The December 14, 2009 meeting of the Cascade City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Staner in the City Hall Chambers. Council members Betzner, Boffeli, Henry, Knepper and Nauman answered roll call.

Motion by Boffeli, 2nd Betzner to approve the agenda – all ayes.
There were no speakers from the floor.

Motion by Betzner, 2nd Boffeli to file the meeting minutes of the Library Board and the Park Board – all ayes.

Motion by Betzner, 2nd Henry to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 129-09 establishing a Cascade Commercial Urban Renewal Area and providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property. Boffeli, Henry, Knepper, Betzner, and Nauman – all ayes.

Motion by Betzner, 2nd Henry to open and hold the scheduled public hearing on a TIF backed development agreement with Brothers Market, Inc. for a new grocery store in Cascade – all ayes. With no one speaking for or against the agreement, motion by Henry, 2nd Betzner to return to regular session – all ayes.

Motion by Betzner, 2nd Knepper to approve Resolution 81-09 a development agreement with Brothers Market, Inc. authorizing tax increment payments and pledging certain tax increment revenues for the payment of the Agreement. Henry, Knepper, Nauman, Betzner and Boffeli – all ayes.

City Administrator Lansing reviewed the City's snow emergency ordinance, the snow plowing policy and agreements with Dubuque County. Shirley McDermott voiced concerns with the speed at which the snowplows are traveling causing the snow to get pushed back onto sidewalks that were already cleared. McDermott feels the high rate of speed is due to more and more streets being added to the City that need to be plowed with the same amount of manpower to get them done. McDermott also feels this places an undo burden onto those citizens that must clear snow from sidewalks that were cleared prior to the plow pushing the snow back onto their sidewalk.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Boffeli to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance 125-09 rezoning Lot 1 of RA Enterprises Place to C1 Highway Commercial and rezoning Lot 2 of RA Enterprises Place to R2 Mixed Residential. Knepper, Nauman, Betzner, Boffeli and Henry – all ayes.

Motion by Betzner, 2nd Henry to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance 126-09 amending the Cascade Zoning Ordinance to allow zero lot-line buildings in the C1, M1 and M2 zoning districts. Betzner, Boffeli, Henry, Knepper and Nauman – all ayes.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Betzner to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance 127-09 amending the Cascade Zoning Ordinance by limiting the number of animal units allowed in the A1 zoning district and allowing stables in the M1 and M2 zoning districts. Nauman, Betzner, Boffeli, Henry and Knepper – all ayes.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Boffeli to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance 128-09 amending Chapter 136-Sidewalk Regulations by establishing designated areas for sidewalks and making sidewalk

improvements the City's responsibility. Boffeli, Henry and Nauman – aye, Betzner and Knepper – nay.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Betzner to approve Ordinance 82-09 approving and accepting the required public improvements of Parkridge Estates from Maryville Family Partnership. Boffeli, Henry, Knepper, Nauman and Betzner – all ayes.

Motion by Boffeli, 2nd Henry to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 130-09 opening and dedicating 7th Ave SE between Adams St SE and Dillon St SE as a city street for public use. Henry, Knepper, Nauman, Betzner and Boffeli – all ayes.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Betzner to approve waiving the 2nd and 3rd readings of Ordinance 130-09. Knepper, Nauman, Betzner, Boffeli and Henry – all ayes.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Betzner to submit to local engineering firms, a request for proposals for a flood study – all ayes.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Boffeli to approve Resolution 83-09 transferring funds from the General Fund, TIF Fund and the Sewer Fund to the Debt Service Fund for the interest payments on bonds and bank loans. Nauman, Betzner, Boffeli, Henry and Knepper – all ayes.

Motion by Boffeli, 2nd Henry to approve Resolution 84-09 setting a public hearing date for January 11, 2010 on a sewer revenue loan and disbursement agreement with the Iowa Finance Authority for the Polk Street Lift Station Improvement Project. Betzner, Boffeli, Henry, Knepper and Nauman – all ayes.

Motion by Betzner, 2nd Boffeli to approve the December bill list, the November 23rd Council meeting minutes and the November Treasurer's Report and Fund Balance Report – all ayes.
Motion by Boffeli, 2nd Knepper to file correspondence – all ayes.

Police Chief Heim reported that the 6th grade DARE graduations were held at the beginning of the month, the squad car had been in the shop for repairs, the department has been pursuing Ordinance violators, the Jones County Emergency Response Team responded to a call on December 2nd in Anamosa and that the department is still looking for any information on those that damaged headstones in the cemetery.

City Administrator Lansing reported that new City employee Matt Menster started work today. One of the pumps at the Polk Street lift station has been causing problems so it was sent to Marion for repairs. Cost for the repairs is estimated between \$1,200-\$1,500. Well #5 is back online and well #4 had the main breaker replaced due to it tripping and not re-setting. Two new tires were put onto the payloader. The City workers have been scraping the slush off of the streets for most of the day. A small reception is being planned for Paul McDermott on Wednesday, December 30th at City Hall.

Motion by Boffeli, 2nd Betzner to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. – all ayes.

Shelley Annis, Deputy Clerk