

February 9, 2010
Cascade City Council Meeting Minutes

The February 9, 2010 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 Henry, Knepper, Moriarity and Soppe answered roll call. Boffeli was absent. Motion by Henry, 2nd Knepper to approve the agenda – all ayes. There were no speakers from the floor.

Motion Henry, 2nd Knepper to file the meeting minutes of the Park Board – all ayes. Council asked for a follow up to the request to have more detailed minutes from the Park Board.

Motion by Knepper, 2nd Moriarity to not approve selling a 40' x 200' portion of 2nd Ave NE to Shirley Keyron-McDermott – all ayes.

Motion Henry, 2nd Moriarity to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance 1-10 amending the Cascade Code of Ordinances by creating Chapter 117 “Underground Utilities”. Knepper, Moriarity, Henry and Soppe – all ayes.

Motion Henry, 2nd Moriarity to approve Resolution 8-10 a “Buy Local” policy for the City of Cascade giving preference to local businesses on the City’s purchases and construction contracts. Motion failed with Moriarity & Henry voting aye and Soppe & Knepper voting nay.

Administrator Lansing reviewed changes to the development agreement between the City of Cascade and Chad Demmer for the development of 7 acres of the old Takes Livestock Property as proposed by Demmer. Council member Moriarity expressed concerns with having three driveways coming out onto 2nd Ave SE from the proposed development of three commercial lots by Chad Demmer. Moriarity suggested the developer install a frontage road to access the lots. Mayor Staner indicated that this Council already approved the development at a prior Council meeting and Demmer has already purchased the land based on Council’s approval. Motion by Henry, 2nd Moriarity to approve Resolution 9-10 a development agreement between the City of Cascade and Chad Demmer for the development of 7 acres of the old Takes Livestock Property with water, sewer and storm water control. Henry, Moriarity, Soppe and Knepper – all ayes.

Motion by Henry to approve Resolution 10-10 died for lack of a second. Council member Knepper feels that the engineering on this project should be bid out. Mayor Staner indicated that it would be unfair to bid this out now since TeKippe’s bid would be known to other firms. Council member Soppe pointed out that the Council received the project proposal with TeKippe’s engineering figures already included at the last Council meeting. Soppe indicated he would approve this project with the understanding that all engineering be bid in the future. Council member Henry agreed that engineering of projects should be bid. Motion by Henry, 2nd Soppe to approve Resolution 10-10 an engineering agreement between the City of Cascade and TeKippe Engineering for design and construction engineering and DNR permitting for the water and sewer extension into the old Takes Livestock Property and preparation of a storm water management plan and final grading. Soppe, Knepper, Moriarity and Henry – all ayes.

Council member Soppe questioned a \$1,800 bill from J&R Supply for a scale. Administrator Lansing replied that this scale was purchased for the well house. Soppe cited City Code 15.06 & 21.05 giving the Mayor and the City Administrator a \$500 spending limit. Soppe also questioned a \$1,800 bill from Meardon, Sueppel & Downer. Mayor Staner indicated this bill is for attorney fees for a human resources issue. Soppe and Moriarity requested being made informed on this

issue. Motion by Henry, 2nd Moriarity to approve the City's February bills, the 1/20, 1/25 & 1/27 Council minutes and the January Treasurer's Report & Fund Balance Reports – all ayes.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Knepper to file correspondence – all ayes.

Police Chief Heim reported on the number of incidents for 2009 and how January 2010 incidents compare to January of 2009. Heim explained the funding sources for the Jones County Emergency Response Team (JCERT) are contributions from the City of Cascade, the City of Monticello, the City of Anamosa and the Jones County Sheriffs Department. Heim explained his role on the JCERT board and the need for the team. Heim also explained that the DARE program runs strictly off of donations with Heim's time spent in the classroom being paid by the City of Cascade through his salary.

Administrator Lansing reported that he will be attending the FEMA meeting regarding the current flood plain maps, the Library will be submitting an application for a DRA Grant for a pergola on the back of the Library building and reviewed several Planning & Zoning items coming up for consideration.

Motion by Henry, 2nd Soppe to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. – all ayes.

Shelley Annis, Deputy Clerk