

November 8, 2010
City Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Staner, Council members Boffeli, Henry, Knepper, Moriarity and Soppe answered roll call. Motion Soppe, 2nd Boffeli, to approve the agenda – all ayes.

Mary Smith asked that an outside light on the west side of City Hall be installed or turned on prior to meetings open to the public to aide in anyone entering as the step on the sides of the handicapped ramp are dangerous.

Motion Boffeli, 2nd Moriarity to file the meeting minutes of the Park Board – all ayes.

Motion Soppe, 2nd Henry to appoint Tim Smith to the Cascade Volunteer Fire Dept. – all ayes
Motion Henry, 2nd Boffeli to appoint Debra Bertling, Kyle Fagan, Jason Feldmann, Brandon Barnhart and Todd Merfeld to the Cascade EMS volunteer crew – all ayes.

Dennis Waugh with IIW Engineers presented the Council with preliminary drawings of revised flood boundaries within the City of Cascade. Waugh pointed out areas of previous concern that now show to have moved out of the flood boundaries. Waugh thought that the City could adopt this new map as the “official flood plain map” of the City of Cascade to give those areas relief from paying flood insurance.

Shirley McDermott presented the Council with an Iowa Supreme Court case as a guide to the City to look at as more rain water continues to be directed toward low lying properties. McDermott feels the City needs to adopt ordinances that lay out what a property owner or developer can and cannot do with water run-off by limiting hard surfaces or creating retention basins. McDermott’s main concern is the east side industrial development that she feels continues to push more and more water into the small creek that runs behind the Legion and into the field behind her house. McDermott asked the Council to get out in front of this situation.

Motion Henry, 2nd Moriarity to approve Resolution 83-10 a three year agreement between the City and the Dubuque Humane Society for animal intake and sheltering. Henry, Knepper, Moriarity, Soppe, Boffeli – all ayes.

Motion Henry, 2nd Soppe to approve Resolution 84-10 a \$27,015 contract between the City and Schueller & Sons Reconstruction, Maquoketa for the housing rehab at 107 Tyler St NE. Knepper, Moriarity, Soppe, Boffeli, Henry – all ayes.

Motion Boffeli, 2nd Moriarity to approve a partial pay request of \$10,352 on 512 2nd Ave SW, a partial pay request of \$8,552 on 402 Buchanan St SW and a \$6,690 final pay request on 412 2nd Ave SW to Winger Construction, Dubuque – all ayes.

Motion Soppe, 2nd Boffeli to approve Resolution 85-10 transferring \$2,068 in Sewer Funds to the Sewer Sinking Fund per the SRF loan agreement for funding on the Polk St Lift Station Project. Moriarity, Soppe, Boffeli, Henry, Knepper – all ayes.

Motion Henry, 2nd Soppe to approve Resolution 86-10 transferring \$4,711.38 in General Funds, \$8,461.73 in TIF Funds and \$3,364.80 in Sewer Funds to the Debt Service Fund to make interest payments on bonds and loans. Soppe, Boffeli, Henry, Knepper, Moriarity – all ayes.

Motion Henry, 2nd Moriarity to keep the street light in the middle of the block on Fillmore St SE – all ayes.

Motion Soppe, 2nd Moriarity to approve changing the 2nd Council meeting to Tuesday, December, 28th in lieu of City Hall being closed on Monday – all ayes.

Motion Henry, 2nd Soppe to approve the November bills & claims, the 10/25/10 City Council minutes and the October Treasurer's Report & Fund Balance Report – all ayes.

Motion Boffeli, 2nd Moriarity to file correspondence – all ayes.

Council member Knepper asked Chief Heim how far the Police Dept goes out of town on calls. Chief Heim indicated that it depends on the call and that he has been dispatched as far as half way to Peosta for a mutual aide call. Mayor Staner reported that the heater in the squad car is still not working and will need to be fixed.

City Administrator Lansing reported that Kluesner Construction finished crack-sealing streets and could finish up some additional crack-sealing this week for an additional \$3,000. The street sweeper will be out this week. The US Army Corp of Engineers will be inspecting the levy early in December. The city crew will be hauling the brush pile & the broken up concrete from the yard waste site. The sewer plant grit screw should be fixed this week. The overhead power at the spring well house will be changed to underground. The swamp oak tree that is in the way of the Amphitheater in the Riverview Park will be moved to the Silo site per the Park Board. The curb & gutter in front of the new Maid Rite has been re-done and will be painted yellow this week. Lansing will talk to Subway about their patrons parking on the sidewalk on 1st Ave since there is not a stopping point on those spots. Eleven road lights should be here for the 1st Ave E light replacement. The extra Christmas lights will be installed on them to the Casey's Store. The Ambulance has leased the meeting room in the past and City Hall has been receiving calls asking to reserve the space for small gatherings. Since the City has a policy for the City Hall gym, the same could be used for the Ambulance meeting room. No charge for non-profit, a charge of \$20 per hour not to exceed \$100 plus a \$25 cleaning fee plus a \$150 key deposit that would be refunded if the room is left in an acceptable condition. Fees will continue to be waived for any ambulance crewmember. This will be handled the same as any other City facility in that no alcohol or smoking will be allowed anywhere on the property.

Motion Soppe, 2nd Knepper to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. – all ayes.

Shelley Annis, City Clerk/Treasurer