

June 26, 2017
City Council Meeting Minutes

The June 26, 2017 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Behnken. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then Recker, Kearney, Knepper and Staner answered roll call. Hosch was absent.

A motion was made by Kearney, second by Knepper to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Fred Heim addressed the City Council regarding a citizen that had addressed the Council about the police officer stopping him. This citizen received 4 warnings, which were all valid. Chief Heim has developed a compliant/concern form to be completed by citizens that have a valid complaint/concern. These need to be completed and signed and returned to the Police Department. This way the Police Chief knows what is going on.

Council reviewed the items in the consent agenda including City Council minutes 06/12/17, Personnel Committee minutes 06/21/17, Building Committee minutes 06/09/17, Unapproved Cascade Municipal Utilities Board minutes 06/14/17, MSA Weekly Report for WWTF Project for June 4, 2017, Retail Cigarette and Tobacco License for Casey's, Dollar General, Lyons Service Center and McDermott Oil Company. Motion by Recker, second by Staner to approve the items in the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

The Pool Committee presented information and their recommendation to the City Council. Members of the committee took turns speaking to the City Council on the history, the three options, funding, proposed timeline and then their recommendation. The committee looked at the repair option of \$980,000, a renovation option of \$2,006,000 and a total replacement option of \$2,431,000. The committee was very mindful of the budget and looked at what was needed not just wants. The Council had already reviewed the repair option and actually went out for bids so this really isn't an option. When the renovation option is compared to the replacement option, the cost difference is only \$425,000 for a new pool. The committee would like the Council to approve holding a bond referendum in May 2018. The bond payment would be paid back with adding a local option sales tax of ½ cent. This way the people who live here will not be the only ones paying for the pool. Anyone who spends money in Cascade will help fund the pool. A capital campaign will be started and fundraising will commence. Citizens can donate money and labor or materials. The pool committee also looked at donated labor for the project and will definitely use local contractors. If the referendum passes in May 2018, the project will move forward and the project will go out for bid in January 2019. Construction will commence in August 2019, with a new pool by summer of 2020. The pool committee recommends that the City go with option 3 of a replacement project. The Council briefly discussed following the presentation. The committee did a very thorough job and was mindful to keep the budget in mind when making decisions. Council is ready to make a decision at the July 10th meeting.

Following the pool presentation, the floor was opened up for public comment. Jen Rhomberg, a mother of four, swim team organizer and the Chamber Director voiced her support of moving forward with a pool replacement project.

Council reviewed **Resolution #49-17**, A Resolution Approving Wages and Salaries for City Employees for the FY18 Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2017 and Ending June 30, 2018 for the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Kearney, second by Recker to approve **Resolution #49-17**. Motion passes unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #51-17**, A Resolution Approving the Hire of Chris Felton as a Public Works Employee for the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Staner, second by Kearney to approve **Resolution #51-17**. Motion passes unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #56-17**, A Resolution Approving a Wage Increase for Marty Hoffmann. Motion by Kearney, second by Recker to approve **Resolution #56-17** with the removal of longevity wording and addition of his wage. Motion passes unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #55-17**, A Resolution Approving a Policy Regarding Street and Street Related Repairs in the City of Cascade. Motion by Kearney, second by Staner to approve **Resolution #55-17**. Motion passes unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #52-17**, A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Transfer Funds to Debt Service for the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Recker, second by Knepper to approve **Resolution #52-17**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #53-17**, A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Transfer Funds to Capital Pool Project for the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Kearney, second by Staner to approve **Resolution #53-17**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #54-17**, A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Transfer Funds to Reserve Funds and Budgeted Funds for the FY17 for the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Kearney, second by Recker to approve **Resolution #54-17**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #50-17**, A Resolution Approving Change Order No. 2 for the Johnson Street NW PCC Pavement – Grade and Replace Project for the Removal of Two 4” Gate Valves. Motion by Kearney, second by Staner to approve **Resolution #50-17**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #57-17**, A Resolution Approving Entering into an Economic Development Loan Agreement with Loewen-Craft, LLC and the City of Cascade, Iowa. Jesse Loewen was present. Mr. Loewen and his attorney questioned a paragraph in the agreement concerning providing plans and cost estimates for the completion of the project. Mr. Loewen said he plans to construct the 1st floor to suit depending on the company wanting to rent that spot. Council decided this wasn't necessary, but they would like Mr. Loewen to provide a financial statement showing financial ability to complete the project. Motion by Knepper, second by Kearney to approve **Resolution #57-17** with the noted revisions. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council received letters from two board members from the Library Board requesting appointment for another three year term. Letters were received from Bob Takes and Tom White. Motion by Recker, second by Kearney to approve the re-appointment of Bob Takes and Tom White and to thank them for the service. Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed the 2nd Reading of **Ordinance #4-17**, An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa, by amending Provisions Pertaining to Fireworks. Motion by Kearney, second by Staner to pass the 2nd Reading and to waive the 3rd Reading of **Ordinance #4-17**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed the 1st Reading of **Ordinance #5-17**, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 97 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa. This Ordinance will place regulations on storm water drainage. Motion by Recker, second by Staner to approve the 1st Reading of **Ordinance #5-17**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council received a report from the City Administrator. The City Administrator's report included information regarding the location of the property pins at the new daycare and that everything is fine. The St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate will be closing down Pierce Street on August 5th from 4-10pm for the annual park party. The City was awarded the RCTP grant to purchase one set of flashing beacons to be placed at the Cascade Elementary School. Crime Night Out is August 1st and the Council members always serve the hot dogs. An

update on Dollar General: The trail signs and the restriping of the crosswalk will get done around July 10th. Due to the 4th of July holiday next week, the West Side garbage and recycling will be picked up Wednesday, July 5th and the East Side garbage and recycling will be picked up Friday, July 7th. Council members were asked to take a look at the street light near Jerry Lampe's shop to check the brightness. A larger driver was added to this light. At the next meeting we will decide if it is bright enough.

With no other business, Recker moved and Kearney seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:25p.m. Motion carried.