

DUNKERTON CITY COUNCIL met in regular session, **February 10, 2014**, in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Edward Jessen presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Belmer, Fuelling, Lichty, Robinson and DeLong. Quorum present. Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

DeLong moved, Lichty seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda by one motion: a) February 10, 2014 Agenda as listed b) Council Minutes Jan 13, Regular Mtg, Jan 21, Special Mtg, Jan 27, Special Mtg, Feb 5, Special Mtg, and Feb 6, Special Mtg. Minutes as written c) Place Dec 2013 Library Mtg. Minutes on file c) Place January 2014 Month Reports on file: Clerk Budget, Clerk Bank Reconciliation, Clerk UB Reconciliation, Ambulance, Fire Dec 2013 and Jan 2014, Police, Building Permits, Library Stats d) Bills Resolution #2014-7 authorizing payment of bills and transfers as listed. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Department Head Reports:

- Public Works Director Pierce reported on behalf of City Engineer and stated that the Dunkerton Rd. project is waiting for feedback regarding the easement problem.
- Library Director Wheeler stated the AprilAir humidifier is clogging and has been informed it is due to hard water deposits.
- Fire Chief Manahl said the soup supper Saturday night went well.
- Lynne Stout reported that the Ambulance Department will be looking for volunteers and the recruitment notice will be going out in the town paper.
- Police Chief Schultz said all is going well with the police department.
- Public Works Director Pierce said that the city is experiencing some water freezing problems due to the cold temperatures and that surrounding communities are as well. There are 5 homes in Dunkerton currently and they are hooked up to their neighbors which is what Waterloo is doing too. 2 of these homes are an issue for the city since the main froze on Jefferson Street. The remaining are the homeowners responsibility. Police Chief Schultz will distribute water temp warnings to homeowners on Dunkerton Rd. City of Denver is adjusting water bill for those families affected by frozen pipes. City of Dunkerton will evaluate situation and determine what to do.
- Clerk Steffen was introduced as the new City Clerk.

Public Comments:

- None

Action to set public hearing date of March 10, 2014 at 7p.m. for Proposed FY2015 City Budget. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Mayor Jessen suggested utility bill payments be accepted on the following business day if the 15th falls on a weekend. Action to set public hearing date of March 10, 2014 at 7:05p.m for Proposed Ordinance No. 174 pertaining to Amending the Due Date for Utility Bill Payments when the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday. Roll call vote: Ayes-

All. Motion carried.

Action to approve Kwik Star Liquor License Renewal Application. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Action to approve Fire Department Application for Membership for Zach Pierce (Probationary Membership for six months and approved by Fire Members). Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding amendment to employee handbook for benefits received after 90 day orientation. Councilman Belmer requested the 90 day orientation clarification be added.

Discussion regarding water tower maintenance ensued with Public Works Director Pierce favoring a circulation pump rather than a mixer. The water tower needs to be cleaned and Director Pierce would like to contract with a company local to Iowa. Partial proposals were provided by Central Tank Coatings and Liquid Engineering. Fire Chief Manahl requested that if the water tower is drained for cleaning, the fire department be notified of dates so they can prepare surrounding fire departments in case services are needed. Director Pierce will continue to research pump and wiring cost. Water tower cleaning approved. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Discussion of Fischels Apartments to be tabled until next month. Mayor Jessen to speak directly with Fischels Apartments. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jessen said he spoke to Randy of Woodland Estate Holdings LLC and Randy agrees with the current agreement. Agreement with Woodland Estate Holdings tabled until next month. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion Carried.

Mayoral & Council Comments:

- Councilman Fuelling thanked Director Pierce for cleaning roads prior to chili supper.
- Mayor Jessen thanked Clerk Steffen for joining the team.
- Councilman Belmer thanked the ambulance department for their response. He said they are very professional and a great team.
- Mayor Jessen stated the Dunkerton roads look very good compared to other communities that still have lots of road cover.

With no further discussion, DeLong/Lichty to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Edward A. Jessen, Mayor

ATTEST: Sheila K. Steffen, City Clerk