

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
RAND CENTER  
DECEMBER 15, 2015  
6:00 P.M.

Mayor Sargent presided over the meeting and called it to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Council members present: Struble, Thompson, Ratliff, Johnson, Isom. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Miller and visitors: Ada Isom, Roger Gunderson, John Riley, Barbara Guinan, Brad Swenson, Jesusa Christians, John Tiffey, Shawn Kelly, Kelsey Dahir, Phyllis Henrich, Bev Davis, Chuck Davis, Dave Roberts, Corey McIntosh.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Council member Thompson to approve the Amended Agenda, seconded by Council member Struble. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Struble to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council member Isom. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

It was brought up during citizen inquiries that there had been complaints made about parking on 8<sup>th</sup> between St. Clair and Linn Streets creating a bottleneck. Mayor Sargent responded the Council had looked at restricting parking on one side but had voted to leave as is. Complaints were also made about the pot holes in the 4<sup>th</sup> Street parking lot and area around the recycle bins; and trash being left around the bins. Mayor Sargent responded that the City would take a look and add more rock as needed. He would also ask for an increase in police patrols and monitoring of the recycle bins.

Shawn Kelly presented a layout of the graphics for the new Suburban. He had received 2 bids on the graphics. He had tried to stay local but was unable to get a bid. He also presented a bid from Jones Automotive for lights and siren on the vehicle. They will reuse whatever they can from the existing vehicle. Moved by Council member Isom to approve the bids from Jones Automotive (lights, siren) and Action Signs (graphics), seconded by Council member Johnson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Kelsey Dahir presented and explained the FY15 audit. Motion to accept the FY15 audit by Council member Johnson, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Theresa Erixon addressed the Council with a request for the City to paint a crosswalk at the 4th & Huron intersection between the Christian Church and the Youth Center and for permission to utilize a roll-out stop sign at the crosswalk. They would provide the sign and roll it out/back as needed. Moved by Council member Thompson to approve the request, seconded by Council member Struble. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Corey McIntosh spoke on behalf of the Library Board. He stated he wanted to make Council aware of upcoming maintenance issues at the Library. As the building ages things like

the HVAC and boiler are wearing out. The balance of Tamisiea Trust used to fund the construction is available as emergency funds but they would like to be able to set money aside for these items. He stated they struggle to operate on their budget with the current funding without dipping into the trust funds. If they continue to use the bequest for operating it will not be available for major repairs. The bequest stipulates it is to be used for capital improvement. He also asked that the Council consider having city employees perform snow removal and cutting grass at the Library. Their budget request for FY17 is \$112,800. Council will consider this during budget preparation.

Dave Roberts and Chad Buller presented group health insurance information for the City employees' plan. Following discussion, Council directed City Clerk/Administrator to get additional information for the next meeting.

Moved by Council member Thompson to approve Resolution 15-47, "Resolution Authorizing and Directing The City Clerk To Write-Off As Uncollectible Certain Water And Sewer Accounts", seconded by Council member Struble. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Sargent thanked outgoing Council members Isom and Ratliff for their service and presented them with a certificate of appreciation and their name plate.

Moved by Council member Thompson to adjourn, seconded by Council member Johnson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Clint Sargent, Mayor

Attest:  
Rita Miller  
City Clerk/Administrator

## **RESOLUTION 15-47**

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO WRITE-OFF AS UNCOLLECTIBLE CERTAIN WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS**

WHEREAS, the City Clerk/Administrator has reviewed the list of water and sewer accounts showing balances due, payable and delinquent through December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk/Administrator has informed the Missouri Valley City Council that it is advisable for the City to write-off certain such accounts which are presently due, payable and delinquent as uncollected bad debts, all efforts exhausted, and such bankruptcy accounts, if any, or accounts under \$30.00 as shown; and

WHEREAS, based upon the advice of the City Clerk/Administrator and a review of said accounts, attached hereto, the Missouri Valley City Council believes that it is in the best interest of the City to write-off said due, payable and delinquent water and sewer accounts as uncollectible bad debts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Missouri Valley, Iowa:

That City Clerk/Administrator of the City of Missouri Valley, Iowa, is hereby authorized and directed to write-off the official books and records of the City of Missouri Valley, Iowa, the water and sewer said accounts, attached hereto, and by this reference incorporated herein, as uncollectible bad debts, after applying and setting-off any deposit held by the City therefore.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of December, 2015.

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Clint Sargent, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rita M. Miller  
City Clerk/Administrator

**BAD DEBT JANUARY 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 2013**

<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
20198000	\$ 234.23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 234.23</b>