

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
RAND CENTER
MARCH 7, 2017
6:00 P.M.

Mayor Sargent opened the Public Hearing on the budget at 6:00 p.m.. There were no written or oral comments and he closed the hearing.

Mayor Sargent opened the regular session and called it to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Council members present: Gunderson, Struble, Thompson. Council members Johnson and Tiffey were absent. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Miller and visitors: Judy Holcombe, Tim Kirgan, Annette Deakins, Bruce Kocher, Caleb Wohlers, Emil Gearhart, Bob Erixon, Mary Jo Buckley, Kelsey Peterson, Paul Vorthmann III, Kay Hinkel, Zach Olinger, Tom Jarosz, Vonda Ford, Leonard Ratliff, Cheryl Hellstrom, Scott Van Haven.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Council member Struble to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Struble to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition of the payment to American National Bank to reduce the tanker loan, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

A citizen expressed concerns about the City purchasing local regarding fire truck tires. City Clerk/Administrator explained City tries to buy local as much as possible but it is also responsible to get the best deal for the taxpayer's money.

A citizen addressed the Council and Assistant Fire Chief Wohlers in regard to the Fire Department's response time to an emergency call. Wohlers explained the time lapse was due to their difficulty in being able to locate the residence's address which did not show on their maps. Mayor Sargent stated it is a volunteer department so response is dependant on who is available at the time of the call. He will also look into the situation to see if there are any improvements that can be made.

Bruce Kocher presented the Library report.

Annette Deakins addressed the Council in regard to a council member being an ex officio member of the Chamber and the Main Street application. Both items will be placed on the next agenda. She gave an update on the Welcome Sign. The cost is \$37,975 not including the electrical and the Chamber has raised \$21,600 to date. She requested the City contribute the difference of \$16,375. Moved by Council member Thompson to contribute \$16,375 to the Welcome Sign, seconded by Council member Gunderson. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote. The Chamber will come back with information on the electrical connection costs and easements.

Tim Kirgan, IMWCA, addressed the Council with an update on the City's progress in reducing its' work comp rates, which have significantly dropped from the previous year. He commended the City on the work done by the City Clerk/Administrator, Safety Committee and

employees to make that happen, and encouraged the City to continue moving forward to further reduce the MOD factor.

Kelsey Peterson presented the FY16 audit report and reviewed it with Council.

Emil Gearhart gave an update on the dog park and recommended the bid from Quality Fence in the amount of \$11,960 be accepted. The overall budget for the project is \$15,000 and will be funded through grants and donations. Two ash trees in the area will need to be removed before fencing is put in.

Moved by Council member Thompson to approve the Park Board's proposal for the dog park and fundraising, seconded by Council member Gunderson. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Struble to accept the recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Board to vacate the alley in Block 70, Town Lot Company 4th Addition and approve Resolution 17-07, "Resolution Fixing Date For Public Hearing On The Proposition To Vacate Alley", seconded by Council member Gunderson. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

Following discussion, moved by Council member Struble to approve Resolution 17-08, "A Resolution Adopting The Annual Budget For The Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018", seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

City Clerk/Administrator Miller informed Council she has completed the required annual training as compliance officer regarding municipal securities disclosure provided by Dorsey & Whitney LLC on February 16, 2017. The Council reviewed the "Issuer's Disclosure Policy" and the disclosure and financial reporting requirements on the SEC laws, thereby satisfying their requirement as the governing body.

Council member Gunderson gave a status report on his quest for flags on Erie Street; asked about the status of the drainage tube; and brought a complaint from a citizen on the lack of sidewalks on W. Huron Street.

City Clerk/Administrator Miller reminded Council of the time change for next meeting due to the HCDC meeting in Mondamin at 5:30 p.m. She presented proposed changes to the lease with the Fair Board. Council directed her to contact the City Attorney with those changes. Moved to adjourn by Council member Struble, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Clint Sargent, Mayor

Attest:

Rita Miller, City Clerk/Administrator

RESOLUTION 17-07

RESOLUTION FIXING DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSITION TO VACATE ALLEY

Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Missouri Valley, Iowa that public hearing on the proposition to vacate the alley described thereafter and to record the vacating ordinance for purposes of conveying the vacated land proportionately to the proprietors of the

adjoining land in proportion to their interests, be held at the Rand Center, 100 S 4th Street, Missouri Valley, Iowa on the 21st day of March, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. and at that time and place any party having an objection to the proposed vacation may be heard by the Council. Further, that any person wishing to file written objections may do so at that time and place. The alley proposed to be vacated is described as:

The north-south alley bisecting Block 70, from the south line of Fourth Street to the northerly boundary of Lot 15, Town Lot Company Addition to Missouri Valley, Harrison County, Iowa.

That notice of this hearing be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in Missouri Valley, Iowa not less than four nor more than twenty days prior to said hearing.

Passed and approved this 7th day of March, 2017.

Clint Sargent, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rita M. Miller, City Clerk/Administrator

RESOLUTION 17-08

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

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

The annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as set forth in the budget summary certificate and in the detailed budget in support thereof showing the revenue estimates and appropriations, expenditures and allocations to programs and activities for said fiscal year is adopted and the Clerk is directed to make the filing required by law and to set up her books in accordance with the summary and details as adopted.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of March, 2017.

Clint Sargent, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rita M. Miller
City Clerk/Administrator