

September 5, 2017

The regular meeting of the Decorah City Council was called to order by Mayor Don Arendt at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Randy Schissel, Dan Bellrichard, Andy Carlson, Steve Luse, Charles Lore, Gary Rustad, Kirk Johnson

Motion by Luse, second by Carlson, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Rustad, second by Bellrichard, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- a. Minutes of the August 21, 2017 meeting
- b. Claims
- c. New Special Class C Beer/Wine Permit for Fairfield Marriott Hotel including Sunday Sales
- d. Renewal Class C Beer Permit for Oneota Co-Op including Class B Wine and Sunday Sales privileges
- e. New 5-day Class B Beer Permit for Oneota Co-Op including Class C Wine Permit
- f. Renewal Class E Liquor License for Quillins including Class B Wine, Class C Beer and Sunday Sales privileges
- g. Consider approval of Annual URR
- h. Consider Resolution 2826 setting a public hearing on the plans and specifications, estimate of costs, and setting a bid date for the Iowa Hwy 9 West Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project (*October 2, 2017*)

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

This being the date the time for a public hearing on the proposed plan for the 2017 Commercial Business Park Urban Revitalization Area (Norwegian Mutual) the hearing was opened.

No public comment. The hearing was closed.

Motion by Schissel, second by Lore to approve Resolution 2824 adopting the proposed 2017 Commercial Business Park Urban Revitalization Area Plan (Norwegian Mutual). Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance 1207 designating an area of Decorah, Iowa as the 2017 Commercial Business Park Urban Revitalization Area was introduced and read for the first time. Motion by Schissel, second by Lore, to approve the first reading. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Luse, second by Rustad, to waive the second and third readings placing the ordinance on its' final adoption. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance 1200 vacating the south 175' of Sumner Ave. R-O-W was introduced and read for the second time. Motion by Luse, second by Carlson to approve the second reading. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Luse, second by Carlson, to waive the third reading placing ordinance on its' final adoption. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Luse, second by Johnson to approve Resolution 2796 conveying city r-o-w of 175 feet of Sumner Ave. to Winneshiek Co. Ag. Councilperson Bellrichard voiced concern about making this conveyance before all matters regarding the access road are finalized. Based on discussion with representatives of Winneshiek Co. Ag at the previous committee meeting others were confident in proceeding. Roll call vote. Voting aye: Luse, Johnson, Rustad, Schissel, Carlson, Lore. Voting nay: Bellrichard. Motion carried.

Ordinance 1206 deleting property from the SW Decorah Urban Renewal tax increment financing district was introduced and read for the second time. Motion by Bellrichard, second by Schissel, to approve the second reading. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bellrichard, second by Schissel, to waive the third and final reading placing ordinance on its' final adoption. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

This being the date and time for a public hearing on the proposed plans/specifications, form of contract and to consider the bid for the 2017 Asphalt Street Maintenance Project the hearing was opened.

No public comment. The hearing was closed.

Motion by Lore, second by Rustad, to adopt Resolution 2825 approving the proposed plans/specifications, form of contract and award the bid for the 2017 Asphalt Street Maintenance Project to Skyline Construction - \$129,961.05. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Luse, second by Lore, to table action on Resolution 2811 regarding the 2017 Airport Hangar Development Project. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Bellrichard, to approve the following Mayor re-appointments:

- Judy VanderLinden – Historic Preservation
- Jeremy Jostand – Low Rent Housing Agency
- Cynthia Peterson – Low Rent Housing Agency

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bellrichard, second by Luse, to approve and certify the following 2016 resident tax abatement applications:

Gerald Kroshus and Vernoe Whitaker, 2393 Aspen Lane Rd – completed April 2016

Leon and Gloria Bockman, 2397 Red Oak Road – completed October 2016

Mike Connell, State Hwy 9 East, Airport – completed May 2016

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned on motion.



Wanda Hemesath, MMC
City Clerk, Tr.