

March 14, 2005

The City Council met in special session on March 14, 2005, at 6:31 p.m. at City Hall with Mayor Betty Walters presiding. Councilmembers present were Carson, Greer, Hammons, Wiese. Absent, Stowe. Purpose of the special meeting was to hold a public hearing on the fiscal 2005-2006 budget.

Motion was made by Greer and Hammons to open the public hearing for the proposed budget. All voted yes on a roll call vote. Carried. Comments were made by members of the audience. After some time, motion was made by Carson and Hammons to close the public hearing and return to regular session. All present voted aye. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

Motion was made by Greer and Carson to approve Resolution #7-2005, "A RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL 2005-2006 BUDGET." All voted yes on roll call. Carried.

Mayor had the Clerk read a memo from the city attorney concerning the public addressing the Council and order and decorum during meetings. Public input was then asked for. Members of the audience and Council gave input.

Motion was made by Greer and Wiese to approve the public works to attend a C.C.R. class and pay expenses. All voted aye. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

Motion was made by Hammons and Greer to approve the police department to attend a traffic safety conference and pay expenses. All voted aye. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

Motion was made by Carson and Greer to approve the Clerk and Mayor to attend an IMFOA conference and pay expenses. All voted aye. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

Motion was made by Hammons and Carson to have each department head order their own supplies and have them delivered to their offices. All present voted aye. Carried.

The rental license fees were discussed again. Since there are quite a few who have not paid their fees, motion was made by Carson and Greer, to have the building inspector send another letter giving everyone an additional 30 days to pay the fee from the date the letter is drafted and mailed, without having to pay the penalty. All present voted aye. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

Carson read an excerpt that requires contractors to be licensed by the state before doing work in the city. Motion was made by Carson and Wiese to have contractors working in Buffalo abide by the Iowa law and have the building inspector enforce it. All present voted aye. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

Special meetings were scheduled as follows: Ordinance/Finance Committee, March 22, 6:30 p.m. City Hall: Street Committee, March 23, 6:30 p.m. City Hall in reference to the drainage problem on Franklin St.: the Community Center Commission will meet with Council and Mayor on March 29, (possibly in closed session), at 7:00 p.m.

Public input was again given by members of the audience, Mayor, Council and Clerk. The Clerk read a memo from the city attorney concerning medical reimbursement the employees receive in order to keep the cost down. Motion was made by Hammons and Carson to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. All present voted aye. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

Signed: Betty O. Walters

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