

CITY OF MUSCATINE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Chambers – 7:00 p.m. – May 15, 2014

Mayor Hopkins called the City Council meeting for Thursday, May 15, 2014, to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#22839. Councilmember Spread, seconded by Councilmember Bynum, moved the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Regular City Council Minutes of May 1, 2014 and In-Depth Minutes of May 8, 2014
- First reading for a new Class “B” Beer Permit and Outside Service for Ss. Mary & Mathias Summer Festival, 2407 Cedar Street – Ss. Mary & Mathias Catholic Parish (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of a Class “C” Liquor License, Outdoor Sales and Sunday Sales for Mike’s Hilltop Tap, 929 Lucas Street – Mike’s Hilltop Tap Inc. (pending inspections); renewal of a Class “B” Beer Permit and Sunday Sales for China Buffett, 1903 Park Avenue #48 – China Buffet of Muscatine Inc. (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of a Special Class “C” Liquor License and Sunday Sales for Peking Restaurant, 1700 Park Avenue, Suite C – Peking Chinese Restaurant Inc. (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of a Special Class “C” Liquor License for Tantra Thai Bistro, 101 West Mississippi Drive #L01 – CNY Group Inc. (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of a Class “C” Liquor License for Jody’s Corner Tap Inc., 226 Walnut Street – Jody’s Corner Tap Inc. (pending inspections and insurance); and renewal of a Class “B” Native Wine Permit for The Flower Gallery, 131 East Second Street – Karen J. Diercks (pending inspections and insurance)
- Request from Greater Muscatine Chamber of Commerce and Industry for Use of City Property for a 5K Run/Walk on July 4, 2014 beginning at 3:40 p.m.
- Approval of request from Tiffany Hood for the Use of City Property for a Vendor’s Show/Fundraiser on July 13, 2014 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot used for Farmer’s Market
- Reappointment of Dan Olson to the Civil Service Commission
- Appointment of Susan Eversmeyer to the Municipal Board of Water, Electric, and Communications Trustees
- Proclamation Declaring May 24-25, 2014 as “Poppy Days”
- Filing of Communications 12A-B
- Approval of Bills for Approval totaling \$4,467,866.22

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Hopkins stated this public hearing was being held concerning the proposed Amendment #2 to the 2013/2014 City Budget.

Councilmember Rehwaldt asked for an explanation of the amendment process which includes a \$750,000 expenditure increase.

City Administrator Gregg Mandsager stated amendments to the budget are done each year at this time, and they vary from year to year. He stated those departments that are under budget will not have amendments. He stated the \$750,000 capital project increase will not affect the General Fund.

There were no oral or written petitions for or against the proposed amendment.

#22840. Councilmember Bynum moved the public hearing be closed. Seconded by Councilmember Phillips. All ayes; motion carried.

#22841. Councilmember Spread moved the resolution be adopted approving Amendment #2 to the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 City Budget. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22842. Councilmember Phillips moved the resolution be adopted authorizing and approving a loan agreement with UMB Bank, n.a., Kansas City, Missouri, and providing for the issuance of \$2,575,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2014, and providing for levy of taxes to pay same. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22843. Councilmember Bynum moved the resolution be adopted writing off debts of certain former public housing tenants. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22844. Councilmember Fitzgerald moved the resolution be adopted accepting Sevig Street and 49th Street South as publicly maintained streets. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22845. Councilmember Shihadeh moved to approve the extension of wastewater service and rates with the H.J. Heinz Company. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes; motion carried.

#22846. Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the FFY 2014 Justice Assistance Grant Direct Award. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes; motion carried.

#22847. Councilmember Bynum moved to authorize the purchase of two changeable message boards from Advanced Traffic Control in the amount of \$33,866. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes; motion carried.

#22848. Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the issuance of a purchase order to VSP Engineering in the amount of \$3,250 for an easement survey for the Musser Park to Wiggins Road Trail. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes; motion carried.

#22849. Councilmember Spread moved to approve the request from the Traffic Committee to authorize the installation of "No Parking Between Signs" on Bidwell Road. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes; motion carried.

#22850. Councilmember Shihadeh moved to approve the issuance of a purchase order to Pro Track and Tennis Inc. for the Weed Park Tennis Court Repair Project. Seconded by Councilmember Bynum. All ayes; motion carried.

Under comments, City Administrator Mandsager thanked Tom Green of H.J. Heinz and Greg Jenkins for his recent tour of the Heinz facility. He stated the company is making great strides in its expansion process.

#22851. Councilmember Shihadeh moved to go into Closed Session per Iowa Code 21.5 at 7:19 p.m. to discuss potential property acquisition. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread. Motion carried.

Mayor Hopkins called the Closed Session to order at 7:25 p.m. Councilmembers present were Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread. Also present were City Administrator Gregg Mandsager, Public Works Director Randy, and City Engineer Jon Lutz.

#22852. Councilmember Shihadeh moved to leave Closed Session at 7:40 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Shihadeh, Bynum, Phillips, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22853. Councilmember Shihadeh moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:41 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes; motion carried.

DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator