

CITY OF MUSCATINE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Chambers – 7:00 p.m. – June 5, 2014

Mayor Hopkins called the City Council meeting for Thursday, June 5, 2014, to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fire Chief Jerry Ewers was present to make a presentation of the Meritorious Civilian Award to employees of Allsteel whose quick response saved the life of a co-worker who had suffered a sudden cardiac arrest on May 7, 2014. Chief Ewers stated that on May 12, 2014 the patient was released from Genesis East with no deficit. Recognized for their outstanding performance were Tom Peck, T.J. Riley, Dale Richter, and Bill Fairman. Those present to accept their rewards were Tom Peck, T.J. Riley, and Bill Fairman.

Kimberly Dickey, who is the Energy Manager for the Iowa Army National Guard, stated she was presenting a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certificate to the City of Muscatine naming the South End Fire Station as a green facility. She gave an overview of the information that was passed out to City Council. Following her review, she presented Mayor Hopkins with the LEED certificate.

City Administrator Mandsager, speaking in reference to the convention center being proposed by Tom and Ann Meeker, stated he would like to put together a proposed outline of the terms and conditions of a TIF agreement should the project move forward with the Iowa Economic Development Authority. He stated the proposed project is a \$41 million investment that will generate approximately \$12 million which is the amount used to determine the rebate amount. He pointed out that the rebate is generated by taxes paid by the developer.

There was discussion concerning the effect the project will have on the city's bonded indebtedness.

City Administrator Mandsager stated that tonight he is looking for a consensus from City Council to move forward with the preparation of the terms and conditions. It was the consensus from City Council for the City Administrator to move forward.

Greg Jenkins, representing the Greater Muscatine Chamber of Commerce & Industry, stated the GMCCI is behind this project. He stated it is part of the vision of what could happen with the riverfront.

#22854. Councilmember Spread, seconded by Councilmember Bynum, moved the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Regular City Council Minutes of May 15, 2014
- Second 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 an Outdoor Service Permit for Boonie's on the Avenue, 214 Iowa Avenue – Boonie's on the Avenue (pending inspections); renewal of a Class "C" Liquor License for La Guadalajara Restaurant, 208 East 2nd Street – La Guadalajara Restaurant LLC (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of a Class "C" Beer Permit and Sunday Sales for Babes Sinclair, 2307 Lucas Street – Rodney Yocom (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of a Class "C" Beer Permit and Sunday Sales for Hyink's Service, 1206 East 2nd Street – Hyink's Service Inc. (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of an Outdoor Service Permit for Salvatores, 313 East 2nd – Salvatore's By Papa Reno LLC (pending inspections and insurance); renewal of an Outdoor Service Permit for Francesca Vitale's, 128 East 2nd Street – The Sicillian Pizza and Subs, LLC (pending inspections and insurance);

renewal of a Class B Beer Liquor License, Catering Privilege and Sunday Sales for Muscatine Clarion, 2915 North Highway 61 – Jelms Hotel Company LLC (pending inspections); and Outdoor Service Permit for Missipi Brewing Co., 107 Iowa Avenue – Missipi Brewing Co. for July 4, 2014 (pending inspections and insurance)

- Request approved from Missipi Brewing Company for closure of Iowa Avenue between Mississippi Drive and 2nd Street for 4th of July Celebration
- Filing of Communications 12A-G
- Approval of Bills for Approval totaling \$5,457,181.02

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

#22855. Councilmember Natvig moved the resolution be adopted approving the final plat for the Lifetime Subdivision. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22856. Councilmember Bynum moved to approve the contracts for the Police, Fire, and Blue/White bargaining units. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes; motion carried.

#22857. Councilmember Spread moved the resolution be adopted approving the official pay plan for non-union employees of the City of Muscatine effective July 1, 2014. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22858. Councilmember Natvig moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing to consider the lease of certain premises located at the Muscatine Municipal Airport for Fixed Base Operations for Thursday, June 19, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22859. Councilmember Fitzgerald moved the resolution be adopted accepting completed work for the Harbor Dredge Pipe Project and authorizing final payment to Hagerty Earthworks. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22860. Councilmember Natvig moved to approve the request of eight Taser X26P units, including a Taser Assurance Plan, from Taser International in the amount of \$7,494.40. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes; motion carried.

#22861. Councilmember Bynum moved to approve the Airport Manager's Agreement with Carver-Aero for the Muscatine Municipal Airport. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes; motion carried.

#22862. Councilmember Rehwaldt moved to approve the closure of E. 2nd Street for repairs to the HON overpass. Seconded by Councilmember Shihadeh. All ayes; motion carried.

#22863. Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve Change Order #2 for the Colorado Street Reconstruction Project. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes; motion carried.

#22864. Councilmember Bynum moved to approve the extension agreement with City Carton for recycling services provided for the Recycling Center and Transfer Station. Seconded by Councilmember Natvig.

There were questions from Council concerning the municipal index and how the city arrived at the negotiated amount of \$1,750 a month.

Councilmember Shihadeh asked if Allied Waste could provide the same services as City Carton.

Solid Waste Manager Laura Liegois stated the companies offer two different types of recycling programs.

City Administrator Gregg Mandsager stated that City Carton is basically renting space in order to provide services to the community and Muscatine County. He stated that Allied Waste handles the city's recycling needs.

Ms. Liegois pointed out that City Carton does provide services to businesses in the community and Muscatine County.

City Administrator Mandsager asked Ms. Liegois to compile a list of benefits City Carton provides to Muscatine.

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

#22865. Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve the amendment to the Greenwood Cemetery Business Office Operations Agreement with Iowa Memorial Granite Company. Seconded by Councilmember Natvig.

Councilmember Bynum asked why the office hours are only 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and not 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or 6 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Director Rich Klimes stated the agreement sets the time from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. but they can be contacted outside of their office hours if needed.

Councilmember Fitzgerald stated he was familiar with the owners of the company and he has found them to be very accommodating.

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

#22866. Councilmember Spread moved to approve the amendment to the Retail Sales and Services and Lease Agreement for Greenwood Cemetery with Iowa Memorial Granite Company. Seconded by Councilmember Bynum. All ayes; motion carried.

#22867. Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve the purchase agreement for 804 W. 7th Street. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes; motion carried.

#22868. Councilmember Shihadeh moved to approve the Task I Agreement with Anderson-Bogert for engineering services for the Airport Runway Reconstruction Project. Seconded by Councilmember Natvig. All ayes; motion carried.

Under comments, Councilmember Natvig asked the residents of Muscatine to be patient during the construction season.

Councilmember Spread asked Public Works Director Randy Hill to provide an update on the Cedar Street Project.

Mr. Hill stated that Cedar Street from Parham would be opening next week. He stated the Cedar Street will be closed from Houser Street to Imperial Oaks to begin the next phase of the project. Speaking in reference to the Colorado Street project, stated the contractor will be paving one half of the roadway tomorrow from Park Avenue to Plaza Place. He stated that Cedar Street is about one week behind schedule and Colorado Street about one month behind. He stated there were various reasons for the delays.

City Administrator Mandsager passed out information concerning the Iowa League Conference to be held in September. He asked Council to let Fran Donelson know if they plan to attend.

City Administrator Mandsager stated the topics to be covered at the June In-Depth meeting include a proposed Small Business Program TIF, a review of the Solid Waste Pilot Program and the Mississippi Drive Corridor Project.

#22869. Councilmember Shihadeh moved to go into Closed Session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss proposed property acquisition. Seconded by Councilmember Natvig. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread. Motion carried.

Mayor Hopkins called the Closed Session to order at 7:57 p.m. Councilmembers present were Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread. Also present were City Administrator Gregg Mandsager, Public Works Director Randy, and Solid Waste Manager Laura Liegois.

#22870. Councilmember Shihadeh moved to leave the closed session at 8:35 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Natvig. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Shihadeh, Bynum, and Spread. Motion carried.

#22871. Councilmember Shihadeh moved the meeting be adjourned at 8:37 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes; motion carried.

DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator