

City of Durant
Council Meeting Minutes
09/25/2017

Mayor Scott Spengler called the regular council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call of members present: Utter, Quiram, Sterner, and Mundt. Member Gruemmer was absent. City staff present: City Op. Ofcr/Clerk Deana Cavin, Public Works Dir. Al Olderog, Police Chief Orville Randolph, Treas. Mitch Richman, City Attorney Gerald Denning, and Fire Chief Jared Semsch. Also present was MSA Engineer Kevin Bailey, and Consultant Mark Brockway.

Consent Agenda: Approval of Agenda- Approval of City Bills - Approval of minutes for 09/11/2017 meeting: Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to approve the consent agenda, city bills, and minutes from Sept. 11, 2017 council meeting. Ayes: Utter, Quiram, Sterner, Mundt Nays: None Motion carried.

Public Input: None

Music Fest Follow up: Ron Alpen reported everything went smooth with the fest. A few adjustments will be made. He estimated 1,500 to 2,000 people attended, and there is some funding available for next year. The beer sales at community center were not as good; Alpen reported next time he would start the entertainment earlier than this year at the center. Member Sterner inquired if he plans to do it again next year. Alpen reported he would like to keep it going, and not charge an admission. Member Quiram recommended a committee of council to discuss the future of the fest. A meeting will be set up within a month. Chief Randolph recognized and thanked Jeff's Market and the community center bartenders for providing cold water to the officers free of charge at the fest.

Consider Res. 2017-69 Approval of Reserve Officer J. Geigle: Chief Randolph introduced Josh Geigle and recommended council approval for a reserve officer. Geigle is not certified but would begin training after January 1, 2018. He is currently the Walcott Fire Chief.

Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram to approve Res. 2017-69 approving Josh Geigle for reserve officer. Ayes: Mundt, Sterner, Quiram, Utter Nays: None Motion carried. Geigle was sworn in by Mayor Spengler.

Consider Approval of three new volunteer firefighters: Chief Semsch introduced three new fire fighters and recommended approval to council for Paul Tady, Jordan Durant, and Mike Meier. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Utter, to approve the three new firefighters. Ayes: Quiram, Sterner, Utter, Mundt Nays: None Motion carried.

Fire Fighters were sworn in by Mayor Spengler.

Mark Brockway: Brockway reported Planning and Zoning Commission will meet Thursday Sept. 28th at 6:30p.m. for the following; consideration of adding zoning district RV-1; consideration of rezoning certain lots in proposed sub division as RV-1; approval of transfer of plat from IGW Trust to Mike Ingleby; approval of preliminary plat for Sunset Farms sub division. Approval would be pending future council approval. The magazines are here and are being distributed to area large employers and businesses in Iowa and Illinois.

At this time, the mayor requested council to allow the discussion on the Right of First Refusal for the Darwin Paulsen estate because the executor and the attorney were present. The item was on the agenda at the end of the meeting. Attorney Denning confirmed with their attorney Bob Meier it was satisfactory with them to begin discussion, and no other parties were expected to attend. Attorney Meier introduced Kayla Ruter, executor of the estate. There are plans to sell 1.50 acres (house and buildings) to a grandson; and transfer the rest of the land to a son which is 23.75 acres. In order for this to happen the city would have to release the right of first refusal option. The city has two options 1.) Release the land to the estate to be closed out or 2.) Estate could sell the land to the city at an appraised value. The closest acres to the city is good farmland, further to the east is pasture. Attorney Meier explained the estate is willing to work with the city, and Darwin's wishes to keep it in the family. It was expressed that the son really only wanted the pasture area. That area is prone to flooding, and the estate would be willing to sell the remaining western land from fence line to the property line adjacent to Feldhahn Park to the city. Member

Utter stated he was in favor of consideration of the property for expansion of the park and to enhance the future sub division developments to the north. Member Mundt agreed even if the city couldn't utilize the area right away, this is the time to consider a serious offer to purchase. Attorney Denning explained any offers or considerations can be discussed in a closed session. After further discussion, it was general consensus of council to hold a closed session on October 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss and consider an offer to purchase the estimated twelve acres or not.

Police Dept.: Consider Approval for L.E.I.N. (Law Enforcement Intelligence Network) training conference for Chief Randolph and Officer Meier Oct. 2-4: Chief Randolph reported the department received a grant to pay for one hotel room and tuition for this training. Officers rotate this training every year. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Mundt, to approve Chief Randolph and Officer Meier attendance of the L.E.I.N. training. Ayes: Sterner, Mundt, Quiram, Utter Nays: None Motion carried.

Consider Approval of Annual Governor Safety Traffic Bureau Contract: Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Utter, to authorize contract for G.T.S.B. Ayes: Utter, Mundt, Quiram, Sterner Nays: None Motion carried.

Public Works: Discuss/Consider Hydro seeding bids for Feldhahn Park and City Hall: Greenscape submitted a bid for \$3,210; Kuehl's Landscaping submitted a bid for \$2,100; for seeding water main trench at Feldhahn and area west of city hall. Member Utter motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to approve Kuehl's Landscaping bid for \$2,100. Ayes: Sterner, Quiram, Utter, Mundt Nays: None Motion carried.

Discuss/Consider 8th Street Construction Project water & sewer refunds for watering boulevards: clerk reported in the spring, council had discussed a possible credit to water and sewer bills for residents on 8th Street due to street project delay. Had the project been completed in December, the need for watering would have been minimal. This credit would be applied to the occupied homes and residents as of May (spring). Clerk reviewed accounts that recently turned in the irrigation meters who had only used them for watering the boulevard. The recommendation was to be consistent with a credit to each account. Member Quiram motioned, seconded by Member Mundt, to approve a onetime credit of \$38.63 (\$5.14 water, \$33.49 sewer) to the houses affected by the 8th Street project. The credit will be on the October 1 billing statements. Ayes: Mundt, Sterner, Quiram, Utter Nays: None Motion carried. Clerk recommended for future street projects, either the city employees should do the watering or the contract should be more stringent requiring the seeding contractor take care of watering; therefore no credits or meters would be necessary.

Engineer Report: Kevin Bailey provided written update on the update on Bio Swale, Pavers, and Tower; Water main work will begin next week for tower; erection of the tower will be begin January 2018 with substantial completion July 1, 2018. Pavers walk thru with Lee Wagner- IDNR and Amy Bouska – IA Dept. Ag and Land Stewardship, was Sept. 22nd. Minor issues were noted and will be resolved by contractor. The group also did a walk thru of the Bio Swale. The installation of rock, pipe amended soils and erosion control blankets have been completed. Heavy rains caused some damage that will be repaired by contractor. Ag Land conversion is on target to begin Oct. 15th or after harvest of the area. 8th Street Project: BWC is providing the additional information to complete the as built drawings- Clerk informed council the clerk, mayor, and city attorneys met with project manager Brandon Hanson. BWC is aware and willing to work with the city to negotiate closure to the project.

Community Center: Discuss/Consider approval of replacing new front doors at center: Council has been aware the doors at the center are aged to the point that repair parts are becoming extinct. The doors had issues in the past but with the traffic from the music fest the conditions are worse. The community center budget did include proposed new front doors. Clerk reported she requested quotes from three companies however, two of the companies referred her to the third company, American Industrial Doors. The quote for all new front doors and glass units was \$9,482.58; an option for automatic door opener \$2,962.75; and option for keyed removable mullion and rim device to replace vertical rods \$1,487.58. After discussion Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Utter, to approve the bid and two additional options for a total of \$13,932.91 for the center new front doors. Ayes: Sterner, Quiram, Utter, Mundt Nays: None

Motion carried. Clerk also presented a quote for a new sliding bar door. Fold Adore company is no longer in business so the existing cannot be repaired or matched. Mayor Spengler recommended the new director and community center board work together to find options and pricing for a new bar sliding door. Clerk Report: Member Mundt motioned, seconded by Member Sterner, to approve the August 2017 financial statements. Ayes: Utter, Quiram, Sterner, Mundt Nays: None Motion carried. Consider approval for Clerk to attend Iowa Municipal Finance Officer Association conference Oct. 18-20, 2017. Member Mundt motioned, seconded by Member Sterner, to approve the clerk's attendance to Iowa Municipal Officer Association conference in Des Moines Oct. 18-20th 2017. Ayes: Mundt, Sterner, Quiram, Utter Nays: None Motion carried. Clerk reported Park board meets Sept. 26 6:30p.m.; P & Z Sept. 28th 6:30 p.m.; Auditors will be at the city October 10-12th 2017; Community Center interviews will be Oct. 3, 2017 and DDC meeting 8:30a.m. On Oct. 5th. Member Utter inquired if the attorney could break down the legal fees spent on Night Owl issues for the next council meeting. Member Sterner and Utter would like to check into reimbursement for time the city attorney took to research items that Night Owl Company should have possibly been responsible to research for their request. With no other business before council, meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Scott Spengler, Mayor

Attest:

Deana Cavin, City Operations Officer/Clerk

CITY OF DURANT		CLAIMS LIST 9-25-2017	
VENDOR NAME			
7-G	2 KEGS FOR 9-23 WEDDING		270.00
ALLBEE BARCLAY P.C.	LEGAL FEES 7-16-17 TO 8-15-17, NIGHT OWL PROJECT		4832.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	SCOTT CO ELECTRIC		141.84
ARNOLD SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES		64.99
BROCKWAY LAND PLANNING ASSOC	CONSULTING FEES		1158.11
CARD CENTER	RESERVE BADGES & NAMEPLATES, CERTIFIED POSTAGE		311.85
CENTRAL CITY ELECTRIC INC	CC ELECTRIC REPAIRS		60.72
CINTAS CORPORATION #342	SHOP TOWELS & CH MATS		111.32
CREATIVE MARKETING	RESERVE OFFICERS-POLO SHIRTS		431.64
DELTA INDUSTRIES INC	SW- GASKET FOR BLOWERS		131.23
DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC	REPAIR LIGHTS TENNIS CT & BALLFIELD		687.04
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX		8693.32
FLECK	KEG FOR 9-23-17		103.00
GRAINGER INC	CC-RIGHT ANGLE PLUG		23.12
GRIFFIN, DONETTE	MUSIC FEST BARTENDING		50.00
HARRIS, ELIZABETH	CC DEPOSIT REFUND		250.00
IAMS, STACIA E	MUSIC FEST BARTENDING		50.00
IMAGES IN INK	CH-CITY NOTECARDS		42.50
IOWA INTERSTATE RR LTD	NORFOLK DR SIGN/MAINT/ELEC		222.73

IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	MMPI TESTING RESERVE OFFICERS	900.00
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALLS JUL & AUG	49.50
IPERS	IPERS	6445.82
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	PARKS-MOWER DECK BELT	152.64
KREBS, COLLEEN M	MUSIC FEST BARTENDING	50.00
MAGUIRE IRON INC	NEW WATER TOWER PAYMENT 3	82082.19
MAROLF, CAROL JEAN	MUSIC FEST BARTENDING	50.00
MENARDS	CC SUPPLIES	39.26
MIDWEST BREATHING AIR LLC	FIRE-SERVICE ON SCBA AIR COMPRESSOR	426.49
MEIER, MIKE	REIMB ALICE TRAINING SUPPLIES	54.05
MEIER, BRENDA JEAN	MUSIC FEST BARTENDING	50.00
MISSISSIPPI TRUCK & TRAILER	ROADS-TRAILER	6164.00
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES	FIRE-GLOVES & RADIO HOLDER	236.32
POLYDYNE INC	SW-POLYMER CLARIFLOC (3)	1687.50
PRICE OIL CO INC	FUEL	1118.85
SAM'S CLUB MC/SYNCB	CC-CANS OF POP	35.90
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	FIRE-SUPPLIES	551.86
SORGENFREY, NICHOLE RENE	MUSIC FEST BARTENDING	50.00
SPENGLER AUTO REPAIR	BATTERY F550	165.00
STAPLES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	798.25
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	WA TESTING	243.00
SYNCB/AMAZON	SWITCH, FLASHLIGHT, MEDIA FILTERS (2)	334.10
TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION #238	UNION DUES	168.00
TREASURER OF IOWA-IA-WH	STATE TAX	1772.00
TRI CITY EQUIPMENT CO	CC-60 CUP COFFEE POT	95.91
TURKLE TREE SERVICE INC	STREET TREES REMOVAL & STUMPS 12TH AVE	1050.00
UNIFORM DEN	POLICE UNIFORM-HORA & SHIRT 801	300.95
UPS	WA & SW SAMPLE POSTAGE	75.64
USA BLUEBOOK	SW-ADAPTERS, HOSE, FILTERS & WA-GASKET	360.53
WINDSTREAM	TELEPHONES	995.72
PAYROLL		14644.24
TOTAL		138,783.13

FUND TOTALS	
GENERAL	30,657.38
ROAD USE TAX	11,001.16
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,014.86
FIRE DEPARTMENT	1,721.05
WATER	86,369.76
SEWER	8,018.92
TOTAL	138,783.13

