

CITY OF SIGOURNEY, IOWA  
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1998

The Sigourney City Council met in regular session in the City Council Chambers of the Memorial Hall on Wednesday, May 20, 1998, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., with Mayor Pro tem Douglas L. Glandon presiding in the absence of Mayor Blake Gosnell, and the following Councilmembers answering roll call: Douglas L. Glandon, Bob L. Mendenhall, Jeffrey A. Winn, Ed Conrad, Rich Wilkening, and Lyle G. Van Fleet. Others present, in addition to the City Clerk, were Allan Glandon, Kenneth D. Bucklin, Gini Garrett, Timothy J. Oswald, and Debi Flanders.

Councilmember Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilmember Conrad, that the agenda be approved as posted. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Councilmember Mendenhall moved, seconded by Councilmember Conrad, that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 6, 1998 be approved as submitted. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. Abstained: Winn. The motion was approved.

Mayor Pro tem Glandon opened the public hearing on the Amendment of the current City Budget for the FY 1997-98. Councilmember Mendenhall, as Chairperson of the Finance Committee, reviewed the same. There were no questions or comments. Councilmember Mendenhall introduced the Resolution to amend the current budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998 as follows:

	Total Budget as Certified	Current Amendment	Total Budget after Amend.
<b>REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			
Taxes Levied on Property	395,999		395,999
Licenses & Permits	3,150		3,150
Use of Money & Property	38,295	16,041	54,336
Intergovernmental	429,869	96,814	526,683
Charges for Services	566,350	337	566,687
Miscellaneous	27,175	79,652	106,827
Other Financing Sources	427,020	1,829,164	2,256,184
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES</b>	<b>1,887,858</b>	<b>2,022,008</b>	<b>3,909,866</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>			
Community Protection	290,048	-100,000	190,048
Human Development	111,040	70,689	181,729
Home & Community Environment	1,315,725	1,039,578	2,356,303
Policy & Adminis.	135,060	4,000	139,060
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,851,873</b>	<b>1,014,267</b>	<b>2,866,140</b>
Less:			
Debt Service	224,265	20,729	244,994
Capital Projects	390,000	803,052	1,193,052
<b>NET OPERATING EXPEND.</b>	<b>1,237,608</b>	<b>190,486</b>	<b>1,428,094</b>
Transfers Out	281,650	813,484	1,095,134
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/ TRANSFERS OUT</b>	<b>2,133,523</b>	<b>1,827,751</b>	<b>3,961,274</b>
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers	(245,665)	194,257	(51,408)
Beginning Fund Balance			
July 1	1,313,529		1,067,864
Ending Fund Bal June 30	1,067,864		1,016,456

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REASON: The amendments primarily have to do with the completion of the 1997 Sewer Project, the Square Project, and financing therefor. Donations were received for Memorial Hall, Lewis Memorial, P.I.P., Library Building Fund and 1/2 interest in the Ritzinger house. The Square Project initially budgeted was moved from Community Protection (street lights) to Home & Community Environment. Appropriations by the Library Board increased, and under P&A additional was appropriated for computer expenses.

Councilmember Conrad seconded the motion to approve the Resolution adopting the Budget Amendment. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The Resolution was adopted. The public hearing was closed.

Timothy J. Oswald, Managing Director, Piper Jaffray, appeared before the Mayor Pro tem and Council in regard to their proposal to purchase \$875,000 in General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 1998, and he said that the City would have three years from June 1st to spend these funds on another project, if not on this one; and that the local Banks are buying several of different maturities, with the interest thereon ranging from 4.2 - 5.35%. He handed out a proposed payment and interest schedule as follows:

Fiscal Year	Proposed 98 Principal	Proposed 98 Interest Rate	Proposed 98 Int. Cost
1999	40,000	4.200%	42,950
2000	40,000	4.350%	41,270
2001	40,000	4.450%	39,530
2002	45,000	4.550%	37,750
2003	45,000	4.650%	35,703
2004	45,000	4.700%	33,610
2005	50,000	4.750%	31,495
2006	50,000	4.800%	29,120
2007	55,000	4.850%	26,720
2008	55,000	4.900%	24,053
2009	60,000	5.000%	21,358
2010	65,000	5.100%	18,358
2011	65,000	5.200%	15,043
2012	70,000	5.250%	11,663
2013	75,000	5.300%	7,988
2014	75,000	5.350%	4,013
	\$875,000		\$420,620

Councilmember Winn introduced the following Resolution hereinafter set out entitled "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE \$875,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES, SERIES 1998", and moved its adoption. Councilmember Van Fleet seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was, Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. Whereupon, the Mayor Pro tem declared the Resolution duly adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A  
PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE \$875,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION  
CAPITAL LOAN NOTES, SERIES 1998

WHEREAS, the City of Sigourney, Iowa, sometimes hereinafter referred to as the City, is a municipal corporation duly incorporated, organized and existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary that the City should enter into a Loan Agreement and borrow the amount of \$875,000

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as authorized by Sections 384.24, 384.24A and 384.25, Code of Iowa, as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of this Council to enter into a Loan Agreement in accordance with a proposal from Piper Jaffray, Inc. of Minneapolis, Minnesota dated June 1, 1998:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGOURNEY, IOWA:

Section 1. That this Council does hereby accept the attached proposal of Piper Jaffray Inc. of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and takes additional action to permit the entering into of a Loan Agreement.

Section 2. The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to proceed on behalf of the City to enter into such Loan Agreement, to negotiate the final terms of a Loan Agreement, to take all action necessary to permit the entering into of a Loan Agreement on a basis favorable to the City and acceptable to the Purchaser, and to proceed to meet the conditions of this accepted proposal.

Debi Flanders, Program Manager for Main Street Sigourney, appeared before the Mayor Pro tem and Council to discuss the sale of the paving bricks removed from the Square Project, to raise money for Main Street Sigourney. They propose to sell the bricks for 25 cents a brick or 15 cents a brick for quantities of 100 or more, with the bricks to be sold "as is." They would also have a volunteer at the compost area whenever the site is open, so the City employee would not be involved in selling the bricks. However, they do not want the City to allow anyone to take any of the bricks either unless there is a Main Street representative present. Mayor Pro tem Glandon said the brick pile has to be gone or buried before the ground freezes this fall. Councilmember Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilmember Conrad, that Main Street Sigourney be given the authority to take control of the sale of the paving bricks removed from the Square Project. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Mrs. Flanders also wanted the City to be aware of a sister City in Sigournais, France, and she had asked that copies of the communications be forwarded to the Councilmembers with their agenda copies, and she will also publish a news article about the same this week. The France city may be named for ancestors of Lydia Huntley Sigourney's husband.

Councilmember Van Fleet discussed in behalf of Barb Smith the area behind residences on North Shuffleton Street where water seems to pool. He said about 20 years ago after paving on Shuffleton Street the storm sewer system outlet seemed to quit and the neighbors complain about the water problem, and he wanted everyone to be aware of what they are talking about. Ken Bucklin said he had Bill Potts look at it, and when paved it was a pretty definite drainage problem, but then Grieses built a garage which interfered with the drainage system, compounding the problem. Councilmember Van Fleet said he thinks some grading needs to be done in the future. Ken Bucklin said Bill Potts suggested field tile since water stands about three days after a rain; a storm sewer would be a big project, whereas field tile could go to the cross road culvert. Councilmember Van Fleet said he told Barb Smith that he would bring it up, but there is no money to do anything now. It was suggested they should get in contact

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with Irene Gries about tiling. Mayor Pro tem Glandon said he hates to see the City get involved at this point to get easements, etc.

Councilmember Van Fleet introduced the Resolution, and moved its adoption, to approve the Application of Thomas Reid and Lora Phyllis Manchester for Tax Abatement on construction of a 20' X 30' wood construction garage. The second was by Councilmember Conrad. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The Resolution was adopted.

Mayor Pro tem Glandon stated the Zoning Ordinance is still touchy. Councilmember Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilmember Conrad, that the Zoning Ordinance be considered the second time, toward adoption. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Conrad, and Van Fleet. Nays: Winn and Wilkening. The motion was approved.

Engineer Bucklin had a Change Order incorporating two or three items on the Square Project. All items were discussed in detail, such as the watermain across from Jacobs' Service, with the history of gas stations at that location, plastic pipe could not be used with the petroleum contaminated soil. (1-8 and 1-9). When the water is run into the buildings, who is going to connect up, since the City does not have time? The Contractor will contract with Larry Smith at \$21.60 hour to make re-connections, estimated at 3 hours each, some more and some less, charging the same thing for each one. Bruty's and Sigourney Appliance comes from Main Street at the back of the building, so that will be changed to come in on the north side of the buildings and re-connect through their basements rather than boring under the highway, and for those 30 services the total will be \$1944.00. The service lines had all been bid as 3/4", but service connections to the meters in basements were added to allow each building to have an individual connection to the watermain; relieve the property owners from providing service connections to the meters; and to provide better flows to the meter locations, so 20 1" service lines and 10 3/4" service lines therefor would save more corporations in the pavement. Councilmember Wilkening asked if it would be feasible to switch all to 1". The corporations, meter valves and adapters would cost more, but Ron Doubek wanted to go ahead and put in new meter adapters so Larry Smith would set them. Mayor Pro tem Glandon said he would like to see all 1" service lines. Engineer Bucklin said they could decide to put 1" service lines from this point on, since what they have done so far really wouldn't be affected that much. Councilmember Conrad moved, seconded by Councilmember Wilkening, to approve Change Order No. 1, in favor of John W. Sammons Construction Co., Inc., as follows:

- 1-1 Add 30 each basement water service connections at 3 hours each X \$21.60 per hour = \$1944.00
- 1-2 Add 850 L.F. of 1" copper service line at \$2.77 per L.F. = \$2,354.50
- 1-3 Add 500 L.F. of 3/4" copper service line at \$2.38 per L.F. = \$1,190.00
- 1-4 Add 20 each 1" meter valves and adapters at \$30.10 each - \$602.00.
- 1-5 Add 10 each 3/4" meter valves and adapters at \$22.97 each = \$229.70
- 1-6 Add 30 each 1" service fittings at \$297.25 each = \$8,917.50.
- 1-7 Reduce bid item No. 7, 3/4" service fittings by 30 each at \$247.25 each = (\$7,417.50.)

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- 1-8 Reduce bid item No. 1, 8" PVC watermain by 80 L.F.  
at \$35.94 L.F. = (\$2,875.00).  
1-9 Add 80 L.F. of 8" DIP watermain at \$45.27 L.F. =  
\$3,621.60

Original Contract price.....\$ 719,170.14  
This Change Order..... 8,566.60  
New Contract price.....\$ 727,736.74

Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: The motion was approved.

Councilmember Wilkening moved, seconded by Councilmember Conrad, that the Engineer be instructed to direct the contractor from this point on to use all 1" service connections on the Square Project. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Engineer Bucklin said the contractor is moving about 85 feet a day. When Main and Washington were dug up they discovered the Main Street shut off valve under the brick. In regard to the more historic type fire hydrants, they would cost \$250-\$1000 additional for all four, and he knows that Ron Doubek does not want them, and Bill Potts talked with Molly Meyers Nauman, the architectural historian, and she said she would like to see them but if we don't go with them it would not destroy our historic opportunities. Councilmember Mendenhall said we are just starting and have already spent 20% of our contingencies, so he is not in favor of an unnecessary addition. Councilmember Wilkening said he knows that Ron Doubek is not in favor of them, and it is not only the additional cost, but the tools would also be additional.

Mayor Pro tem Glandon expressed his concern that the salesman Ron deals with tells two different prices to contractors and to us, and why are hydrants less than five years old needing to be overhauled? The general contractor had to ask twice before they would give him a quote, and then he finally got a better price.

Councilmember Van Fleet said he hasn't had time to consider the Memorial Hall rentals but he will discuss later.

Councilmember Van Fleet reported the pool is on the way to being filled; he will have the inside of the bathhouse painted and he has someone to re-lay loose tile, and that shower curtains will be added; he has the paint for the outside of the building; they are proceeding along toward the pool opening the last of the month. The P.A. system is in and working. Councilmember Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilmember Glandon, that the following swimming pool employees be approved.

Scheduled Guards

Brooke Bowers  
Mindy Flanders  
Kylie Jo Northup  
Amy Strobel  
Jonathan Wallerich

Jake Flanders  
Mark Knowler  
Amber Schauf  
Erin Wallerich  
Liz Wehr

Substitutes

Greg Cooley  
Emily Wehr

Casey Thompson  
Amy Jo Wells

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Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Councilmember Van Fleet further said that the man who takes care of mowing will be gone for a while, so the Park probably won't be mowed a lot. There were a lot of picnic tables loaned out over graduation, and the new benches are nice looking. He also said he thinks a limit of four tables to any one person or group should be set, but that can be discussed later. He also said he had a conversation with one Swim Team person, and told them if he had wanted an inspection he would have asked for it, and he informed that person that we have GFI's, and that he wants no other session of cooking outside. Bill Tremmel will remove the dirt from the area by the swing sets and monkey bar and the City crew will place the ties; the rocket swing has a broken bearing and Strobel's are going to try to repair that.

There was no report from the Street or Sanitation Committee.

Engineer Bucklin said G&R Miller Co. has requested a 30 days extension to complete the watermain project - that we had a bad winter and they have been busy helping tornado victims. The feeling was that Tremmel had the borings done last fall and he could have been laying pipe, but didn't; two weeks ago they pulled off to do farm tiling; he would like to push him to get in and get it cleaned up and seeded; he is going to have to do a storm sewer yet; maybe would give consideration later. Mayor Pro tem Glandon said he is not in favor of granting him the extension at this time. Councilmember Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilmember Conrad, to deny the request of G&R Miller Co. for a 30 days extension to complete the watermain project. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Councilmember Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilmember Conrad, that a \$199 lawn mower trailer be purchased for the Water-Sewer mower. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Mayor Pro tem Glandon said he would like to see the fire hydrants straightened.

The City Clerk said she ran into a snag today in completing the April financial reports, so they were not before the group.

Councilmember Van Fleet said Mike Renner had contacted him about City sidewalk accesses: that he would do Gary Wareham's for \$290, and also pointed out that one at Deb Reeves' and Russell Aldinger's needs to be handicap accessible. He said he told Mike that he wasn't sure we were ready to start this program. Mayor Pro tem Glandon said he doesn't want to get into doing that "here and there" - he would prefer such intersections be done when we do projects affecting them.

Councilmember Van Fleet said he had been contacted about the parking on Cherry Street, close to West Pleasant Valley, by Lloyd Hammes'. It was agreed there should be no parking 35 feet from the intersection, so the distance will be measured and if necessary the Street Department can relocate the "No Parking Here to Corner" sign.

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Councilmember Wilkening asked about the letter to The Oskaloosa Herald; he had understood the Mayor was going to review it and show the Council before it was sent by the City Attorney. Mayor Pro tem Glandon said it had been sent (and he asked the City Clerk to provide each Councilmember with a copy thereof) and that a reply has been received by the City Attorney denying any wrongdoing: that he would recommend letting the matter die; that Allan Glandon is satisfied with what was done.

It is a given fact that the air conditioner in the Council/Police room is inadequate, and now with the Police computer it is more important that a functional air conditioner be used. A quote was obtained from Myles Miller Refrigeration, for a unit exactly like the one in the Clerk's office, for \$625 with trade and including installation. Councilmember Van Fleet moved, seconded by Councilmember Wilkening, that a larger air conditioner be purchased for the Council/Police room, from Myles Miller Refrigeration, for \$625, with the Police Department, Administration, and Memorial Hall each paying one-third thereof. Upon the roll being called, the following voted: Ayes: Glandon, Mendenhall, Winn, Conrad, Wilkening, and Van Fleet. Nays: None. The motion was approved.

Mayor Pro tem Glandon stated he had been contacted by a party wishing to have an alley closed, and he wanted to reaffirm that the Council as a whole will not close alleys. Without voting action, there was total agreement with the statement.

Councilmember Wilkening moved for adjournment at 8:30 P.M. The second was by Councilmember Winn.

  
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Douglas L. Glandon  
Mayor Pro tem

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

(This Notice to be posted)

NOTICE AND CALL OF PUBLIC MEETING

Governmental Body: The City Council of Sigourney, Iowa.  
Date of Meeting: May 20, 1998.  
Time of Meeting: 7:00 o'clock P.M.  
Place of Meeting: Council Chambers, City Hall, 120 N. Jefferson, Sigourney,  
Iowa.

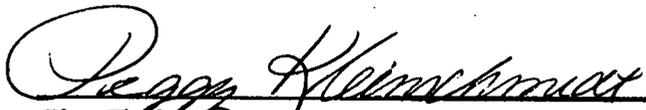
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above mentioned governmental body will meet at the date, time and place above set out. The tentative agenda for said meeting is as follows:

\$875,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 1998.

- Resolution directing the acceptance of a proposal to purchase \$875,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes.

Such additional matters as are set forth on the additional ONE page(s) attached hereto.  
(number)

This notice is given at the direction of the Mayor pursuant to Chapter 21, Code of Iowa, and the local rules of said governmental body.

  
City Clerk, Sigourney, Iowa