

CITY OF SIGOURNEY, IOWA
MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2016

The Sigourney City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 with Mayor Glandon presiding and the following Council members answering roll call: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Others present were: Joseph A. Winkler, Ministerial Alliance Representative; CJ Eilers, Sigourney News Review; Don Northup, Director of Public Works I; Brent Gilliland, Director of Public Works II; Allan Glandon, Police Chief; Aaron Kephart, Assistant Police Chief; and Angie Alderson, City Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member Morlan, to approve the tentative agenda with the following amendments: move the public safety items to right after the consent agenda as Police Chief Glandon needs to leave and to allow Mr. Winkler to speak to the Mayor and Council under public input before the end of the meeting. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member Bender, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: minutes from the April 6, 2016 regular Council meeting; Council accounts payable claims totaling \$73,037.15; Library accounts payable claims totaling \$3,756.20; and the credit card report. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Public Safety: City Clerk Alderson explained the City had previously designated Area 15 Regional Planning Commission as being the City's representative to submit reports with Police Chief Glandon's approval for the tornado siren grant quarterly reports. Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management used Matt Bauman as Area 15's representative and as Mr. Bauman is no longer working with Area 15 we need to approve another employee as our representative. Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member McLaughlin, to approve Resolution No. 2016-04-03 designation of applicant's representative with Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEMD) (Grant Agreement HMGP-DR-IA-4181-05 and Project Number DR-4181-05). Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Police Chief Glandon spoke with the Public Safety Committee regarding equipment options for the 2016 Police SUV. Council member Schultz stated that Police Chief Glandon will review a quote he has received and would like to give permission to proceed with ordering the equipment. Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member Bender, to authorize the Police Chief to spend up to \$11,000.00 and to proceed with ordering and installing equipment for 2016 Police SUV. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Police Chief Glandon stated that he is working on a grant to fund part of a video camera for the 2016 Police SUV. He is asking for permission to submit the grant, but it will be fall before the he will know if the grant was awarded to the City. If awarded the grant would pay for up to \$4,200.00. The camera will cost more than that. The 2016 SUV will be without a camera until the end of the year. Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member Landgrebe, to approve submitting a sTEP application through the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau / Iowa Department of Public Safety. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Mayor Glandon and Council member Schultz stated that Police Chief Glandon had received an inquiry regarding the 2008 and 2011 Crown Victoria police vehicles. In prior Council meetings the Council has discussed trading in the vehicles to offset the new vehicle expenses. There may be an opportunity to get a better value on the trade of the vehicles with another community. Because of timing of the offers, the Council by consensus would like for the Public Safety Committee to make the decision as to what offers (if any) on the 2008 and 2011 Crown Victoria police vehicles would be acceptable.

Public Input: Pastor Joe Winkler, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Sigourney and representing the Ministerial Alliance asked to address the Mayor and City Council regarding the presentation of a National Day of Reasoning Proclamation. The Ministerial Alliance feels this is actually a day of atheism and would like to express their dislike of this and find it unrealistic. Mr. Winkler stated that first there is not a national day for any other religion and second

the country was founded on being able to worship as each individual wishes. He realizes this is not on the agenda, but should it arise he asks that the Council consider the Ministerial Alliance's thoughts. City Clerk Alderson stated that she had forwarded the e-mail she received to the Mayor and Council and stated that Pastor Dirk Alspach had sent a letter as well asking the Council to not consider this proclamation.

Other City Business: Council member Landgrebe stated the RAGBRAI Committee met today and discussed the theme for the day. The subcommittees are set and moving forward. RAGBRAI's theme for the day will be "Spirit Day" and our Committee will be encouraging the same theme.

The RAGBRAI Committee is still working on the ordinance the City will need to pass for July 29th. This includes vendor fees, street closings, etc. City Clerk Alderson stated that the Committee is planning to require for profit and not for profit permits with the associated fees of \$300.00 and \$100.00 respectively. The RAGBRAI Committee will be having a meeting with vendors on May 2nd at 6:00 p.m. and will be addressing the fees, locations, etc. City Clerk Alderson stated that the ordinance will be very restrictive for safety issues. The Council discussed the vendor permit fees that are being considered and compared to what other communities are charging we are on the low side.

The Library is planning to sponsor an insect zoo and Blank Park Zoo in July. The Librarian is asking what procedure she should follow as our Code of Ordinance requires a permit from the City Clerk. The question is more since the Library is considered to be under the umbrella of the City is this necessary or should we just follow procedure and then everything is proper.

Park and Recreation: City Clerk Alderson stated two of the lifeguards hired for this summer will not be able to work due to college schedules. Madison Denny has graduated college and would be willing to work full time as a lifeguard and therefore the pool manager asked if the Council would consider this request to offset the two lifeguards that will not be working at all now. Council member Landgrebe moved, seconded by Council member Morlan, to hire Madison Denny as a lifeguard at the swimming pool for the summer of 2016 at a pay rate of \$7.50 per hour. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Street and Sanitation: Council member Bender stated there were bids from M & M Enterprises, Renner Construction and M4I Concrete for the street projects. There were 36 projects bid at a total cost of approximately \$130,000.00. The projects will be prioritized according to the money available and presented for approval at the next Council meeting.

The Library is asking for the parking spaces on the west half of East Marion Street and on the south side of the Courthouse. The Library and Keokuk County Historical Society are sponsoring a Bus-eum for the children in the community. Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Schultz, to approve Resolution No. 2016-04-02 for the temporary closing of the west half of the parking spaces on the north side of the 100 block of East Marion Street for the Bus-eum sponsored by the Sigourney Public Library and the Keokuk County Historical Society. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Water and Wastewater: Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Landgrebe, to approve the second reading of ordinance amending Title VI . Physical Environment, Chapter 5 Utilities . Billing Charges, Section 6-5-4 . Billing Penalty. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member Bender, to approve the second reading of ordinance amending Title VI . Physical Environment, Chapter 5 Utilities . Billing Charges, Section 6-5-8 . Water Rates. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member Landgrebe moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the second reading of ordinance amending Title VI . Physical Environment, Chapter 5 Utilities . Billing Charges, Section 6-5-10 . Rate of Sewer Rent and Manner of Payment. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Bender, to approve the second reading of ordinance amending Title VI . Physical Environment, Chapter 5 Utilities . Billing Charges, Section 6-5-12 . Watermain Replacement Surcharge. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Public Works Director I Northup stated the water quality report is a report that is submitted to the Department of Natural Resources. It describes all the testing that is done, that it is done according to the City's permit and that there are not any violations. There is an annual report to the citizens that show there are not any violations. Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member Landgrebe, to approve the 2015 Water Quality Report. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Finance: Council member Conrad stated the Finance Committee met with a representative from IPAIT (Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust) to discuss other options for investments. This gives the City something to compare CD rates with. They offer specials, but there are not any fees unless the City invests. The Committee also talked about a salt shed and the process that will need to be followed. RAGBRAI was also discussed and how the money would flow for this event.

Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member Landgrebe, to approve the following Community Betterment Projects: \$574.89 for an Alco-Sensor FST (reimbursed by the sSTEP grant), \$720.00 for National Night Out (Kiwans will reimburse up to \$400 for the inflatables), \$2,059.00 for the annual apportioning for SADC and \$2,059.00 for Sigourney Ball. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

City Clerk: Council member Morlan moved, seconded by Council member Bender to set Wednesday, May 18th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. as the time and date for a public hearing for the City Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2016. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Landgrebe, Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz and Morlan. Nays: None. Motion approved.

The May 4th, 2016 regular Council meeting will be held at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Public Input: Council member Morlan stated that he is absolutely against the Day of Reason Proclamation.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 6:55 p.m.

Douglas L. Glandon, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Angela K. Alderson, Sigourney City Clerk