

Minutes
CITY OF UNION
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 6:30 pm

Mayor Tom Pieper called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was answered by Nathan Bernard, Candy Wait and Cheryl Halverson. Absent; Alan Donaldson and Stephanie Carson. Also present were Mayor Tom Pieper, City Clerk Colleen Eagan, Steve Locke from JEO, Fire Chief Andy Clemons and 3 citizens.

Bernard moved to approve the agenda, Halverson seconded. Roll Call vote, Bernard Aye, Wait Aye, Halverson Aye, and 2 absent, motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING –Provide the public information concerning the progress, scope, budget and status of the Sanitary Sewer Improvements project.

UNION PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS
UNION SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

- This public hearing is being held to update residents on the City's sanitary sewer improvements project. This project is funded in part by a Community Development Block Grant.
- The need for and goals of the project have not changed since the CDBG application was submitted to the State of Iowa in the fall of 2015.
- Visu-Sewer and J & K Contracting are the contractors for the project. Work on the project is approximately 42% complete.
- The grant is scheduled to close-out July 31, 2019.
- To date, \$136,402 in CDBG funds have been requested and \$240,091 in matching funds have been expended.
- Ask for oral and written comments.
- Close hearing.

Public Hearing opened at 6:32pm, no comments, Public Hearing closed at 6:35pm.

Residents' Concerns: Property at 707 4th Street is unkempt and no utilities on for new renters. Questioned fitness of house. Landlord is absent. Mayor addressed concern and referenced an ordinance being developed to address derelict landlords and rental property inspections. Possible solutions were discussed.

Consent Agenda: Bernard moved to approve special meeting minutes on July 21 and July 22, minutes of regular meeting August 8' 2017 and claims paid. Wait seconded. Roll Call vote, Bernard Aye, Wait Aye, Halverson Aye, and 2 absent, motion passed.

Mayor and Committee Reports

Mayor: nothing to report at this time.

Clerk Report: Financials in folder, along with Hardin County Sheriff's report as well as the minutes from the Union Public Library Board. POM monthly report on Water/Wastewater management was also included since POM representative could not attend the council meeting.

Nuisance: Property was mowed at 707 4th Street. Update on 103 Center Street.

Fire Department: The Fire Department Association wishes to take over the emergency siren replacement. They are applying for grants and planning fund raisers. Discussion of a board with council members approving fire chief after fire department votes in November.

Fire Department by-laws will be researched and update will be given at the October council meeting.

Steve Locke, JEO, discussed sewer project progress and items that had come up since last month. Bernard moved to act on New Business Item No. 6-Pay Application 3 for group B at this time. Wait seconded. Roll Call vote, Bernard Aye, Wait Aye, Halverson Aye, and 2 absent, motion passed. Bernard moved to approve Pay Application 3 Group B for the sewer renovation project. Halverson seconded. Roll Call vote, Bernard Aye, Wait Aye, Halverson Aye, and 2 absent, motion passed.

Resident expressed concern of street work around manholes. JEO will inspect. Report at next meeting.

Pool Committee: The pool is half-winterized, bathrooms are done, power is off and the water is gone. A toilet lid needs replacement.

OLD BUSINESS

1. 2nd Reading of Ordinance 143-Change of Sewer fee.
2. 3rd Reading could not be waived due to only 3 council members present.
3. Approval of Ordinance 143 tabled until October council meeting.
4. Committee to develop ordinance regarding rental properties formed. Committee council members are Candy Wait and Cheryl Halverson. Resident member is LeeAnn Miller.
5. Fencing pools on private property was tabled until council meeting in February 2018. Halverson moved to table, Wait seconded. Roll Call vote, Bernard Aye, Wait Aye, Halverson Aye, and 2 absent, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider Resolution 17-13—Approval and Adopting 2016-2017 Street Finance Report. Bernard moved and Halverson seconded to approve Resolution 17-13. Roll Call vote, Bernard Aye, Wait Aye, Halverson Aye, and 2 absent, motion passed.
2. Consider maintenance person replacement when not available for city work. Jacob Dudley already approved to work for city. A list of preapproved duties will be developed. Person to report to Tom.
3. Consider and discussed possible action and an ordinance on trailer or manufactured homes. Example of an ordinance was discussed. Halverson moved to adopt Conrad Ordinance 146 with appropriate changes in regard to Union. A second was made by Wait. Roll Call vote, Bernard Aye, Wait Aye, Halverson Aye, and 2 absent, motion passed. First reading to be made in October.
4. Discussion of change or expanding Ordinance 105.06—Open Burning restriction. Council decided change was not needed.
5. Consider raising water deposit amount. Discussion of issue and means of determining rate ensued. \$180 for a water deposit was decided amount. Council instructed clerk to change ordinance 92.09 to reflect amount change. Ordinance will be prepared for October Meeting.

Halverson motioned to adjourn; Bernard second. Roll Call vote, 3 ayes. Motion passed, Mayor Pieper adjourned the meeting at 8:30.

Income:

General 179.63, Ambulance 793.33, Capital 1646.44, Fire Department 2.08, Garbage 810, Landfill 1197.50, Library 1637.92, Pool Improvement 1235.00, Pool Operating 1779.68, Road Use Tax 4254.02, Employee Benefits 4.27, LOST 3292.87, Emergency 1.85, Sinking Water 4200, Water 9278.48, Sinking Sewer, 4200, Sewer 55631.41.

Expense

General 7057.42, Ambulance 97.96, Capital 1646.44, Fire Department 49.99, Garbage 1007.50, Landfill 3077, Library 3937.40, Pool Operating 5501.64, Road Use Tax 966.03, LOST 3292.87, Emergency 1.85, Water 6362.44, Sewer 54,754.62.

Claims Paid

Ambulance Independent Accounts

Ann Wankin, t-shirts	53.46	Innovative Ag, fuel	38.00
Heart of Iowa, phone	6.5		

Library Independent Accounts

Alliant Energy, utility	209.78	Heart of Iowa, phone	39.83
Logan Backoff, labor	112.00	Ebsco, magazines	642.52
State Library of Iowa, eBooks	59.23	State of Iowa, data base	48.52
Overdrive, Inc., Bridges	292.38	Conrad Public Library, Summer Kick off program	46.33
Eldora Herald, year subscription	51.00	Center Point, large print	1092.96
Villisca Library, books on CD	10.00	VISA, books, supplies	1269.55

General Checking

Quick Books Payroll	3051.44	United States Treasury	1341.32
IPERS	514.67	Intuit, payroll	48.00
AVAST, antivirus	9.99	J&K Contracting, sewer project	29,615.00
Quick Books Payroll	1970.23	Alliant, utilities	2275.22
Hardin County Savings Bank, ach	5.00	NSF utility bill returned	145.00
Bank Charge, NSF return	3.00	Amazon, smart key	71.35
Quick Books Payroll	1448.21	J&K contracting, lagoon rehab	16825.00
Deposit Refund	18.00	Union Leasing, supplies	4.89
ACCO, Inc., injection check valve	44.75	Bergman, Jo, mowing	360.00
Carson, Dennis, daily readings	735.66	Fareway, pool supplies	10.15
HACH Company, sample cells	42.78	Hardin County Sheriff, monthly contract	785.73
Hardin County Solid Waste, recycle	6154.00	Heart of Iowa, phone	140.04
Innovative Ag, fuel	320.97	Iowa One Call, emails	4.50
J&T Plmg & Htg, sand filters	2716.19	Keystone Labs, lab	14.00
Knights Sanitation, garbage	1065.50	Larry's Ag Repair, oil	6.11
MidAmerica Publishing, legals	135.11	Rhonda Guy, water/wastewater	688.00
USIC Locating Services, calls	66.95	JEO Consulting, sewer rehab	2710.00