

**CITY OF IOWA FALLS
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 21, 2016**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Iowa Falls met in regular session on Monday, March 21, 2016 with Mayor Gene Newgaard presiding over the meeting. Council Members Verv Davidson, Michelle Gritsch, Roger Nissly and Rob Wohlert were present. Council Member Brue Thies was absent. Also present was City Manager Jody Anderson.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Nissly moved and Davidson seconded to accept the agenda as written.
Vote: Nissly, Davidson, Gritsch and Wohlert voting aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Nissly moved and Gritsch seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 16, 2016.

Vote: Nissly, Gritsch, Davidson and Wohlert voting aye.

b. Wohlert moved and Davidson seconded to approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 2, 2016.

Vote: Wohlert, Davidson, Gritsch and Nissly voting aye.

c. Davidson moved and Nissly seconded to approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 14, 2016.

Vote: Davidson, Nissly, Wohlert and Gritsch voting aye.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY CLAIMS AND FINANCIALS

Nissly moved and Wohlert seconded to approve the monthly claims and financials.
Roll Vote: Nissly, Wohlert, Gritsch and Davidson voting aye.

CONSENT AGENDA

Nissly moved and Wohlert seconded to approve the following:

1. **Liquor Licenses**

- a. Special Class C Liquor License (Beer & Wine) for The Gathering Place.
- b. Class E Liquor License for Wal-Mart.

2. **Tax Abatement Application**

Tax Abatement application for Peter and Marian Gehrls.
Roll Vote: Nissly, Wohlert, Gritsch and Davidson voting aye.

OLD BUSINESS

3. Revitalization Plan

Nathan Overberg with Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm discussed amending of updating the City's Revitalization Plan.

Wohlert moved and Gritsch seconded to direct staff to work on amending the plan.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Gritsch, Davidson and Nissly voting aye.

4. Downtown Streetscape Improvements

Wohlert moved and Gritsch seconded to approve Change Order No. 6 in the amount of \$28,423.23.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Gritsch, Davidson and Nissly voting aye.

5. Washington Avenue Bridge Rehab

Nissly moved and Wohlert seconded to approve Pay Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$76,944.38 to Peterson Contractors Inc.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Wohlert, Gritsch and Davidson voting aye.

6. South River Street and Brooks Road Project

a. Mayor Newgaard opened the public hearing on the Bidding Requirements, Contract Documents and Estimate of Cost for the project. There were no oral or written comments. Mayor Newgaard closed the public hearing.

b. Nissly moved and Wohlert seconded to approve Resolution No. 2016-09 approving bidding requirements, contract documents, and estimate of cost for public improvements.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Wohlert, Gritsch and Davidson voting aye.

c. Mitch Holtz with FOX Engineering reviewed the bids received. The low bid was received from Gehrke, Inc., in the amount of \$1,166,995.25.

d. Wohlert moved and Nissly seconded to approve Resolution No. 2015-10 awarding the contract for public improvements, authorizing execution of contract, and authorizing execution of notice to proceed.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Nissly, Davidson and Gritsch voting aye.

7. Property Maintenance, Junk and Junk Vehicles

a. Members of the public were in attendance and spoke out against the ordinance restricting parking in front yards.

Wohlert moved and Davidson seconded to table approval of the ordinance for further review and possible revisions.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Davidson, Gritsch and Nissly voting aye.

b. Wohlert moved and Nissly seconded to approve on second reading an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Iowa Falls, by amending Chapter 51, Junk and Junk Vehicles.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Nissly, Davidson and Gritsch voting aye.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Property Subdivision and Development

Mike Aldinger discussed with the Council possible subdivision and development of his property.

Gritsch moved and Nissly seconded to authorize staff to spend funds to look into the feasibility of the project and to have the Planning & Zoning Commission look into subdividing.

Roll Vote: Gritsch, Nissly, Wohlert and Davidson voting aye.

9. Air Show

Davidson moved and Nissly seconded to allow an air show at the Airport during Riverbend Rally and to confirm the additional insurance for the air show.

Roll Vote: Davidson, Nissly, Wohlert and Gritsch voting aye.

10. Street Lighting and Poles

The Council discussed the purchase of street light poles. The black aluminum poles from Alliant Energy would cost \$3,000 per pole installed. Staff was directed to look at other options.

11. Main Line Sewer Repair

Wohlert moved and Davidson seconded to approve the main sewer line work with Central Iowa Televising.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Davidson, Gritsch and Nissly voting aye.

12. Parks Equipment

Nissly moved and Davidson seconded to approve the purchase of a compact tractor and all wheel steer tractor in the amount of \$35,139.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Davidson, Gritsch and Wohlert voting aye.

13. **No Parking**

No action was taken on the Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Iowa Falls, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to no parking.

14. **TIGER Grant**

a. Wohlert moved and Gritsch seconded to approve Resolution No. 2016-11 to submit an application by City of Iowa Falls, Iowa to FY2016 TIGER Discretionary Grants Program.
Roll Vote: Wohlert, Gritsch, Davidson and Nissly voting aye.

b. Nissly moved and Wohlert seconded to approve Federal Wage Rate Certification.
Roll Vote: Nissly, Wohlert, Gritsch and Davidson voting aye.

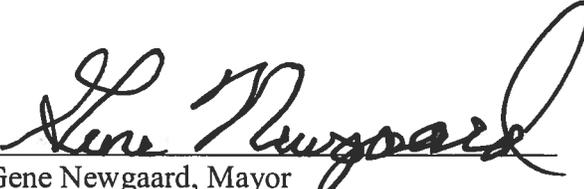
15. **Closed Session**

Wohlert moved and Nissly seconded to go into closed session as allowed in Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.j to discuss land acquisition and disposal.
Roll Vote: Wohlert, Nissly, Davidson and Gritsch voting aye.

Nissly moved and Wohlert seconded to go back into open session having taken no action in closed session.
Roll Vote: Nissly, Wohlert, Gritsch and Davidson voting aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Wohlert moved and Nissly seconded to adjourn.
Vote: Wohlert, Nissly, Davidson and Gritsch voting aye.
The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.


Gene Newgaard, Mayor

Attest:


Page Hansen, City Clerk