

**CITY OF IOWA FALLS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 21, 2014**

The Iowa Falls City Council met in regular session with Mayor Gene Newgaard presiding over the meeting. Council Members Mark Messa, Roger Nissly, Bruce Thies and Rob Wohlert were present. Council Member Verv Davidson was absent. Also present was City Manager Jody Anderson.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Nissly moved and Thies seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 17, 2014.

Vote: Nissly, Thies, Wohlert and Messa voting aye.

b. Wohlert moved and Messa seconded to approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 27, 2014.

Vote: Wohlert, Messa, Nissly and Thies voting aye.

c. Thies moved and Wohlert seconded to approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 31, 2014.

Vote: Thies, Wohlert, Nissly and Messa voting aye.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY CLAIMS

Nissly moved and Messa seconded to approve the monthly claims.
Roll Vote: Nissly, Messa, Wohlert and Thies voting aye.

CONSENT AGENDA

Messa moved and Nissly seconded to approve the following items:

1. **Liquor Licenses**

- a. Special Class C Liquor License (Beer & Wine) for Princess Grill & Pizzeria.
- b. Class E Liquor License – Commercial for Railroad Street Tobacco and Spirits.
- c. Class C Liquor License for Woody's.
- d. Class B Beer Permit for Pizza Hut.

2. **Airport Hangar Construction**

Pay Request #2 from King Construction in the amount of \$93,743.61.

3. **Wastewater Treatment Plant Clarifier**

Pay Request #4 from Smith-Gehrls in the amount of \$12,730.00.

Roll Vote: Messa, Nissly, Thies and Wohlert voting aye.

OLD BUSINESS

4. **506 and 508 Washington**

City Manager Anderson reported work continues with an interested individual.

5. **Hospital/Clinic Buildings**

City Manager Anderson reported that sealed bids are due May 14 and they will be on the May agenda for discussion and possible action in regard to the bids received.

6. **Senior Services Center**

The Council reviewed the proposed agreement. The agreement will be presented to the Senior Services Center for their approval and brought back to the May meeting for Council approval.

7. **CDBG Revolving Loan Fund**

No action was needed in regard to the CDBG Revolving Loan Fund.

NEW BUSINESS

8. **Washington Avenue Bridge Project**

a. Joe Stanisz with Shuck-Britson Engineers reported on the Washington Avenue Bridge Project.

b. Thies moved and Messa seconded to approve Resolution No. 2014-09 approving the Iowa Department of Transportation Federal-aid Agreement for a City Highway Bridge Program Project for the Washington Avenue Bridge.

Roll Vote: Thies, Messa, Wohlert and Nissly voting aye.

9. **Noise Ordinance Variance**

Messa moved and Nissly seconded to approve the noise ordinance variance on Friday, May 2, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. in Estes Park for a spring dance sponsored by Lynn Allbee.

Vote: Messa, Nissly, Thies and Wohlert voting aye.

10. **Electric Line Easement**

Nissly moved and Thies seconded to approve the Electric Line Easement with Interstate Power and Light Company (Alliant Energy) subject to the removal of the transformer pad and concrete poles on the end of Washington Avenue.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Thies, Wohlert and Messa voting aye.

11. **Riverbend Rally**

a. Messa moved and Wohlert seconded to approve Resolution No. 2014-10 closing certain streets for Riverbend Rally 2014 from July 1 thru July 6, 2014.

Roll Vote: Messa, Wohlert, Thies and Nissly voting aye.

b. Thies moved and Wohlert seconded to approve the noise ordinance variance for Estes Park to accommodate the numerous Riverbend Rally activities from noon Thursday, July 3 through 3:00 p.m. Sunday, July 6.

Roll Vote: Thies, Wohlert, Nissly and Messa voting aye.

c. Messa moved and Wohlert seconded to approve the noise ordinance variance for Fitz Riverbend Park from 4 p.m. until midnight for the fireworks display on Friday, July 4.

Roll Vote: Messa, Wohlert, Thies and Nissly voting aye.

d. Wohlert moved and Thies seconded to approve the noise ordinance variance for the city parking lot to accommodate the entertainment for Riverbend Rally in the beverage garden from 7 p.m. Thursday, July 3 through 2 a.m. on Sunday, July 6.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Thies, Nissly and Messa voting aye.

12. **Restroom Remodel**

Thies moved and Wohlert seconded to table the restroom remodel until the July meeting.

Roll Vote: Thies, Wohlert, Nissly and Messa voting aye.

13. **Debit/Credit Card Acceptance**

Nissly moved and Thiess seconded to accept the proposal from Iowa Falls State Bank for the acceptance of debit and credit cards and to charge a flat rate of \$3.50 per transaction.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Thies, Wohlert and Messa voting aye.

14. **2014 Street Projects**

Discussion was held in regard to the 2014 Street Projects. The Council asked the Street Superintendent to get prices for River Street from Iowa to Union; the city parking lot and the intersection of South River Street and Industrial Road.

15. **Hotel/Motel Grant Applications**

a. Nissly moved and Thies seconded to approve the recommendation from the Hotel/Motel Tax Advisory Board to award \$7,500 to Hardin County Conservation for their Museum Expansion Project with the funding coming from tourism funds.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Thies, Wohlert and Messa voting aye.

b. Messa moved and Thies seconded to approve the recommendation from the Hotel/Motel Tax Advisory Board to award \$7,500 to the Scenic City Empress Boat Club, Inc. for their Boat Club Floor and Restroom Renovation Project with the funding coming from tourism funds.

Roll Vote: Messa, Thies, Nissly and Wohlert voting aye.

16. **Downtown Streetscape**

Wohlert moved and Nissly seconded to approve placing the stop lights at the intersection of Main and Washington and Stevens and Washington on four way flash for the month of May as a test.

Vote: Wohlert, Nissly, Thies and Messa voting aye.

17. **Annexation Study**

George Vest, Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman, discussed with the Council having the Planning and Zoning Commission do some city planning.

18. **Pedestrian Walkway**

Wohlert moved and Messa seconded to get cost estimates, determine if the walkway would need to be engineered and find a funding source for the placement of a walkway to the new hospital.

Roll Vote: Wohlert, Messa, Nissly and Thies voting aye.

19. **FY2013-2014 Budget Amendment**

Nissly moved and Thies seconded to set the date for a public hearing on an amendment to the FY2013-2014 Budget for the Monday, May 19, 2014 City Council meeting.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Thies, Wohlert and Messa voting aye.

20. **Swinging Bridge**

Wohlert moved and Nissly seconded to authorize Parks & Recreation Superintendent Brian Lorenzen to look into costs to remove the concrete posts and the step.

Vote: Wohlert, Nissly, Thies and Messa voting aye.

21. **Metal and Appliance Pickup**

Thies moved and Wohlert seconded to grant permission for Clay Greenwalt to conduct an appliance and metal pickup for July 10 thru July 13

Vote: Thies, Wohlert, Nissly and Messa voting aye.

22. **Bond Financing**

The Council discussed financing for alleys, 2014 Street Projects, Washington Avenue Bridge, Downtown Streetscape and development agreements. Scott Stevenson with RUAN Securities will be at the May meeting to discuss this item.

23. **City Tour**

May 6, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. was the date set for the bus tour of the city to look at nuisance properties.

24. **Appointments**

a. Appointments to the Revolving Loan Fund Loan Review Committee were deferred to the May meeting.

b. Mayor Newgaard appointed Sandy Foland to the Historic Preservation Commission for a term to expire January 2016 and appointed Jerome Lethola to the Historic Preservation Commission for a term to expire January 2017.

25. **City Energy Management Program**

The Council authorized staff to look into submitting an application for the City Energy Management Program.

26. **Closed Session**

Messa moved and Thies seconded going into closed session to as allowed in Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.j to discuss land acquisition and Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.c to discuss litigation. Roll Vote: Messa, Thies, Wohlert and Nissly voting aye.

Messa moved and Nissly seconded to go back into open session having taken no action in closed session.

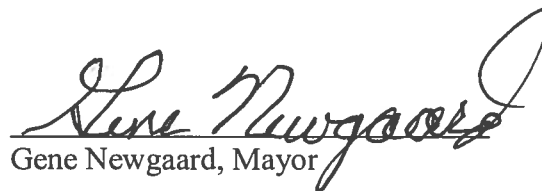
Roll Vote: Messa, Nissly, Thies and Wohlert voting aye.

ADJOURNMENT


Wohlert moved and Nissly seconded to adjourn.

Vote: Wohlert, Nissly, Thies and Messa voting aye.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.


Gene Newgaard, Mayor

Attest:


Jon Kies, City Clerk