

REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 1, 2011

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER;
2. ROLL CALL; 8 present, 0 absent, Others in attendance: Coquillette, Andrea, Kohler
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
4. PUBLIC COMMENTARY;

Coquillette appreciates keeping intersections open –street department doing great job. Very vigilant with snow plowing & removal. Everroad commented also been getting snow off sidewalks downtown so parking has been great.
5. Mayor's Comments;

Mayor thanked everyone regarding Mayors Ball & especially thanked Everroad for work. Chamber & Dahl's Home Store helped with setup.
Scroll for time capsule presented & to have signed. Library will have for people to sign. Tomorrow, 2nd of February is Groundhog Day.
Vote on February 15th – State Judiciary race & a school referendum.
6. Approval of Agenda;

Motion (Mortier/Basgall) to approve agenda. Passed.
7. CONSENT AGENDA:

****All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered routine. No separate discussion items unless Council member requests.**

 - a) *Accept Minutes from January 4,2011 Regular Council Meeting;
 - b) *Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to approve January, 2011 payables(Checks 29788-29892);
 - c) *Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to approve expenditures for Centennial Celebration in excess of previously approved amount;
 - d) *Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to use fund balance to pay for City Hall remodeling;
 - e) *Accept Municipal Operation Committee Recommendation to purchase John Deere 5045 4WD Tractor from Tractor Central - \$15,820 w/trade of WWTP John Deere 850;
 - f) *Accept Personnel Committee Recommendation to Approve The following safety programs developed by MEUW: Hazard Communication Program, Confined Space Program, & Personal Protective Equipment Program;

Pull item F.

Motion (Gabriel/Stelter) to approve the consent agenda except for item f. Passed.
Item f explanation – it is important that Employer understands these programs. The Supervisors of each department need to have this information & council as management need to be aware that they exist.

Motion (Mortier/Basgall) to approve item f. Passed.
8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:
 - a) Property Planning & Development Committee Recommendation to offer \$160,000 to Community Financial Bank, Prentice, WI for 23 acre foreclosed property north of County Highway Shop;

Schluter addressed this discussion item. The area in discussion is triangle area near Highway 63 & 53 intersection. There is an optimistic view of city & feels this is a parcel of land that will pay off for City. Discussion on how to finance. Could create a TID, could finance, etc. TID #4 is considered distressed. In TID 4: City owns 68 Acres, county owns 30 acres & Arrow Building owns 35 acres. Dunn feels City is in financially good spot now & shouldn't pursue. An individual could certainly purchase it & develop.
Gabriel thought if in bind, could sell parcel. Some commented; wonder if we can't sell what we have, why would we think this parcel would sell?
Mayor Cuskey believes this is where City can expand. If City owns, it can be annexed into City.
Marx doesn't believe it is a wise decision to purchase, price is good & would be a good piece to own, but City already has several acres that are for sale. At this point in time should not be spending money. It will take considerable funds to develop existing property should someone purchase it.
Gabriel feels it is such a visible site, good access, no road grade to deal with, a good buy.
Need to be visionaries to bring businesses into City. Negligible amount to tax payers.
It would impact 2012 budget. Should only be about .15 per 100,000 home, considering a \$20,000 a year payment. Issue is already own land. Schluter feels we should add it to land bank & economy.

Motion (Schluter/Gabriel) to approve t offer of \$160,000 to purchase. Passed – 6 yes, 2 no. Roll call vote.
 - b) Discussion & Action on software purchase for Police Department & Municipal Court;

There will be cost additional money for Court program. Two top totals – Court - \$12,505 & Police Department \$21,746 & can be spread out over 3 years - \$7,248.67 & \$4,168 for court.
Richter did her home work – committee has asked her to review other programs. She has done that & found there are no others to work with TRAKS.

Motion (Schluter/Gabriel) to approve purchase of the software. Passed. Roll call 7 yes, 1 no
 - c) Discussion & Action on purchase of new squad truck;

4 wheel drive, \$29,450 (includes municipal discount) for a 4 door Sierra, crew cab off road package, from Arrowhead Motors. The squads are purchased out of town because it has a police package & only a few dealers can comply.

Motion (Stelter/Basgall) to purchase \$29,450 Sierra. Passed.
 - d) Approve Provisional Operator's Licenses – February 1, 2011 – April 1, 2011 for: James Franklin Anderson;

Motion (Schluter/Basgall) provisional operators licenses for James Franklin Anderson. Passed.
 - e) Approve Two year Operator's Licenses – February 1, 2011– June 30, 2012 for: Shelly Lee Jones, Erin Jessica Lindsey Love, Amos B Tijerina, Jeffrey Jeremiah Holldorf, Samantha Jolene King & Pamela Kae Wahl, Received after Safety Meeting-Hannah Jane Bethel;

Motion (Schluter/Stelter) to approve two year operators licenses for Jones, Love, Tijerina, Holldorf, King Wahl and Bethel. Passed.
 - f) Review of Two year application from Danielle Marie Todd after additional information was provided;

Motion (Everroad/Schluter) to deny Todd application - there was not enough data on her original application - so recommend to re-apply. Passed.
 - g) Change April Regular Council Meeting to Wednesday, April 6, 2011 due to election;

Motion (Gabriel/Schluter) to approve change in April Regular Council Meeting to Wednesday, April 6, 2011 due to election. Passed.
9. STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:
 - a) Financial Report December;

Motion (Schluter/Dohm) to approve Financial Report. Passed.

- b) Chief's Report - incidents during January 2011;
1,067 calls. Busy month. Christman & Andrea just finished their management training.
Motion (Mortier/Dohm) to accept the chief's report. Passed.
 - c) BID Report;
There is money left over from 2010 budget intentionally to use on signage for parking.
10. **Adjournment;**
Motion (Mortier/Dohm) to adjourn. Passed. Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Debbie Koehn

Gary J Cuskey, Mayor