

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 10, 2008 - SIDNEY, IOWA

The Sidney City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2008 at 6:00 pm at the City Hall. Mayor Hobbie presided. Members present: Henderson, Vanderpluym, Kersten, Gorham & Travis. Others present: Mark Travis, Randy Roup, PWD and Suzanne Moores, City Clerk.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Vanderpluym, seconded by Henderson. Ayes: All.

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Gorham, seconded by Travis. Ayes: All.

Pat Hume presented information on Western Iowa Tourism, Road to Success. She informed the council that this would be an excellent Organization to belong to for grant funds, hotlinks on region website and to enhance the visitor industry to our area and to develop more tourism. The council will consider at the next meeting.

Motion to open the "Public Hearing" to approve the Proposed Budget FY 2008-09, was made by Gorham, seconded by Henderson. Ayes: All.

Motion to open the "Public Hearing" to Impose a Customer Service Charge on Water Accounts was made by Kersten, seconded by Travis; Ayes: All.

Janet Lemrick was present to report that SPLASH week is coming and the Library will need to use part of the city shop for the Garage Sale. Bev and Jann attended a seminar hosted by the Gates Foundation. Mark will try and get the library another bench for the front of the building.

Mike Ross from Blurr Design was informing the council of the web page he designed for the Sidney Chamber and that he can link the City Council's page if they can get it up and running real soon.

Jeff Johnson attended to request an extension on his lease agreement on Ag Land around the cities lagoon. He currently has another year and he wishes to extend another 4 hr for a total of 5. Motion to agree to the extension with a price increase to \$20.00 an acre was made by Travis, seconded by Gorham. Ayes: All.

Loyal Park from Cellular 29 was present to discuss the current Lease Agreement. The current lease expired February 2008. The council gave a counter amount of \$800.00 per month with an increase of 5% annual with natural gas connection for a generator, NOT propane gas. Loyal will take this to the company for discussion.

Steve Perry was present for the 2007 Water System Improvement Project. The bids tabulations were reviewed by the council but not all of the easements were signed so the agreement was not signed by the Ambassador and City. A special meeting on March 26, 2008 at 7:00 pm will do all of these transactions and award the contract for the project.

Motion was made by Kersten to have the Mayor sign a letter of support to conduct a survey with Fremont County Regional Water for a study of the low to moderate income families. Motion was seconded by Travis. Ayes: All.

March 26, 2008 at 7:00 pm at city hall was the time and place for a "Special Meeting" of the City Council to discuss Annexation, Urban Renewal and Revitalization and also to reward the contract for the 2007 Water System Improvement Project.

Motion to Close Public Hearing by Kersten. No one attended or sent written objections. Motion was seconded by Henderson. Ayes: All.

Resolution # 2008-04 entitled, "SETTING THE SALARIES FOR APPOINTED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF SIDNEY FOR THE YEAR 2008-2009" was read and approved by motion from Kersten, seconded by Gorham. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Travis, Gorham, Kersten, Vanderpluym, Henderson. Nays: None.

Resolution # 2008-06 entitled; "DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE IA DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATIONS' SMALL TOWN REPLACEMENT AND APPLY TO RECEIVE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNING MATERIALS FROM THE IA D.O.T" was read and approved by Kersten, second by Henderson. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Travis, Gorham, Kersten, Vanderpluym, Henderson. Nays: None.

Resolution # 2008 -07 entitled "APPROVING PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2008-2009" was approved by Kersten, second by Travis. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Travis, Gorham, Kersten, Vanderpluym, Henderson. Nays: None.

ORDINANCE # 6-4-11: Amending/Adding a Customer Service Charge of \$5.00 per month on water customer's monthly bill. The 1st reading was conducted and accepted by motion from Gorham, seconded by Henderson. Ayes: All. Motion to waive the 2nd and 3rd Readings and Pass the amendment was made by Kersten, seconded by Vanderpluym. Ayes:ALL. Once published, the Ordinance will be changed.

ORDINANCE # 6-5-11 "LANDFILL FEES" changes were read and the Monthly fees were changed from \$1.50 for Residential and \$4.50 Commercial to: \$1.75 Residential and \$5.00 Commercial to be effective on the June 1, 2008 water bills and to be paid to Fremont County Landfill as of July 1, 2008. Motion was made to approve increase by Gorham, seconded by Kersten. Ayes: ALL. Motion to waive the 2nd and 3rd reading was made by Vanderpluym, seconded by Gorham. Ayes: ALL. Amendment in force once published.

Pool Manager applications were reviewed. Carly Travis was the only one to apply and she is registered to take the Pool Operator's Class April 8th and 9th, 2008 in Council Bluffs, IA. Motion to hire Carly Travis if she passes the class was made by Henderson, seconded by Kersten. Ayes: All.

The city will have to have a professional company to install the new diving board at the swimming pool.

Joe Travis left the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Motion to leave the 2008 swimming pool fee's the same as last year by Gorham, seconded by Kersten. Ayes: All.

Kersten gave a report to the council in regard to the research on Playground Equipment.
 T. J. Pattermann, City Attorney sent the Sidney Housing By-Laws so we can have for the March 26th meeting.
 Motion to approve the bills was made by Gorham & Vanderpluym. All.
 Motion to adjourn at 8:20 pm was made by Gorham. Ayes: All.

CLAIMS FOR MARCH 10, 2008:

6POSTMASTER, CERTIF MAIL	10.42
IOWA DNR, WATER TESTING	30.00
MID AMER, ENERGY	3010.19
IOWA TELECOM, PHONES	560.59
FIRST NAT'L BANK, VISA	39.56
AQUILA, NATURAL GAS	1613.20
WELLMARK, DENTAL INS	129.10
AFLAC, EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	233.90
ORSCHLEN'S, SUPPLIES	317.86
INSURERS ADMIN CORP, HEALTH INS	3056.49
CELLULAR 29, CELL PHONES	142.18
POSTMASTER, POSTAGE/BILLS	134.16
IRS, PAYROLL TAXES	5344.02
ALAMAR, POLICE UNIFORM	98.84
AUSTIN RICHARDSON, REIMB/WATER DEP	27.28
AWWA, BOB TRAINING	25.00
IAMU, CONSUMER TRAINING/RANDY	10.00
***CASEY'S, GASOLINE	750.30
DON'S UNIFORMS, POLICE	30.95
HOLT GAS, CEMTERY/WATER	267.50
FREMONT COUNTY ENG, SAND/SALT	360.00
FREMONT CNTY LANDFILL, FEB FEE'S	890.50
GRAPE COMM HOSP, POLICE/PHYSICAL	190.00
HEARTLAND CLASSIFIED, POOL MANAGER	37.00
HENNEMAN, SUPPLIES	76.80
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, POOL REG	35.00
IOWA LAW ENFOR., ACADEMY FEE'S	3575.00
IOWA RURAL WATER, TRAINING/RANDY	10.00
IOWA TELECOM, TELEPHONES	554.85
IWCC, MARK/TRAINING (WASTEWATER)	495.00
JOYCE MOSELEY, LAND RENT	525.00
MARYVILLE, SUPPLIES	235.98
MIDWEST LABS, TESTING-WATER/SEWER	788.95
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, METERS & COUPLINGS	1110.73
OLMSTED & PERRY, AMBASSADOR WATER SUPPLY	1177.65
PENN DRUG, SUPPLIES	5.37
RANDY & KAREN CHAPMAN, EASEMENT ACQU	250.00
REGIONAL IV, WASTE-WATER TRAINING	32.00
RICHARDSON SANITATION, FEB RECYCLE	521.60
SIDNEY ARGUS, PUBLICATIONS	479.87
SIDNEY FOODS, SUPPLIES	12.99
SMITH PETERSON, LEGAL FEES	150.00
SUZANNE MOORES, REIMB/MILAGE	16.10
WILLIS & WILLIS, SETUP & REPLACE MONITOR	190.00

REVENUE BY FUND AS OF FEBRUARY 29, 2008,

GENERAL FUND	\$16,622.72
ROAD USE TAX	\$8,476.85
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	\$197.31
DEBT SERVICE	\$296.94
PERMANENT FUNDS	\$0.00
WATER FUND	\$11,473.10
SEWER FUND	<u>\$5,599.59</u>
TOTAL	\$42,666.51

EXPENDITURE BY FUND AS OF FEBRUARY 29, 2008

GENREAL FUND	\$29,365.28
ROAD USE TAX	\$14,831.67
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	\$1,183.76
WATER FUND	\$7,895.90
SEWER FUND	<u>\$5,593.26</u>
TOTAL	\$58,869.87