

CITY OF MUSCATINE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Chambers – 7:00 p.m. – May 4, 2017

Mayor Broderson called the City Council meeting for Thursday, May 4, 2017, to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Saucedo, Harvey, Bynum, and Spread.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pete Degabriele, 2772 Surrey Court, stated that Senior Resources will be holding a fundraising picnic on Saturday in the parking lot across from City Hall. He stated it begins at 11:00 a.m. and will actually be a barbeque contest. He invited everyone to attend.

#23819. Councilmember Saucedo, seconded by Councilmember Natvig, moved the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Regular City Council Minutes – April 20, 2017
- Second reading for a Class “C” Liquor License and Outdoor Sales for Missterssippi’s, 2108 Grandview Avenue – Amanda Hart (pending inspections and insurance) and first reading for a Class “C” Liquor License and Brew Pub for The Cellar, 2402 Park Avenue – Lloyd-Watson Enterprises (pending inspections)
- Request Approved from Geneva Golf & Country Club for the Dispensing of Fireworks by J&M Displays in Conjunction with Its Annual Family Fun Day
- Request Approved from TelCom Construction for Closure of Oak Street on May 9, 2017
- Proclamation Adopted Declaring May 21-27, 2017 as “Emergency Medical Services Week”
- Proclamation Adopted Declaring May 2017 as “National Bike Month”, May 15-19, 2017 as “Bike to Work Week”, and May 19, 2017 as “Bike to Work Day”
- Filing of Communications 12A-C
- Bills for Approval totaling \$1,061,799.17

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Broderson stated this public hearing concerns the proposed submission of an application for state and federal transit funding.

There were no oral or written petitions for or against the proposed submission of the application.

#23820. Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Councilmember Rehwaldt. All ayes; motion carried.

#23821. Councilmember Saucedo moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing on the proposed Landfill Cell #5 Expansion Project for Thursday, May 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Harvey. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Saucedo, Bynum, Harvey, and Spread. Motion carried.

#23822. Councilmember Natvig moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing on Amendment #2 to the Fiscal Year 2016/2017 City Budget. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes: Councilmembers Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Natvig, Saucedo, Bynum, Harvey, and Spread. Motion carried.

#23823. Councilmember Saucedo moved to approve the request from the Police Department to accept the donation from Kent Corporation and to authorize the issuance of a purchase order for Special Response Team equipment. Seconded by Councilmember Bynum.

There were questions from City Council concerning the equipment being purchased that were addressed by Lieutenant Tony Kies.

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

#23824. Councilmember Harvey moved to approve the Landowner Agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for the Houser Street Pollinator Project. Seconded by Councilmember Natvig.

Mayor Broderson introduced Water Pollution Control Plant Director Jon Koch and his guests, Dave Cooney of the Muscatine Pollinator Group and Ron Knopik who is a biologist for the Partners and Fish and Wildlife Program.

Mr. Koch talked about the location of the pollinator park and the advantages it offers to the City of Muscatine.

Mr. Knopik thanked Mayor Broderson for her proclamation adopted last August pledging to protect the Monarch butterfly. He stated the City of Muscatine is lucky to have such strong support for this project.

Mr. Knopik talked about the area being proposed for the pollinator park. He listed the types of plants that will be planted and the benefits of the park to the City of Muscatine. He stated it would take approximately two to three years for the park to become established.

There were questions and comments from City Council that were addressed by Mr. Knopik.

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

#23825. Councilmember Saucedo moved to approve the contract amendment to the Blue White Collar Bargaining Unit. Seconded by Councilmember Natvig.

There were questions and comments from City Council that were addressed by City Administrator Gregg Mandsager.

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

#23826. Councilmember Saucedo moved to approve the appointments of Cindy Tubandt and Shelly Maharry to the Convention & Visitors Board. Seconded by Councilmember Spread. All ayes; motion carried.

#23827. Councilmember Natvig moved to accept the property from Muscatine County to be deeded to the City of Muscatine and to declare the property as surplus. Seconded by Councilmember Saucedo.

There were questions and comments from City Council that were addressed by Community Development Director Dave Gobin.

Vote – All ayes; motion carried.

#23828. Councilmember Spread moved to authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Bryant Roofing in the amount of \$37,000 for replacement of the Public Safety Building apparatus room. Seconded by Councilmember Harvey.

There were questions from City Council that were answered by Fire Chief Jerry Ewers and Public Works Director Brian Stineman.

All ayes; motion carried.

#23829. Councilmember Rehwaldt moved to authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Barker Lemar Engineering Consultants in the amount of \$96,520 for the design and oversight of the next landfill cell. Seconded by Councilmember Bynum. All ayes; motion carried.

#23830. Councilmember Natvig moved to approve a change order for the Public Safety Building HVAC Project and to authorize the issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$5,254.43 to the Crawford Company for this change order. Seconded by Councilmember Harvey.

There were questions and comments from City Council concerning the need for new pumps that were addressed by Public Works Director Stineman.

All ayes; motion carried.

#23831. Councilmember Harvey moved to receive and file the post-hearing removal briefs and proposed decisions and to set item on the May 11, 2017 In-Depth agenda for discussion and possible action regarding the removal petition. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald. All ayes; motion carried.

Under comments, Councilmember Saucedo thanked staff for their cleanup efforts during Spring Cleanup Week. He stated that hopefully the confusion will lessen in the future.

Councilmember Fitzgerald stated it was his understanding residents could still take things to the Transfer Station on Friday and also on Saturday morning.

Interim Solid Waste Manager Kristy Korpi stated things will be accepted at the Transfer Station Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until noon. She then gave the costs for electronic items and tires.

City Administrator Mandsager reminded everyone that the Transfer Station offers free bulk pickup three times a year.

Councilmember Natvig thanked the street crew and refuse collection crew for how efficiently they worked together.

Councilmember Rehwaldt stated the amount of debris picked up was phenomenal.

Mayor Broderson stated that today was “National Day of Prayer”. She asked the citizens of Muscatine to pray for each other, City Council, Mayor, staff, first responders of the Police and Fire departments, our state, our country, our leaders, our children and families, and the working people. She asked for the Lord’s guidance and protection.

#23832. Councilmember Harvey moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Bynum. All ayes; motion carried.

Diana Broderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator