

## CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

July 7, 2011

The City Council met at 5:00 p.m. in regular session with Mayor Pro-Tem Tony Zimmerman presiding. Council present: Humann, True, Shepherd and Zimmerman who was acting as chair. Council absent: Tooley.

Guests in attendance: Gloria Myers, Carol Rosenbaum, Izetta Dierking, Artie Cox, Linda Booth, Bob Hilligas, Pat McGinn, Deb Linden.

City staff in attendance: Jim Blum and Terri Abel.

Motion by Humann, seconded by True to approve the agenda. Ayes: True, Humann, Zimmerman, Shepherd. Carried.

Motion by True, seconded by Humann to approve the preceding month's minutes and Library minutes. Ayes: Humann, Zimmerman, Shepherd, True. Carried.

Motion by Humann, seconded by True to approve the Treasurer's and Clerk's reports. Ayes: Zimmerman, Humann, Shepherd, True. Carried.

Lieutenant Pat McGinn, representing the Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office, was present at the Council meeting to discuss law enforcement issues. The Council members indicated that speeding has continued to be a problem throughout the community, and they briefly discussed the speed limit signs along Highway 83 adjacent to the south entrance into the community. Blum noted that he had discussed the speed limit signs with employees of the State D.O.T. shed in Avoca, and one of the 45 mph speed signs has been replaced. Blum stated that he would again discuss the problem with the 20 mph speed sign with the D.O.T. employees. McGinn stated that he would be happy to write a recommendation from the Sheriff's Office concerning the replacement, the placement, or the enlargement of the 20 mph speed sign. True commented that the same situation exists on Highway 83 at the west entrance to the community.

McGinn stated that the County will bring a speed trailer to Walnut once the trailer is no longer needed at Crescent for speed enforcement issues connected to the current flooding situation. Both Humann and True stated that speeding is the biggest law enforcement issue in the community, especially on Antique City Drive. After reviewing the newest report from the Sheriff's Office, Humann commented that there were very few tickets being written for speeding, so it would appear that the deputies are not doing anything to enforce speed control. Humann urged McGinn to request that the deputies be more conscientious about speed patrol. McGinn stated that he would address the issue with the road patrol deputies. Shepherd also requested that the deputies provide more patrol in the vicinity of the Interstate exits. There have been complaints about vehicles exiting the Interstate ramps without stopping.

McGinn provided the Council members with his email address, and he urged them to email him whenever they have any law enforcement questions or concerns. The Council members thanked Pat for attending the meeting.

Blum provided the Council members with a progress report concerning the Walnut Street Curb and Gutter Project. The manhole has been set on the south end, and the contractor is working from the manhole north to replace the sanitary sewer main. The project will not be completed until at least the middle of August. Jim noted that the two-block area of Walnut Street will actually be lower upon completion of the project. All of the asphalt has been removed, and the street will actually be lowered an additional 6" to 8" during the course of the project. The sidewalks will ultimately be higher than the street and lower than the front doors of the houses. Blum also stated that the concrete street will taper back to the same height of the parking lot at Calvary Baptist Church; the ditches will be filled in, and there will be curb and gutter on both sides.

The Council members were provided with a draft resolution approving the contract and bonds for the Walnut Street Curb and Gutter Project. The contract would be between the City of Walnut and McCarthy Trenching, LLC of Avoca Iowa in the amount of \$307,762.65.

Motion by Shepherd, seconded by Humann to adopt Resolution 11-07-01, A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT AND BONDS. Ayes: Shepherd, Zimmerman, True, Humann. Carried.

Carol Rosenbaum, the Chairman of the Splash Pad Committee, was present at the Council meeting to provide an update regarding the Splash Pad Project. Rosenbaum reported that she has received many happy comments from parents regarding the addition

of the splash pad to the community. One of the water features was not working properly; however, Blum reported that the manufacturer's representative has addressed the issue, and the feature is now working correctly. Jim stated that he will check the water feature to make certain that it is working as designed.

Rosenbaum reported that the City had received a donation for the purchase of a bench, which will be installed near the splash pad.

Blum reported that the City is pumping a great deal more water since the splash pad was installed. Currently, all of the water expense is being charged against the Water Fund. At the end of the summer, Abel and Blum will review any increased water costs that could be attributed to the operation of the splash pad. It might become necessary to make a transfer from Culture and Recreation into the Water Fund to offset some of the expenses. Blum also commented that if there is a major leak in the community, the splash pad would be turned off until the leak has been repaired.

Blum reported that the drainage problem that surfaced after the installation of the splash pad has been resolved. The water from the splash pad was draining onto a farm field. Once the problem was discovered, a contractor was hired by the City, and a berm was built. The water now properly stays in the ditch north of the farm field. After the crops are removed from the adjacent farm fields in the fall, the ditches will be cleaned to create a better channel for the water to drain. The water is no longer draining onto private property.

Rosenbaum thanked Blum for all of the extra time that he has spent watering the new sod in the park and making certain that the splash pad is operating and draining properly. Carol reiterated that the children of the community absolutely love the new splash pad. Abel commented that the park and especially the shelter are being used more frequently than in the past. Shepherd said that perhaps the City should consider charging rent for the shelter; any proceeds could be used to pay increased water costs.

Booth thanked the City Council for hosting the dedication of the splash pad. She also commended Carol Rosenbaum for her work as Chairman of the Splash Pad Committee.

City Hall is working to develop rules for the operation of the splash pad; the rules will be incorporated onto a permanent sign. Abel indicated that the rules will again be posted in the park until a permanent sign can be obtained.

Abel noted that fundraising efforts for the second phase of the splash pad are ongoing. Rosenbaum reminded the Council members that Cash Splash tickets will be sold only until the end of July. A memorial bench will be ordered and installed near the splash pad, and hopefully more benches will be purchased as funding allows.

Blum reminded the Council members of the planned lighting project that will occur in Fireman's Park. Jim requested the assistance of the Council members in determining the location of the old-fashioned light poles that are planned for the park area.

Bob Hilligas was present at the Council meeting to discuss the City's annual allocation of \$5,000.00 for advertising. Bob prefaced the discussion by explaining that Linda Booth had relinquished her tourism position effective June 30, 2011, and Hilligas is temporarily filling the position. Bob provided the Council members with a breakdown of where the FY 11-12 tourism allocation would be spent during the upcoming fiscal year. Plans are to spend \$900.00 in the 2012 Iowa Travel Guide, \$170.00 for the 2012 Iowa State Fair Guide, \$100.00 for the Metro Guide of the Omaha World-Herald, \$150.00 for membership fees to Western Iowa Tourism, \$700.00 to participate in advertising through Western Iowa Tourism, \$830.00 to advertise in the AAA Living State Co-op Ad, \$100.00 to be included in Vacation Iowa, which is a Des Moines Register publication, \$150.00 to be used in conjunction with tourism meetings, \$950.00 for postage and envelopes, \$750.00 for printing brochures, and \$1,000.00 for signage. The last two expenses are grants that have been received, the cost of which is shared with the tourism allocation. It was noted that the \$5,000.00 tourism allocation was included in the City's budget for the current fiscal year.

During the course of reviewing the tourism budget, Hilligas noted that the City allocation of \$5,000.00 is intended to promote the entire community.

Hilligas explained that the merchants do not share in the tourism expenses. The merchants pay dues for brochures, advertising in trade magazines, and various other advertising opportunities. It costs \$1,500.00 whenever 10,000 brochures are printed. The brochures are distributed along three interstates, including I-80, I-29, and I-35. Booth noted that the \$750.00 allocation for brochures was intended to cover one-half of

the cost to print 10,000 additional brochures that feature a map of Walnut as well as a listing of antiques and specialty shops, food and lodging, and business services. Linda reported that she had received a grant to pay for the other 50% of the total \$1,500.00 cost. Because of the grant, the Western Iowa Tourism logo has to appear on the brochure. Most of the brochures are distributed at welcome centers and in the local antique shops.

As a result of last year's advertising efforts, the State of Iowa and AAA provided approximately 1,500 leads from individuals requesting additional information about Walnut. The leads were used by Welcome Center staff to send informational packets about the community. Booth noted that the size of the packets has been reduced, in an attempt to save postage costs.

Hilligas reported that he had recently collected \$4,800.00 of the \$5,000.00 fee to support the Marne I-80 billboard from the community merchants.

Motion by True, seconded by Humann to approve the Walnut tourism budget for FY 11-12. Ayes: Zimmerman, True, Shepherd, Humann. Carried.

Humann stated that all of the information that is being mailed in the packets is already included on the City's new website. Kathy also suggested that all of Walnut's advertising should focus on the City's website as a source of information about the community. She commented that perhaps there is more of a high-tech method of disseminating information about the community rather than sending packets via the post office.

Artie Cox was present at the City Council meeting to request permission to raise chickens at her residence, which is located at 310 Antique City Drive. Artie had first appeared at the May City Council meeting where the Council members had requested that Artie obtain letters from all of the residents who live on her block, including the neighbors across the alley. The letters were to state whether or not each neighbor approved of Artie's plans to raise chickens at her residence. Discussion was tabled at the June City Council meeting until the July meeting, giving Artie additional time to contact her neighbors.

According to the City Code of Ordinances, it is unlawful for a person to keep livestock, including poultry, within the City limits except by written consent of the Council or except in compliance with the City's zoning regulations. Artie distributed a copy of urban chicken laws and ordinances for review by the Council members. She had obtained the information from the Internet. She noted that many communities allow chickens with stipulations regarding the number of chickens allowed and the location where they are allowed.

Artie stated that she would like permission to raise six to ten laying hens, which she will keep penned in a 20' x 20' area in her backyard on her property. The hens would not be close to any of her neighbors' property. The pen would not be highly visible except from the alley; the penned area would be directly behind Cox's house. Artie did not feel that there would be an odor problem from only a few hens. She would not have any roosters on her property, so Cox also did not feel that the chickens would create a noise problem. In the spring of the year, she would also have baby chicks for approximately six weeks, which she would ultimately butcher for her own use. Artie noted that there are already people within the City limits who are raising rabbits, pigeons, and/or dogs for sale.

When questioned by True, Artie reported that she had discussed her request with some of her neighbors, but not all of them. Some of her neighbors had voluntarily contacted Artie to say that they were not opposed to her plans to raise chickens. Artie stated that she was uncomfortable with contacting her neighbors, and she did not want to intimidate them in any way. Shepherd said that she could understand what Artie was saying about her neighbors, and Sue suggested that Artie send each neighbor a letter. The neighbors could then contact City Hall with either their approval or disapproval of Cox's plans. Susan felt that Artie's neighbors should have a right for input on the matter. True noted that Artie Cox had already been allowed two months to contact her neighbors. Humann did not feel that the City Council should either allow or disallow Artie's request to raise chickens without a proper ordinance in place to provide boundaries and guidelines. Artie agreed that bylaws should be in place. She stated that she would abide by the Council's stipulations, but other residents may not be so willing to comply with the wishes of the City Council without proper ordinances in place to regulate the raising

of chickens in the City limits. True felt that the City Council should vote on whether it would allow Cox to raise chickens before adopting an ordinance to regulate the practice.

Humann said that, unfortunately, those residents that she had talked to did not feel that it was a good idea to allow chickens so close to the Business District.

Discussion briefly turned to the large number of wild cats that are in the community, many of which could carry diseases such as rabies and distemper. There are currently no licensing requirements in Walnut for cats.

Motion by Humann, seconded by True to allow Artie Cox to raise chickens on her property in the City limits. Nays: True, Shepherd, Humann, Zimmerman. Motion failed.

Humann commented that perhaps the City Council should sometime in the future revisit the matter and address the possibility of implementing guidelines allowing residents to raise chickens in the City limits with definite stipulations regarding numbers and location.

Artie Cox was also present at the Council meeting to request the repair of a security light that is currently situated on the telephone pole in the alley behind her house. Cox reported that the security light has not worked for quite some time, and she noted that the alley and the adjacent back yards are extremely dark at night. Artie stated that the security light has been lit for fourteen years, and she would like to have it back. Jim explained that the security light was installed by the City many years ago when the property next to Artie Cox was a parking lot. Ron Hamilton has since purchased the property and built a business. Blum agreed that it is dark in the alley, but he also noted that all of the other alleys in the community are dark, and the City does not provide security lights in those alleys. Blum did not feel that the City should continue to pay to light the security light behind Artie's house without paying for security lights for all other alleys in the community. Artie indicated that she has a motion light on her house, but the light does not extend to the alley. The Council members agreed with Blum, and they did not feel that the City should install security lights in the alleys, and they did not feel that the City should repair the security light behind Artie Cox's house. Upon investigation, Abel stated that the City has been paying \$19.00 per month for electricity to operate the security light in Artie's alley. Upon further discussion, it was the consensus of the Council that the City should not light one alley without lighting all of the other alleys in the community. At \$19.00 per month per light, Shepherd did not feel that it would be fiscally feasible to light all of the alleys. The Council members felt that if residents want more light, they should be responsible to light their own houses. Cox felt that the light in her alley provided some security for the adjacent property owners, especially since the City does not employ a full-time police officer. Abel was instructed to contact MidAmerican Energy to request the removal of the security light in the alley behind the Artie Cox residence.

Deb Linden was present at the Council meeting to request permission to seed the pasture that is located on her property, leaving the pasture native with grasses and wild flowers. Linden's property is located at 230 Pearl Street. Linden noted that she no longer keeps horses in her pasture, and she has had a great deal of difficulty keeping the weeds under control. She also cannot afford to remove the trees from the pasture area. Linden stated that the Department of Natural Resources has seed for native grasses and wild flowers available, and she requested permission to seed the pasture with native Iowa grasses, mowing the pasture once a year. She felt that the native grasses would eventually choke out the weeds, and she intended to use herbicide to keep the weeds under control until the native grasses have a chance to take over. If the pasture is not mowed regularly, the native grasses have an opportunity to reseed naturally. Deb indicated that she also intended to remove the fence before seeding the area. She would probably seed the pasture in the fall, preparing the area first by using herbicide to kill the weeds. During the course of the discussion, Linden stated that she only has a small mower to take care of her property.

True questioned what Linden was planning to do with the junk that has accumulated on Deb's property and the weeds that are growing next to Cheryl's property. Linden stated that she recently sprayed the weeds with herbicide and that the junk was deposited onto her property by the previous neighbors. True stated that she would take a look at the junk and perhaps assist Linden with cleaning up the property.

Humann questioned whether Linden had any photos available that would show what Deb would envision for her property. Linden did not have any pictures available, but she stated that she would be willing to compile some information for the benefit of the Council members. Linden was requested to provide the information to City Hall prior

to the next regular meeting. Permission to seed Linden's pasture is to appear on the agenda for the next regular City Council meeting.

Discussion turned to the Housing Rehabilitation Program, specifically the ongoing rehabilitation of the Robin Tooley residence, which is located at 203 Pacific Street. The Council members reviewed proposed change order #1, which would increase the contract amount by \$2,750.00. Shepherd questioned the first item of the change order, which waived an egress window but resulted in no cost change. Shepherd felt that there should perhaps be a deduction in the contract price for waiving the egress window. No one at the meeting could address Shepherd's concerns.

Motion by Humann, seconded by True to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$2,750.00 for rehabilitation of 203 Pacific Street. Ayes: Zimmerman, True, Humann. Nays: Shepherd. Carried.

Motion by True, seconded by Humann to approve Pay Request #2 in the amount of \$3,360.00 in favor of Cardinal Construction for rehabilitation of 203 Pacific Street. Ayes: True, Humann, Zimmerman. Nays: Shepherd. Carried.

Following the two motions, Blum telephoned Justen Tooley; Tooley provided clarification of the change order. The window has been replaced with one that is not an egress window. Modifications were necessary; however, there was no additional charge for the change in the specifications.

Relative to discussion of residential sidewalk replacement, Shepherd reported that the sidewalk east of the Eldon Ranney residence is in extremely poor condition. The sidewalk is actually located in the alley, and Shepherd questioned whether it would be the City's responsibility to replace the sidewalk. The Ranney residence is located at 403 Pacific Street. Blum noted that the end of the alley is concrete and relatively steep. Jim felt that it would perhaps be easier to remove the sidewalk. In any event, he stated that he would take a look at the sidewalk.

True reported that there are several sidewalks in the Business District that have deteriorated and are in need of replacement. She questioned whether there is any grant money available for such a program. Abel was not aware of any grant money for sidewalks except through the Safe Route to School program, and the replacement of sidewalks could conceivably be covered through a grant for a downtown beautification program. Abel reminded the Council members that the City already has a program to pay for one-half of the cost of sidewalk replacement in the commercial business district. Blum commented that the sidewalk in front of the Post Office is in bad shape. True stated that a lady recently fell on the sidewalk in front of the Walnut Antique Mall; that sidewalk has also deteriorated. Both Blum and Abel stated that the City Council has the authority to enforce the sidewalk ordinance, forcing property owners to replace deteriorated sidewalk. The Council members are to make a list of sidewalks in the Business District that are in need of replacement. Blum commented that there are also several sidewalks in the residential area that are in need of replacement.

Abel again reminded the Council members that the City pays for one-half of the cost of sidewalk replacement in the commercial business district and \$5.00 per foot for sidewalk replacement in the residential area. Blum stated that he will measure sidewalk that was recently replaced at the Eugene Clayton residence so that Abel can issue Clayton a check according to the guidelines of the residential sidewalk program.

Discussion of the condition of sidewalks in the Business District is to appear on the agenda for the next regular City Council meeting.

There was no Fire Department discussion.

Motion by Shepherd, seconded by True to approve a Special Class C (BW) Liquor License for Tony's BBQ Bistro. Ayes: True, Zimmerman, Shepherd, Humann. Carried.

Relative to discussion of animal control issues, Abel reported that City Hall had received complaints about residents walking their dogs and allowing the dogs to defecate on another's property. Shannon Wood had prepared a postcard for mailing to all dog owners stating that it is unlawful for the owner of any animal to allow or permit such animal to pass upon the premises of another thereby causing damage to, or interference with, the premises. Abel questioned how the Council members wanted to proceed with handling the situation.

Shepherd stated that cats also urinate and defecate on private property, and she did not feel that the problem was exclusive to dogs. Abel pointed out that the City has a licensing requirement for dogs; the ownership of dogs can be traced, whereas there is

currently no licensing requirement for cats. Abel also commented that the real problem is actually an issue of respect for other people's property.

After a brief discussion, Abel was instructed to publish a notice in the Walnut Bureau using the postcard as a guideline. The wording is to be changed from dog owners to pet owners, and the statement that the ordinance will be enforced is to be removed from the notice.

Regarding discussion of City maintenance, Blum reported that the water tower was recently inspected and cleaned. The tower appeared to be in good condition; however, it was necessary to repair some rust spots on the inside of the tank using epoxy paint. The cost of the repair work amounted to \$750.00. Jim indicated that there is a DVD available of the inspection and the repairs that were made to the tower. The divers removed a very small amount of sediment from the tank. The current schedule to clean and inspect the water tower is every 3 years. After three years, the divers removed approximately ¼" of sediment from the bottom of the tower, which is an extremely small amount of sediment. Blum is hoping that the Department of Natural Resources will approve a revised schedule to inspect the tower via a robot every five years and actually have divers enter and clean the tower every ten years. The DNR allows 10 inches of sediment in a tank. Jim is planning to propose the schedule change to the proper authorities at the Department of Natural Resources.

Blum reported that an odor has developed in one of the lagoon cells. The cell is lacking the proper amount of oxygen. He is working with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and the Iowa Rural Water Association to rectify the problem. The City men have added sodium nitrate to the cell in an attempt to raise the oxygen level. Thus far, the lagoons have not failed any limits. No one is certain of the cause, which could be the introduction of chemicals into the sanitary sewer system, a meth lab, or even dumping the portable toilets into the sewer system following the recent Antique Walk. In any event, efforts are being made to correct the imbalance.

Jim reported that the City men are working to paint street lines, and they are planning to install new stop signs throughout the community. Humann commented that it looks nice where the men have painted the street lines.

Blum stated that the sidewalk on the corner of North Street and Antique City Drive was broken, probably by a truck. Jim said that he had discussed the matter with Evan McCarthy. McCarthy had stated that he would reinforce and repair the sidewalk.

There were no Mayor items or announcements.

Regarding Council items/announcements, Shepherd noted that the swing set has not been relocated from the park to the wetlands shelter and picnic tables are also missing from the shelter. Blum stated that the City men are planning to reinstall the swing set at the wetlands, and they will also move picnic tables back to the shelter. Someone actually borrowed the picnic tables and returned them to Fireman's Park rather than back to the wetlands shelter.

True presented the Council members with a list of properties that contain weeds and accumulated trash. The properties included 214 Antique City Drive, 212 Antique City Drive, 218 Antique City Drive, 409 Atlantic Street, and 710 Highland Street. True suggested that the City send a reminder letter to the owners of those properties asking their cooperation in controlling the weeds and removing the trash. The Council members agreed with True's suggestion, and Abel was instructed to send the reminder letters.

Humann questioned the accumulation of rubble behind property that is owned by Kelly Reed; the property is located at 309 Antique City Drive. Izetta Dierking reported that the rubble resulted from a garage that was removed from the adjacent property owned by Enola Pagliuso, which is located at 307 Antique City Drive. Dierking reported that Enola is making arrangements to have the rubble removed.

True made note that there was no sketch on the zoning permit that was submitted and approved for a fence and pool deck at the Dale and Linda Conrad residence, which is located at 206 Country Street. True questioned whether the fence was high enough for the pool area. Abel indicated that the City has no zoning regulations that govern the height of a fence surrounding a swimming pool. Blum felt that fencing regulations around swimming pools would probably be governed by insurance companies.

True stated that she has a concern about the time limit that residents have for exterior remodeling. Building permits shall expire 2 years after the date of issuance if work is begun within 180 days of issuance or after 180 days if no substantial beginning of construction has occurred. True specifically cited the Bob Sieck residence, which is located at 505 Walnut Street. Abel indicated that the City Council had addressed the

same issue in the past, and she thought that the outside work remaining on the dwelling does not require a building permit. The scaffolding and building materials could possibly constitute a nuisance, however. Abel indicated that she would review the minutes, and she would report her findings to True.

True requested that citizens clean up the debris that is left throughout the community from shooting fireworks over the Independence Day weekend.

Kathy Humann volunteered to complete the quarterly inspection of City property.

The Council members were provided with information concerning the Heartland Center for Leadership Development Webinar Series on Energizing Entrepreneurs.

Information was provided for the Iowa League of Cities Annual Conference, which will be held in Des Moines, Iowa on September 21-23, 2011. Abel indicated that she is planning to attend the conference.

Relative to public items or announcements, Carol Rosenbaum noted that there are picnic tables in Fireman's Park that are in need of repair.

Gloria Myers reported that the Eagle Monument Committee is planning to order the bronze donor plaques that will be incorporated into the plaza. The plaques will be installed by this coming fall. Eleven more engraved bricks will be ordered within the week; the bricks typically arrive within three weeks or less.

Gloria stated that she had received reports from individuals who have seen children climbing on the eagle and the girl bronze sculptures in the plaza. Myers hoped that any adult who witnesses such activity would remind the children that the plaza is a place of respect that should not be treated as a playground. Gloria made a plea to parents to educate their children about the role that veterans have played on behalf of our freedom. Blum suggested that perhaps the City should install a small bronze plaque instructing children not to climb or play on the memorial.

Myers stated that funds are still being donated for the Eagle Project. Iowa Network Services recently awarded a second grant to the project. The Eagle Committee is discussing the possible installation of additional educational bronze plaques in the plaza. It will be possible to reapply to Iowa Network Services for additional funding as the project evolves.

Myers reported that she had received many compliments about the appearance of the monument, and she thanked the members of the City Council for their support of the various community projects.

Carol Rosenbaum reported that the Splash Pad Committee is still determining the location of the engraved bricks that have been donated for the project. Evan McCarthy had suggested creating a half-circle of bricks on one corner of the splash pad. Another suggestion is to create a brick walkway from the splash pad to the Alec Mertz Playground. McCarthy is planning to submit a quote for both suggestions.

True felt that once a sidewalk has been installed in Fireman's Park complete with old-fashioned street light poles and benches, perhaps the two projects might be better separated, which would help to keep the children from playing in the Eagle Plaza. Abel indicated that there is discussion about purchasing several benches for the splash pad in varying primary colors which might also help to segregate the two projects. Blum again requested Council assistance in determining the location of the planned street lights.

On a final note, Myers reported that the Eagle Committee has been discussing the possibility of hosting a rededication of the memorial on September 11, 2011, which will be the tenth anniversary of the destruction of the twin towers. The event would focus on the donor plaques.

Linda Booth briefly discussed a possible community restoration or revitalization program. Such a program could conceivably include the replacement of sidewalk or the improvement of storefronts.

Motion by Shepherd, seconded by Humann to pay the following bills and issue warrants for the same. Ayes: Zimmerman, Shepherd, Humann, True. Carried.

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| #17554 Gress Locker, hamburgers for Splash Pad dedication  | 129.90   |
| #17555 Iowa Communities Assurance Pool, insurance          | 689.00   |
| #17556 Robert's Bakery, cake & buns, Splash Pad dedication | 100.00   |
| #17557 Terri Abel, wages                                   | 1,124.19 |
| #17558 James Blum, wages                                   | 1,096.15 |
| #17559 Wayne Rush, wages                                   | 870.49   |
| #17560 Shannon Wood, wages                                 | 424.65   |
| #17561 Cardmember Service, bricks, Splash Pad dedication   | 185.09   |
| #17562 Mid-Iowa Environmental, housing rehabilitation      | 5,975.00 |

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| #17563 | Herb Wood, hauling; rent of dumpsters; recycling fees         | 3,010.00 |
| #17564 | Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, employee insurance           | 6,710.63 |
| #17565 | Terri Abel, wages   | 1,124.19 |
| #17566 | James Blum, wages   | 1,096.15 |
| #17567 | Wayne Rush, wages   | 870.49   |
| #17568 | Shannon Wood, wages   | 376.30   |
| #17569 | U.S. Postmaster, billing postage                              | 109.20   |
| #17570 | U.S. Postmaster, postage                                      | 150.92   |
| #17571 | Terri Abel, wages   | 1,113.68 |
| #17572 | James Blum, wages   | 1,086.19 |
| #17573 | Sherry Jacobsen, wages  | 32.03    |
| #17574 | Margo Matthies, wages   | 1,042.64 |
| #17575 | Wayne Rush, wages   | 862.49   |
| #17576 | Judy Schrecengost, wages                                      | 78.29    |
| #17577 | Michelle Tooley, wages  | 309.07   |
| #17578 | Shannon Wood, wages   | 343.82   |
| #17579 | Terri Abel, wages   | 458.68   |
| #17580 | James Blum, wages   | 913.03   |
| #17581 | Wayne Rush, wages   | 284.89   |
| #17582 | Atlantic News Telegraph, publication                          | 17.91    |
| #17583 | Avoca Auto Parts, o-rings                                     | 1.29     |
| #17584 | Barco Municipal Products, barricade frames                    | 99.19    |
| #17585 | Betsy Ross of Lincoln Avenue, flags                           | 500.00   |
| #17586 | Walnut Boy Scouts, June park mowing                           | 125.00   |
| #17587 | Brodart Co., book supplies                                    | 2.98     |
| #17588 | Cappel's, rope; flag pole clamps; sprinklers; plant food      | 200.27   |
| #17589 | Cardinal Construction, Pay Request #3, housing rehabilitation | 3,360.00 |
| #17590 | Carley Drug Co., ship water sample                            | 31.34    |
| #17591 | Center Point Large Print, books                               | 41.34    |
| #17592 | City of Atlantic, sewer testing                               | 300.00   |
| #17593 | City of Walnut, water deposits to accounts                    | 150.00   |
| #17594 | Counsel Office & Document, copier maintenance; toner          | 117.86   |
| #17595 | Countryside Trucking, trucking rock                           | 683.05   |
| #17596 | Des Moines Stamp Co., stamp; pad                              | 44.70    |
| #17597 | Dona Grooms, Treasurer fee                                    | 100.00   |
| #17598 | Farm Service Cooperative, computer monitors; labor            | 494.25   |
| #17599 | Geotek Engineering & Testing, monthly & quarterly monitoring  | 3,184.42 |
| #17600 | Green Acres, sod  | 792.00   |
| #17601 | Greve Petroleum Service, fuel                                 | 353.00   |
| #17602 | Hach Company, water testing supplies                          | 916.91   |
| #17603 | Hawkins, Inc., water chemicals                                | 821.55   |
| #17604 | Holtz Service, mower tire repair                              | 32.00    |
| #17605 | Ingram Library Services, books                                | 81.62    |
| #17606 | Iowa Department of Natural Resources, water supply fee        | 92.25    |
| #17607 | Iowa League of Cities, 2011-12 membership dues                | 498.00   |
| #17608 | Iowa One Call, One Call locates                               | 10.80    |
| #17609 | Iowa Prison Industries, trash bags                            | 350.52   |
| #17610 | IPERS, withholdings   | 1,311.38 |
| #17611 | Jennie Edmundson Hospital Pharmacy, ambulance supplies        | 172.00   |
| #17612 | Jessica Newcomb, cleaning City Hall                           | 50.00    |
| #17613 | Jim Tooley, building permit fees                              | 20.00    |
| #17614 | Kasperbauer Cleaners, Inc., cleaning floor mats               | 47.03    |
| #17615 | Kathy Humann, rose food                                       | 10.67    |
| #17616 | Kum & Go, fuel  | 898.06   |
| #17617 | Kum & Go, refund for surrender of beer permit                 | 100.00   |
| #17618 | Larry Shepherd, mileage                                       | 63.24    |
| #17619 | Liquid Engineering, water tower inspection; epoxy repair      | 3,503.50 |
| #17620 | Margo Matthies, supplies; books                               | 102.69   |
| #17621 | McCarthy Landscape & Design, Partial Payment; stormsewer work | 2,675.75 |
| #17622 | Medivac-Atlantic, ambulance mutual aid                        | 300.00   |
| #17623 | Medivac-Harlan, ambulance mutual aid                          | 300.00   |
| #17624 | MidAmerican Energy, gas & electricity                         | 4,105.24 |



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| #17625 | Midwest Coatings Company, rout & seal cracks                            | 12,200.00 |
| #17626 | Municipal Supply, Inc., water plant air valve repair                    | 164.69    |
| #17627 | Mutual Benefit Plus, employee insurance                                 | 111.45    |
| #17628 | My Nest Greenhouse, plants  | 839.81    |
| #17629 | Pott. County Animal Control, Jan.-July, 2011 animal control services    | 1,315.50  |
| #17630 | Pott. County Sheriff's Office, July, Aug., Sep., 2011 police protection | 3,836.88  |
| #17631 | Pott. County Treasurer, landfill  | 1,712.50  |
| #17632 | Quill Corporation, supplies   | 199.65    |
| #17633 | Rasmussen Auto Parts, Inc., grinder brush                               | 5.95      |
| #17634 | Salvo, Deren, Schenck & Lauterbach, consults                            | 80.00     |
| #17635 | Sam's Club, supplies; DVD's; magazines; books                           | 268.46    |
| #17636 | Schildberg Construction Co., stone                                      | 1,033.14  |
| #17637 | Shannon Griffith, sidewalk replacement                                  | 480.00    |
| #17638 | Snyder & Associates, Inc., engineering fees                             | 5,157.66  |
| #17639 | Steve's Repair, mower repair  | 108.60    |
| #17640 | Treasurer of State, 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter sales tax                   | 2,549.91  |
| #17641 | Treasurer, State of Iowa, State withholdings                            | 1,360.55  |
| #17642 | U.S. Postmaster, postage  | 88.00     |
| #17643 | Verizon Wireless, cell phones   | 130.14    |
| #17644 | Vernon Manufacturing, repair of water salesman                          | 150.00    |
| #17645 | Walnut Bureau, publication  | 412.83    |
| #17646 | Walnut Telephone Co., phone; fax; Internet                              | 233.12    |
| #17647 | Welcome Center, contribution FY 11-12                                   | 10,700.00 |
| #93E   | Iowa Finance Authority, principal & interest due GO note                | 59,780.00 |
| #94E   | Iowa Finance Authority, principal & interest due water rev note         | 15,372.08 |
| #95E   | Rolling Hills Bank & Trust, ACH fee                                     | 10.00     |
| #96E   | Employee Benefit Systems, employee insurance administration fee         | 77.49     |
| #97E   | EMS Billing Services, Inc., ambulance billing                           | 252.66    |

Summary of Receipts: General, 21,849.63; Mun. Ent., 8,000.00; Road Use Tax, 2,546.53; Trust & Agency, 1,147.98; Water, 12,025.07; Sewer, 3,674.20; Splash Pad Project Fund, 29,501.51; Eagle Monument Project Fund, 1,510.00; Water Revenue Bond Sinking Fund, 1,650.00; Local Option Capital Improvements Fund, 7,582.37; TIF Fund, 902.11; Customer Water Deposit, 51.41; IPAIT Fire Account, 6.90; IPAIT Library Account, 3.12; TOTAL: 90,450.83.

Meeting adjourned, 7:00 p.m.

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Tony Zimmerman  
Mayor Pro-Tem

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Terri L. Abel  
City Clerk