

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 2016
5:30 P.M. CIVIC CENTER/CITY HALL**

OFFICER PRESENT: WILSON

COUNCIL PRESENT: HUSTON, PRIOR, KAALBERG, PAYNE, WINK

Meeting called to order by Mayor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes, claims and liquor license renewal requests for Simply Soothing and Las Palmas, motion by Kaalberg to approve consent agenda, second by Prior. Huston –yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

CITIZEN'S CONCERN – None

IOWA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR AN OWNER OCCUPIED REHABILITATION PROGRAM-DAN EBERHARDT SEIRPC-Purpose of this program is for Columbus Junction to apply for CDBG Funds to enable a minimum of 6 owner-occupied homes in a targeted neighborhood within the City for rehabilitation. Each home would be eligible for up to \$24, 999.00, the City would assist in administration fees at a rate of \$2,500.00 per home.

Homeowner must have occupied the residence for at least six months, must live in the proposed targeted neighborhood and not exceed 80% of area median income. Must have home insured, property taxes paid and be in compliance of all city ordinances, and must be willing to have a 5-year forgivable lien on their property.

SEIRPC will write the grant, deadline is January 13, 2017, and City will be required to hold a public hearing on the proposal before grant can be submitted.

Motion to take part in the program and to tentatively set the public hearing for the December 14th meeting by Huston, second by Kaalberg. Huston –yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

APPROVE URBAN RENEWAL REPORT FY-16- Report prepared by Ivan Arthur, City received \$70,781.00 in TIF money for FY-16, with \$47,254.00 paid to Colonial Heights for the TIF Rebate program and \$8,870.00 to the general fund to retire the internal fund loan for New Heritage Street and Street Light debt.

Motion to approve Urban Renewal Report FY-16 as presented by Prior, second by Huston. Huston –yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

RESOLUTION #112316 STREET LIGHTING RESOLUTION- Recommendation from Police Chief Orr to place a new street light at/or near 716 Locust Street.

Motion by Huston to approve resolution #112316 Street Lighting, second by Kaalberg. Huston –yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utilities- None

Streets & Sidewalks-Next week several areas in need of street repairs will be done.

Public Safety- None

Finance- None

Community Development Center- Mayor Wilson reported on the visit last Sunday from representatives from the Kauffman Foundation, touring the Midwest recognizing growth at the local level. Group met with Simply Soothing, along with Mayor Wilson and Mallory Smith, Community Development Director. Mayor Wilson also informed the council that the Iowan Magazine had been in Columbus Junction taking pictures; article will be in the January 2017 issue.

Library Report- None

MAYOR’S REPORT- None

Meeting adjourned by Mayor.

Mayor

Attest: City Clerk