

**PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH, 2017, 5:30 P.M.
CIVIC CENTER / CITY HALL**

OFFICER PRESENT: WILSON

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

PUBLIC HEARING-ANTIDEGRADATION ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

Columbus Junction has completed a draft antidegradation alternatives analysis for discharge of treated wastewater to wetland to the Iowa River.

No one in attendance and no written comments received by City Clerk.

Public hearing closed by Mayor.

PUBLIC HEARING-FY17 BUDGET AMENDMENT-There being no comments or objections from the audience and none received by the City Clerk, the FY17 Budget Amendment will be sent to the Louisa County Auditor as published.

Public hearing closed by Mayor.

REGULAR MEETING

Previous minutes, claims and liquor license renewal request from Economart.

Motion to approve consent agenda by Prior, second by Wink. Huston-yes, Prior-yes, Kaalberg-yes, Payne-yes, Wink-yes. Approved.

CITIZEN'S CONCERN – None

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN- Utility committee along with Jeff Carey, Public Works met earlier today with Matt Walker, Engineer with French Reneker. Walker has submitted the plan for approval.

1st READING-ANIMAL PROTECTION AND CONTROL AMENDMENT, CHAPTER 55 SEC. 15, LIVESTOCK-Mallory Smith, Community Development Director formed a committee to develop the amendment to allow chickens in the limits of the City of Columbus Junction.

Proposed amendment will allow chickens in City limits for a period of two (2) years and may only be kept on an owner occupied single family dwelling in area zoned R1 or R2. Only kept on a lot at least 4,000 square feet in size, chickens must be kept confined in a properly designed and constructed coop or chicken house in the rear yard of the property, located fifteen (15) feet from any lot line. Permit will be required with a fee of \$1.00 and expires after one (1) year. No person shall keep or allow to be kept more

than six (6) chickens on a lot less than 10,000 square feet or no more than twelve (12) chickens on a lot 10,000 feet or larger. No Roosters will be allowed.

Motion by Huston to approve 1st reading of amendment, second by Wink. Huston-yes, Prior-yes, Kaalberg-yes, Payne-yes, Wink-yes. Approved.

2ND Reading will be on June 14th agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utilities-Phil, Mark and Jeff toured the New London and Donnellson sewer systems last week.

Streets & Sidewalks – None

Public Safety – None

Finance – None

Community Development Center-Mallory had the interns for this summer introduce themselves. Wyatt Carson a third year intern will be working on various projects, including the new Chicken ordinance, dog licensing and Farmer's Market to mention a few and Will Mackaman a grad student from Iowa who will be working with the businesses and their profiles, also the downtown buildings and their histories.

Mallory then updated the council on a building on Walnut Street which was recently turned over to the City, all liens have been forgiven. Process of offering the building for sale will be starting.

A print out of activities for this summer was handed out.

LULAC has had a great turn out for Citizenship classes here at City Hall; over 40 have been attending the classes. Volunteers are needed for this Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. to help with mock interviews for the students, anyone interested can contact Mallory.

Library Report- None

MAYOR'S REPORT- None

Meeting adjourned by Mayor.

Mayor

Attest: City Clerk