

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14TH, 2017
5:30 P.M. CIVIC CENTER/CITY HALL**

OFFICER PRESENT: HUSTON, MAYOR PRO-TEM

COUNCIL PRESENT: PRIOR, KAALBERG, PAYNE, WINK

OFFICER ABSENT: WILSON

Meeting called to order by Mayor Pro-tem.

CONSENT AGENDA

Previous minutes, claims and Fireworks Permit request from Orlando Garza. Motion by Kaalberg to approved the consent agenda, second by Wink. Huston-Yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

CITIZEN'S CONCERN- None

2nd READING-ANIMAL PROTECTION AND CONTROL AMENDMENT CHAPTER 55 SEC. 15 LIVESTOCK

–Prior commended the committee for their work on the new ordinance, but stated he has some concerns with the enforcement of the Ordinance. Prior also state that he had discussed the changes with about 25 residents and a majority of them are against the amendment. Mallory Smith, Community Development Director informed the council that she plans to conduct annual inspections of the sites during the summer months using her interns. Plans are to have the interns take photos and create a map of registered chicken owners. Wink, council rep. on the committee reminded the council that the ordinance is to be re-visited in two years so any changes or even change back to no chickens in city limits will be visited then.

Wyatt Carson, CDC intern, reported that he had reached out to several other communities that allow chickens and none of them seemed to have any serious issues with allowing chickens in the city limits.

Motion by Prior to approve the 2nd reading of the livestock ordinance amendment, second by Karlberg. Huston-Yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

Final reading on June 24th agenda.

RESOLUTION #061417-SET PUBLIC HEARING-INTENT TO DISPOSE OF CITY PROPERTY- Building located at 117 Walnut Street acquired from the County by the City. Public Hearing will set the parameters for selling the building.

Motion to set Public Hearing for June 28th, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. by Kaalberg, second by Prior. Huston-Yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

1st READING-FIREWORKS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-Chief Orr informed the council that due to the changes made by the former Governor that allows the sale and use of consumer fireworks in this State, changes to our very vague Fireworks Ordinance were needed.

Motion to approve the 1st reading and waive the 2nd & 3rd readings by Prior, second by Kaalberg. Huston-Yes, Prior –yes, Kaalberg –yes, Payne –yes, Wink –yes. Approved.

Ordinance will go into effect after publication.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utilities-Kaalberg reported on a meeting held this afternoon with Martin Gross, Matt Walker, City Engineer and other City personnel to discuss a new process in the Wastewater treatment facility to meet a new set of standards in place by DNR.

Streets & Sidewalks – Dirt moving and tree removal have started in the New Heritage area.

Public Safety-None

Finance –None

Community Development Center-Mallory Smith met this weekend with a reporter doing a freelance story on Columbus Junction about coming to different places and staying there. Tomorrow representatives from the Iowa Economic Development office will be here to see how Columbus Junction has recovered from the flood of 2008.

Library – None

MAYOR'S REPORT-None

Meeting adjourned by Mayor Pro-tem Huston.

Mayor Pro-tem

Attest: City Clerk