

CITY OF HAWARDEN
APPROVED MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM
Wednesday, July 25, 2007 at 5:30 p.m.

The Council Meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m.

Present: Mayor Porter; Council Members: Jacobs, Cauwels, Anderson, Hedden, Borchers.
Absent: None.

Staff Present: Jason Metten, City Administrator/City Clerk; Sharole Rens, Finance Director; Mike DeBruin, Police Chief; Tom Kane, Public Works Director.

Staff Absent: Spencer Haacke, Economic Development Director; Jim Pickner, City Attorney

Standard Agenda Items

1a. Approval of July 11, 2007 Regular Council Meeting Minutes. Moved by Cauwels/Anderson to approve the minutes of July 11, 2007 Regular Council Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

1b. Approval of Claims for Payment. Moved by Cauwels/Jacobs to approve the Schedule of Claims for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

1c. Open business from the Community (limited to a maximum of 5 minutes per item). None

2a. Mayor's Report. Mayor Porter congratulated the West Sioux Baseball Team on their trip to the State Tournament and their great season. He also commended all students who participate in sports, music, plays and other activities giving the community much enjoyment. He thanked everyone who has taken part in the summer activities offered by the city. He and Council Member Cauwels had the opportunity to join the staff for the annual Employee Appreciation Barbecue and thanked the staff for their dedication to their jobs and to the city. He reported that the Hawarden Area Arts Council hosted the Hawarden community Band with a concert at the pavilion and thanked the Art council for their promotion of the arts and activities in Hawarden. He also noted that Council and Staff should be thinking about attending the Iowa League of Cities Annual Conference to be held in Dubuque September 26th to September 28th.

2b. Council Comments. Council Member Borchers commented on a citizen's concern about walking dogs in the cemetery. While this allowed, the Council asked they respect the graves and the cemetery property. Council Member Anderson commented on a complaint received about cats running loose. The Council reminded citizens to keep all pets on their own property. The Police Chief noted that they have cat traps available for anyone who would like to use them.

2c. Staff Reports/Discussion: Public Works Director Kane reported on the progress on the Hill Addition Street Project. Finance Director Rens distributed copies of the 2007-2008 Budget to the Council and Staff. City Administration Metten reported on the progress of the investor group, and also noted that this election year for the Mayor, 2 Council Members, and 3 Hospital Trustees. The necessary papers for file for these positions are available at the City Offices. He also read a proclamation from the State Fire Marshall at the direction of the Sioux County Board of Supervisors which bans Open Burning in Sioux County effective July 24, 2007 until further notice.

Other Agenda Items

3. Resolution 2007-51 – Resolution Directing the Department of Public Works to erect a Stop Sign. Moved by Borchers/Anderson to approve Resolution 2007-51. Aye: Anderson, Cauwels, Hedden,

Borchers, Jacobs. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Council directed the Public Works Director to have a sign erected at 11th and Avenue L.

4. Resolution 2007-52 – Resolution Setting date for a Public Hearing on Designation of the Hawarden Urban Renewal Area – Industrial TIF D and on urban renewal plan and project. City Administrator explains the planned Industrial TIF D. Moved by Cauwels/Anderson to approve Resolution 2007-52. Aye: Jacobs, Hedden, Anderson, Borchers, Cauwels. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Resolution 2007-53 – Resolution Declaring a Water Watch. Public Works Director Kane gave a report on well levels and water consumption and asked that the Water Watch be approved. Moved by Jacobs/Hedden to approve Resolution 2007-53. Aye: Hedden, Borchers, Cauwels, Jacobs, Anderson. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. The Water Watch declaration was read and the Council asked citizens to honor this Water Watch.

6. Request for Liquor License transfer from Brian Engleman dba Sportsmans to transfer license on August 3, 2007 to Community Center, 1150 Central Avenue, Hawarden, IA. Moved by Borchers/Cauwels to approve the Liquor License Transfer. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jacobs/Cauwels to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Council Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Ricard R. Porter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jason R. Metten, City Administrator/City Clerk