

The Sheldon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 12:00 p.m. Mayor Katricia Rider called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Brad Hindt, Duane Seehusen, Ron Rensink, and Dave Popkes. Absent: Mark Postma. Also present: Todd Uhl, Micah Schreurs, Scott Wynja, and Arlene Budden.

Public comments-Councilman Rensink presented a plaque to Jack DeHoogh, for his 28 years of service to the City of Sheldon as the City Attorney. Mr. DeHoogh is scaling down his workload, while still carrying on in the capacity of attorney at the Wolff, Whorley, DeHoogh & Schreurs Legal Firm.

Marvin Van Riesen had comments on the City's proposed building codes. He stated the area contractors have not been informed. He is concerned about the added cost that will burden the residents of Sheldon, in order to pay for this outside company that has been hired to carry out the process. He added, if safety is part of the building codes, then the City should take care of the Pucci's building, just as they did the two houses on 9th Street and the one on Highway 18. City Manager Wynja explained that the process is still in the developing stages. At a later date, the contractors and the public will be invited to a meeting, where the process will be explained and they will have a chance to make their comments.

A motion was made by Rensink and seconded by Hindt to approve the consent agenda with the following items:

- a. City Council Minutes of January 20, 2010.
- b. Summary List of Claims, and additional claims as presented.
- c. Renewal of Liquor License for J&B Bar.
- d. Ag Deferments of Tony and Marlene Pape, LTJ Investments (Schemper property), Ron Neth, and Van Meeteren Farms, Inc.

Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Tom Hinrichsen, Winther & Stave Co., presented the Audit for 6/30/09. A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Rensink to accept the 2008/2009 City of Sheldon Audit. Ayes, all. Motion carried. This is the first year the City has had the audit prepared on the cash basis; it had been audited on a modified accrual basis in the past. The cash basis has made it much easier to understand, and more cost effective.

Public Works Director Todd Uhl presented the Council with the two quotes the City received for the Runger's Addition Paving Project: TR Harris \$39,185.35, and Vander Pol Excavating \$27,331.60. A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Hindt to approve Resolution R10-3946, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE QUOTE AND AWARDED THE CONTRACT TO VANDER POL EXCAVATING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,331.60, FOR THE 2009/2010 RUNGER'S ADDITION PAVING PROJECT, SHELDON, IOWA. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Seehusen, Hindt, Popkes, and Rensink. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Popkes to enter into executive session at 12:24 p.m., pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j) to discuss the purchase of

particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Council came out of executive session at 12:38 p.m. There was no action taken on the purchase of property.

Press comments-none.

Council comments-none.

Staff comments-Mayor Rider recommended that the area contractors should be invited to the next scheduled building code meeting, in order to inform them on the process up to this point. She feels this would ease some concerns that have been relayed to her and other councilmen. She also stated she would like to be more informed about the situation with the Pucci's Building, and possibly revisit this issue.

City Manager Wynja stated that it would be better to invite the contractors to a meeting on the building codes after the preliminary stages have been completed. At that time, the contractors and the public will have a chance to make their comments. He also reminded the Council of the first Budget Workshop set for Friday, February 5, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Rensink to adjourn the meeting at 12:41 p.m. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Arlene Budden, City Clerk/Treasurer/Finance Officer