

The Sheldon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Katricia Rider called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Brad Hindt, Duane Seehusen, Ron Rensink, Mark Postma, and Dave Popkes. Also present: Todd Uhl, Lyle Bolkema, Micah Schreurs, Scott Wynja, and Angela Beckman.

Public comments: None.

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

- a. City Council Minutes of April 7, 2010, and the minutes of the Boards & Commissions.
- b. Summary List of claims with additional claim as presented, and the claims of the Boards & Commissions.
- c. Financial reports of March, 2010
- d. Liquor license for Obediah's.
- e. Bethel Reformed Church's open concert from 7:00 p.m. until midnight.
- f. Appointing Randy Merley to the Park & Recreation Board.

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

Mayor Rider opened the Public Hearing at 4:40 p.m. on the Vacating of Street. There were no oral comments. Mayor Rider and City Manager Wynja read 12 letters that had been received. One letter in support was received from Dustin & Jonna Schnurr of 711 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Eleven letters were received in opposition of closing the street. They are as follows: Duane & Georgia Wahlstrom of 409 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Barbara Popkes of 705 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Lori Brown of 702 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Dennis & Sarah Schiermeyer of 521 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Lane & Blanca Struyk of 707 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Greg & Janet Andringa of 1011 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Leann Swalley of 1024 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Jim & Betty Van Der Sloot of 711 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Ray & Shirley Rohlfs of 701 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Mary Wallinga of 1026 7<sup>th</sup> Street, and Dennis Baack of 711 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Ryan Cannoy of Bethel Church stated that he was happy it went to a public hearing, and he was able to hear these opinions. A motion was made by Postma and seconded by Seehusen to close the public hearing at 4:54 p.m. Ayes, all. Motion carried. Postma and Rensink both said they received several calls in opposition. They have never had this many calls on any other issue. A motion was made by Postma and seconded by Hindt to support the Planning & Zoning Commissions recommendation to deny closing 7<sup>th</sup> Street between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Rensink, Hindt, Seehusen, Postma. Abstain: Popkes. Motion carried.

Wynja explained we are ready to start the 2010 Sidewalk Improvement Project. This would start the plans and specifications, getting cost estimates, put the project out to bid, which will start accruing costs for all four property owners. Property owner #3 previously asked for an extension and would put in his sidewalk in June or July of 2010, however he was told to submit this in writing and has not done so at this point. Property owner #1 previously stated he has hired an engineer to plat his property. He feels his property is located on 3 adjoining lots, which by our sidewalk standards would not

require him to put in a sidewalk. However, this property owner has not submitted anything to the Council at this point. A motion was made by Rensink and seconded by Hindt to approve RESOLUTION R10-3951 A RESOLUTION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 2010 SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE CITY OF SHELDON, IOWA. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Rensink, Seehusen, Postma, Popkes, Hindt. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Postma to approve RESOLUTION R10-3952 A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATIONS' SMALL TOWN REPLACEMENT AND APPLY TO RECEIVE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNING MATERIALS FROM THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Seehusen, Postma, Hindt, Rensink, Popkes. Motion carried. This is a grant for \$5,000 worth of signage material.

A motion was made by Rensink and seconded by Seehusen to approve Resolution R10-3953 A Resolution approving the sale of Lot 9 Block 2 in Sunshine Addition to Brian Busch in the amount of \$20,160 minus the \$7,500 rebate for a total of \$12,660. Ayes all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Seehusen to approve the Pay Estimate #3 for the Sheldon Regional Airport Conventional Hangar Project in the amount of \$142,215. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Rensink to approve the open pool hours at the Holiday Inn Express. Ayes all. Motion carried. This change is due to lifeguard requirements.

A motion was made by Popkes and seconded by Hindt to approve the engineering contract with DeWild Grant Reckert and Associates Company for the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Lift Station Replacement. Ayes all. Motion carried. The City budgeted \$300,000, and the project estimate, with engineering fees is \$225,000.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Postma to approve the wage of \$14.05 for the new wastewater operator, Heith Hofmeyer. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Hindt to set the date and time for a Public Hearing to amend the City of Sheldon 2009-2010 Budget for Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at 4:40 p.m. Ayes all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Hindt to approve the proposal from Poppema-Sikma Construction to share the cost of the paving project adjacent to the new bakery. The estimate for the project is \$26,000 to be split evenly between the City and Poppema-Sikma Construction. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Press comments-none.

Council comments-Councilman Rensink encourages citizens to attend the planning session for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan on Wednesday, April 28, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

Councilman Hindt expressed sympathy to the Jerry Vander Pol family.

Staff comments-Reminded the citizens that the sidewalk repairs need to be completed by October 31, 2010. The nuisance tour will be coming up soon.

The National Guard 2168<sup>th</sup> will be doing walking lanes training on May 16, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. They will be using the Recreation Trails. They may have guns, but they will not be loaded.

Mayor Rider thanked Mark Gaul for accepting the Certificate of Recognition from the American Red Cross on behalf of the City of Sheldon.

A motion was made by Seehusen and seconded by Rensink to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 p.m. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

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Angela Beckman, Deputy Clerk