

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 25, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Nolan called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge to the flag. Clerk Wells called roll. Aldermen present: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Musgrove, Clarke, Logan, Perkins and Opper. Treasurer Szczap was absent. Also present were City Administrator Nelson, Community Development Director Santeler, Chief Kazy-Garey, Supt. Parks & Rec Burkart, Supt. Utilities Grant, Attorney Carlos Arévalo and members of the audience.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Neil Bottenfield, 711 Klamath St., addressed the City Council with respect to the petition he turned in for a driveway variation which was supposed to be included on the agenda. After discussion, Mayor Nolan set up an Ad Hoc Committee to meet on Friday, September 28th, 2012, at 8 a.m. at City Hall, to review the petition. Committee members are Mayor Nolan, Alderman Clarke, City Administrator Nelson and Community Development Director Santeler.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF 08/28/2012 - APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Marzahl to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 28, 2012, as presented. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Musgrove, Logan, Clarke, Perkins and Opper. All ayes. Motion carried.

DON LARSON, LION'S CLUB RE HOURS FOR SOLICITATION OF FUNDS BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS – NO ACTION

Don Larson, Harvard Lion's Club addressed the City Council with respect to the time frame for solicitation of funds by charitable organizations and suggested changing the ordinance to allow solicitation from sunup to sundown so they can catch people going to work. Don said he received a phone call from Bob Iftner that the American Legion would also like to solicit earlier in the morning. Aldermen Logan expressed concern if solicitation was allowed from sunup to sundown, the actual time frame would change every day and would be difficult for groups to know when to start/stop. Alderman Opper noted the safety of those soliciting in the early morning hours when people were generally in a hurry was considered when establishing the hours in the ordinance as well as a desire to keep traffic moving when people are on their way to work.

PROCLAMATION CONSTITUTION WEEK SEPT. 17th - 23rd, 2012 - APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Marzahl to approve a Proclamation Designating September 17th – 23rd, 2012 as Constitution Week. Alderman voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Musgrove, Clarke, Logan, Perkins and Opper. All ayes. Motion carried.

SALVATION ARMY SITE AGREEMENT - APPROVED

Administrator Nelson commented that he e-mailed the Salvation Army to see if they were planning to do Meals on Wheels or meals for seniors at the center, but hasn't received a response. Currently, Dave thought they might be doing Meals on Wheels. The Agreement is the same as we've had in the past. Moved by Opper, seconded by Marzahl to authorize the execution of the Salvation Army Golden Diners Site Agreement for the year October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013. Roll call vote: Leyden, aye; Marzahl, aye; Ulmer, aye; Musgrove, aye; Clarke, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye and Opper, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

INFO: LIFE CHAIN, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7th, 2012

Info: The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the National Life Chain to be held locally on Sunday, October 7th, 2012, from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. on the sidewalk at the intersection of Route 14/Diggins St/Ayer St.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Perkins reviewed the Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2012.

Mike Vest/Harvard Co-Ed Softball League Proposal - Tabled

The Committee reviewed and recommends approval of Mike Vest's proposal for a Co-Ed Softball League on Thursday evenings using the Harvard Boys League Field beginning in 2013.

Moved by Perkins to approve the Co-Ed Softball League. Alderman Clarke noted that the proposal was supposed to be tabled until next spring to finalize details including a variation for alcohol. Alderman Clarke also reported that he spoke with a couple of members of the Boys League who had some reservations about the league which will need to be worked out. No action taken at this time; will be on the City Council agenda next spring, in March or April.

Harvard Milk Days Request – Tabled

The Committee reviewed and recommended approval of Milk Days preliminary drawing to put in a closed loop system utilizing a high grade plastic as opposed to copper with self-draining yard hydrants and recommends approval of the preliminary plan as discussed.

Chairman Perkins made a motion to approve the Committee's recommendation to approve the preliminary plan with the Mayor and Community Development Director Santeler to approve location and materials. Community Development Director Santeler noted his concern with the static head pressure with a proposed 2" line. Alderman Logan indicated that the map in the packets is different than what was presented to the Committee and only shows three hydrants. Supt. Burkart replied that the drawing presented at the Committee was just his sketched drawing with a more formal drawing to be done for the City Council; what Milk Day would put in would be dependent on cost related to the size of the line and building materials. City Administrator recommended approving a master plan that everyone agrees on which can be phased in depending on the cost of improvements. The consensus was to table pending a master plan.

Jr. Tackle Proposal – Approved

The Committee reviewed Jr. Tackle's proposal for a three phase building at Milky Way Park: bathrooms, shed and concession stand which would be located directly east of the little shed they are currently using, with a waiver of fees. The goal for the first year would be to put up the shell (neutral colors), followed by the bathrooms and eventually the concession stand. They would like to start the project this fall or next spring depending on donations. The shed would be utilized by Jr. Tackle but the washrooms would be for public use. The Committee recommends to the City Council approval of the Jr. Tackle's proposal to erect a building at Milky Way Park at the general location as discussed, with a waiver of fees and working with the Community Development Department to make sure all code specifications are met.

Moved by Perkins, seconded by Opper to approve the Parks & Recreation Committee's recommendation to allow the Jr. Tackle's to erect a building at Milky Way Park, with a waiver of fees, and working with the Community Development Department to make sure all code specifications are met. Roll call vote: Marzahl, aye; Ulmer, aye; Musgrove, aye; Clarke, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Opper, aye and Leyden, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

Fee Schedule

The Committee reviewed the fee schedule with no action taken at this time.

Milky Way Park Landscaping

The Committee discussed seeding the new portion of Milky Way Park and Supt. Burkart confirmed that the seeding has been completed.

Chairman Perkins thanked Gerdes Wholesale Nursery for their donation of over 200 shrubs, trees and roses again this year.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Harvard Harmony Raffle Request 2012/2013 during Music Events
- Events Committee Raffle Request 10/27/12
- Harvard Booster Club Raffle Request 8/12/2012 – 08/11/2013

Moved by Logan, seconded by Perkins to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Musgrove, Logan, Clarke, Perkins and Opper. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ALD. LOGAN - BILLS APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Opper to approve the bills list in the amount of \$209,168.64. Roll call vote: Ulmer, aye; Musgrove, aye; Clarke, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Opper, aye; Leyden, aye and Marzahl, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

ALD. LOGAN

Chairman Logan reminded the City Council that October 27th is the Fall Family Festival on Ayer Street and December 1st, 2012, is Christmas in Harvard.

ALD. CLARKE

Alderman Clarke reported on a fundraiser to be held at McDonalds on Tuesday, October 16th from 4-7:30; a portion of proceeds will be donated to Friends of Harvard Diggins Library.

ALD. MUSGROVE

Alderman Musgrove thanked Supt. Grant and Supt. Burkart for their assistance with the circus.

ALD. MARZAHL

Alderman Marzahl reported there will be a Chamber mixer for Harvard Community Radio on Tuesday, October 2nd at their new site at Starline.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Nolan reported that there is someone interested in purchasing the Verizon Lease. A combined Public Property and Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting was called for Tuesday, October 9th, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. Administrator Nelson asked Attorney Carlos Arévalo if either he or someone from his office could attend.

The Mayor, City Administrator and Supt. Kruckenberg are working on next years road program and anticipate resurfacing up to 15 blocks.

Mayor Nolan noted that the City did receive the Governor's Hometown Award; the State will issue a press release in November.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Nelson noted the correspondence in the aldermen's folders pertaining to a variation before the McHenry County ZBA on October 18th, 2012, in the petition of Scott Chisamore for a setback variation to allow the house and deck to remain as situated. Subject property is located at 23818 Flat Iron Road, Harvard and is within the City's 1½ mile jurisdiction. There were no objections.

CLERK'S REPORT – UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Sept. 28	Ad Hoc Driveway Committee Meeting, 8 am
October 2	Planning & Zoning Commission - POST TO CANCEL
October 9	Special Events Committee Meeting, 5 pm
	Joint Public Property/Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
	Regular City Council Meeting - POST TO CANCEL
October 16	Regular Events Committee Meeting 5 p.m.
October 23	Regular City Council Meeting 7 p.m.

City Clerk Wells stated that today is the first day to pick up packets for the April Consolidated Election. The last day to file petitions is Christmas Eve. Since City Hall is closed, arrangements have been made with the City Attorney and Chief, to have petitions submitted to the police department on Christmas Eve.

NO REPORT

Attorney Carlos Arévalo and Aldermen Opper, Perkins, Ulmer and Leyden had no specific report.

ENGINEERING & DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTS

Dept. Heads: Reports as submitted.

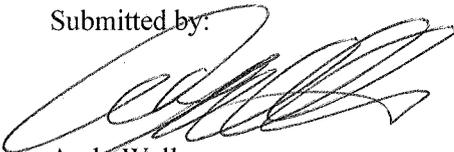
Supt. Utilities Grant reported that he received an e-mail from the engineer who submitted the information in June to the state regarding Well #7 and hasn't received a response yet. The engineer will continue to contact the state.

Community Development Director Santeler updated the City Council on the West Metzen St. Drainage Improvements.

Chief Kazy-Garey reported that Lynn Winkelman, an evening shift dispatcher, has submitted her resignation. The chief anticipates having a replacement in the next few weeks.

At 7:26 p.m., moved by Logan, seconded by Perkins to adjourn the regular City Council meeting. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Musgrove, Logan, Clarke, Perkins and Opper. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by:



Andy Wells,
City Clerk

10/03/12
Date