

**CITY OF PLAINFIELD
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 12, 2015**

Invocation for the Plainfield City Council meeting was given by Tom Geise and Pledge of Allegiance was also led by Geise.

The Plainfield City Council met in regular monthly session May 12, 2015 in the Council Chambers of City Hall at 7:00pm with Mayor Tom Geise presiding and Council Members David Lehman, Kathy Remley and Joe Schmall present. Council Members Clyde Balvanz and Blake Franzen were absent. The following Department Heads were in attendance: City Clerk Brittney Lentz, Fire Chief Tom Poppe and Maintenance Superintendent Andy Luck; along with Mike Jenison, Library Board President.

Motion by Remley seconded by Schmall to approve the agenda. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Council Member Blake Franzen entered at 7:03pm.

Motion by Franzen seconded by Remley to approve the consent agenda; which included the minutes of April 14, 2015, bills for May 2015 and the Clerk's Reports. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Mayor Geise opened the public hearing, concerning the FY15 Budget Amendment, at 7:05pm.

City Clerk Lentz explained the revenue and expenditure increases. No comments were received from the public.

Mayor Geise closed the public hearing at 7:09pm.

Motion by Remley seconded by Lehman to adopt Resolution No. 15-02: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, IOWA, AMENDING THE CURRENT BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015. Roll call vote- Ayes: Franzen, Lehman, Remley and Schmall. Nays: None. Absent: Balvanz. Motion carried.

Mayor Geise proclaimed May 13th through May 20th as American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Days and urged all citizens of the City to pause and honor our Veterans by wearing the memorial poppy.

Motion by Lehman seconded by Schmall to approve a building permit for 527 Short Street to install a walk-out basement stairwell. Ayes: Lehman, Remley and Schmall. Abstain: Franzen. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmall seconded by Franzen to approve a building permit for 702 1st Street to move existing garage. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Franzen seconded by Remley to approve a building permit for the Nashua-Plainfield Intermediate School at 417 Main Street to replace the existing fence north of the softball diamonds with a chain link fence and gate; and to also waive the building permit fee. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Remley seconded by Lehman to approve an On-Premise Alcohol Permit for The Oak Tree. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the investment summary for Summit Software from Data Technologies for utility billing, financials. Council directed Lentz to add the ACH module and cemetery management.

Motion by Lehman seconded by Schmall to allow City Clerk Lentz to attend the 2015 Small City Workshop: Sustaining the Small City on June 11th. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Remley seconded by Schmall to approve a request from Lisa Peterson, Publicity Chair, Relay for Life of Bremer County to tie ribbons along Main Street from June 5th-June 15th to show support in the fight against cancer. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Fire Department member physicals were discussed. Mayor Geise will work with Poppe on scheduling physicals for all volunteer firemen.

Jenison informed the Council that the Library Board would like to change the Trustee's terms from 6 years to 3 years. They would also like to change the Board's resident/non-resident ratio from 6/1 to 5/2. City Clerk Lentz will look into this and get back to the Library Board with the correct procedures.

Maintenance Superintendent Luck reported on the prioritization of the streets for seal coating.

Motion by Schmall seconded by Franzen to approve the 2014 Water Quality Report for the City of Plainfield submitted by Maintenance Superintendent Luck. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Said report is posted in City Hall and the Library for public review.

Council reviewed the wastewater inspection report from the IDNR.

Motion by Remley seconded by Schmall to accept the monthly department reports. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmall seconded by Lehman to adopt Resolution No. 15-03: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, IOWA, INCREASING BUILDING PERMIT FEES. Roll call vote- Ayes: Franzen, Lehman, Remley and Schmall. Nays: None. Absent: Balvanz. Motion carried.

Council reviewed Ordinance Chapter 105: Solid Waste Control. Letters will be sent out to all residents with burn barrels as they are not allowed in City limits.

Jenison and Poppe exited at 8:16pm.

Council reviewed Ordinance Chapter 150: Building Numbers, due to a concern from emergency responders. Chapter 150.02(2) Display Building Number states that the owner shall place or cause to be installed and maintained on the principal building the assigned number in a conspicuous place to the street in figures not less than two and one-half (2 ½) inches in height and of a contrasting color with their background. Notices will be hung around town and put on the City's website and Facebook page requesting property owners comply.

Council reviewed the Personnel Policy and proposed Computer Use, Cell Phone and Social Media Policies. No action was taken at this time.

Motion Remley seconded Franzen to adjourn the meeting at 8:34pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Attest: Brittney Lentz
City Clerk/ Treasurer

Tom Geise
Mayor

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