

**CITY OF PLAINFIELD
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 9, 2014**

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 September 9, 2014 in the Council Chambers of City Hall at 6:30pm with Mayor Tom Geise presiding and Council members Clyde Balvanz, Blake Franzen and Joe Schmall present. The following Department Heads were in attendance: Maintenance Superintendent Andy Luck and City Clerk Brittney Lentz; along with two visitors.

Motion by Balvanz seconded by Franzen to approve the agenda. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

A Nuisance Abatement hearing was held with the property owners of 231 Main Street. Owners reported the weeds/brush have been cut down and hauled to yard waste, one vehicle has been removed and the other vehicle is licensed and drivable, will check into putting the semi in "storage" with the Bremer Co. Treasurer.

Motion by Balvanz seconded by Schmall to approve the consent agenda; which included the minutes of August 13, 2014, bills for September 2014 and the Clerk's Reports. Ayes: All. Absent: Remley. Motion carried.

Council reviewed Ordinance No. 140.08: Parking Restricted. Consensus of the Council was to allow two hour parking in front of City Hall at 604 Main Street. Parking area will be designated with a sign and white curb. Amending Ordinance No. 140.08 will be placed on the October meeting agenda. David Lehman entered.

Mayor Geise opened the public hearing concerning Ordinance No. 27: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, IOWA, 2003, BY AMENDING RESPONSIBILITY FOR WATER SERVICE PIPE at 7:05pm. Adams entered.

Mayor Geise read the purposed ordinance amendment. Discussion was held, all comments were in favor.

Mayor Geise closed the public hearing at 7:10pm.

Motion by Adams seconded by Franzen to approve a building permit for 844 Main Street to place a storage shed on the property. Ayes: All. Absent: Remley. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the proposed sewer maintenance contract with Municipal Pipe Tool Company. Motion by Franzen seconded by Schmall to approve a five year maintenance contract with Municipal Pipe Tool Company. Ayes: All. Absent: Remley. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with Adams about the sewer study that is being conducted by MSA Professional Services. Adams urged the Council to proceed with the recommended sewer televising of the entire town, as sewer issues are not going to go away. Bids received in July for televising from Visu-Sewer and Municipal Pipe were reviewed again. Motion by Balvanz seconded by Franzen to accept the bid for jet vacuuming/cleaning and televising from Municipal Pipe Tool Co. pending the application and approval of an interest free loan from the State Revolving Fund. City Clerk Lentz was directed to contact SRF about the application process. Superintendent Luck was directed to call Municipal about scheduling the cleaning and televising.

Council discussed the Council Member vacancy with Lehman. Lehman will be appointed by Mayor Geise to fill vacant seat on the Council at the October meeting. Adams resigned towards the end of August, due to moving out of town. Mayor Geise presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Adams for his years of service as Council Member. Adams exited.

City Clerk Lentz reported she will be attending the IMFOA conference October 15th-17th and the Goodwill trailer will be parked north of City Hall September 25th-28th for residents. Lentz also informed the Council the Nashua-Plainfield Jr. High classes will be cleaning up the park and cemetery on September 22nd for a Homecoming Service Project.

Motion by Franzen seconded by Schmall to sell the old City Hall building at 707 Main Street using the sealed bid process; with the option to raise bid after all bids are opened; minimum bid of \$15,000. Ayes: All. Absent: Remley. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Franzen seconded by Schmall to approve Resolution No. 14-04: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, IOWA, APPROVING THE FY2014 STREET FINANCIAL REPORT. Roll call vote- Ayes: Balvanz, Franzen and Schmall. Nays: None. Absent: Remley. Motion carried.

Nuisance Abatement letters were discussed. No action was taken at this time.

Motion Balvanz seconded Schmall to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm. Ayes: All. Absent: Remley. Motion carried.

Attest: Brittney Lentz
City Clerk/ Treasurer

Tom Geise
Mayor

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