

**CITY OF PLAINFIELD
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 8, 2015**

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

The Plainfield City Council met in regular monthly session September 8, 2015 in the Council Chambers of City Hall at 7:00pm with Mayor Tom Geise presiding and Council Members Clyde Balvanz, Blake Franzen, David Lehman, Kathy Remley and Joe Schmall present. The following Department Heads were in attendance: City Clerk Brittney Lentz, Fire Chief Tom Poppe and Maintenance Superintendent Andy Luck; along with five visitors.

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

Motion by Balvanz, seconded by Remley to approve the consent agenda; which included the minutes of August 11, 2015, bills for September 2015, and the Clerk's Reports. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Lynn Balvanz was present to request a variance to the front property line setback of twenty feet and answered questions on the deck design. Motion by Lehman, seconded by Schmall to approve a building permit for 308 2nd Street to construct a wrap-around deck on the south side of the house; and to allow a variance, to eighteen feet instead of twenty feet, for the front yard setback. Ayes: Franzen, Lehman, Remley and Schmall. Abstain: Balvanz. Motion carried.

Renee Neil and Jolene White, Library Board Trustees, discussed the Library public measure wording with the Council. Motion by Remley, seconded by Balvanz to approve Resolution No. 15-10: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, IOWA, TO SUBMIT TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD THE QUESTION OF ALTERING THE NUMBER OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES, RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES AND THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD. Roll call vote- Ayes: Balvanz, Franzen, Lehman, Remley and Schmall. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the upcoming City Election on Tuesday, November 3rd; the Mayor and 2 Council Member positions will be on the ballot.

City Clerk Lentz reported that the Goodwill truck will be in town September 24th-28th accepting donations. Lentz will also be attending the IMFOA Fall Conference October 21st-23rd.

Lynn Balvanz exited at 7:30pm.

Peggy Luck presented the Council with two designs for a City Hall sign. Council asked Mrs. Luck to get pricing for the design that is similar to the welcome sign. Council Member Balvanz would also like to see pricing for a similar sign, but two-sided so it is able to be seen from both directions.

Neil and White reported on upcoming office and kitchenette renovations the Board will be doing with Bremer Co. Community Foundation Grant funds.

City Clerk Lentz reported on the DOT Sign Replacement Program funding. Funding has run out for 2015, but the City's application will be kept on file until funds are available.

Fire Chief Poppe reported on the Firemen's physicals that were done at the Fire Station the end of August. Mayor Geise will speak with Covenant Clinic, Tripoli about scheduling office visits for the three members that were not able to be there.

Maintenance Superintendent Luck reported that the curb stop at 702 Main Street will be repaired on September 21st; and Art Mehmen will available to paint the shed by the water tower the end of September.

Discussion was held on scheduling a special meeting with MSA to hear the results on the water and sewer system evaluations. Motion by Franzen, seconded by Schmall to schedule a Special City Council meeting for Monday, September 21st at 6pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Poppe and Ralph White exited at 8:01pm.

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

Motion by Balvanz, seconded by Franzen to adopt Resolution No. 15-11: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, IOWA, APPROVING THE FY15 STREET FINANCIAL REPORT. Roll call vote- Ayes: Balvanz, Franzen, Lehman, Remley and Schmall. Motion carried.

Motion Remley, seconded Lehman to adjourn the meeting at 8:04pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Attest: Brittney Lentz
City Clerk/ Treasurer

Tom Geise
Mayor

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