

**Regular Council Meeting January 17, 2007 – 6:00 p.m.** The West Burlington City Council met in regular session at 122 Broadway Street with Mayor Trousil presiding. Council Members Rod Crowner, Rick Raleigh, Marc Pilger and Therese Lees were present. Tom Law was absent. City Administrator Dan Gifford, Fire Chief Terry Kesterke, Police Chief Alex Oblein, Finance Officer Leslie Sattler and Public Works Director Randy Fry were also present.

Lees made a motion, second by Pilger, to approve the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote. Crowner, Raleigh, Pilger and Lees voted aye. Motion carried.

Lees made a motion, second by Crowner, to approve the following Consent Agenda as presented. Crowner asked for clarification on item D “Payment to Ahlers & Cooney for legal services”. Finance Officer Sattler stated that Ahlers & Cooney have been hired to handle FMLA related issues. Roll call vote. Raleigh, Lees, Pilger and Crowner voted aye. Motion carried.

- A. Minutes of January 3, 2007 Regular City Council Meeting
- B. Resignation of Reserve Officer Nate Moore
- C. Attendance at Winter Fire School for Fire Fighter Jim Franciskovich
- D. Payment to Ahlers & Cooney for legal services - \$1,401.51
- E. Payment to Burlington Municipal Water Works - \$18,142.86
- F. Payment to Burlington Municipal Water Works - \$1,405.02
- G. Payment to DMC GIS Commission - \$2,761.95
- H. Payment to DMC Regional Waste Commission - \$2,120.80
- I. Payment to QC Analytical Services, LLC - \$1,192.00
- J. Payment of Claims in the amount of \$91,535.27

**CITIZEN’S INQUIRIES:** No inquiries.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**SANITATION** – Nothing to report

**UTILITIES** – Nothing to report

**STREETS** – Nothing to report

**PUBLIC SAFETY** –Chief Oblein reported that he was working on updates to department policies and had applied for a grant to pay for protective vests.

Fire Chief Kesterke reported that the department had taken part in the Home Alone Rangers program presented by DMC Emergency Management at the West Burlington Christian Church on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Staff is also working on some electrical problems in the smoke trailer.

**FINANCE** – Mayor Trousil reported that an equipment problem with the City Hall recording system had been fixed and Council meetings can be recorded for tape delayed viewing again.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approved the purchase of a Speedlaser for the Police Department utilizing sTEP grant funds** -

Lees made a motion, second by Pilger, to approve the purchase of a Speedlaser for the Police Department. The City will pay for the equipment upfront and be reimbursed through sTEP grant funds. Roll call vote. Crowner, Raleigh, Lees and Pilger voted aye. Motion carried.

**Approved the purchase of 10 Scott air packs for the Fire Department utilizing grant funds** - Lees made a motion, second by Pilger, to approve the purchase of 10 Scott Air Packs. Five air packs are for the City and five are for the Quad Township. 90% of the cost will be paid for with grant funds. The matching 10% will be split between the City and the Quad Township. Roll call vote. Crowner, Raleigh, Lees and Pilger voted aye. Motion carried.

**Approved and Engineering Services Agreement with French-Reneker-Associates for design and construction of watermain on West Burlington Ave.** – John Meyer with French-Reneker-Associates presented an Engineering Services Agreement for design and construction related services for the West Burlington Avenue Watermain Improvement project. The proposed fee for design services is \$13,900 and the construction related engineering services is \$8,700 making the total \$22,600. Crowner made a motion, second by Pilger, to approve an Engineering Services Agreement with French-Reneker-Associates for design and construction of watermain on West Burlington Ave. Roll call vote Raleigh, Law, Pilger and Crowner voted aye. Motion carried. As part of this project, Council discussed extending sewer along Agency. After a brief discussion of the development proposed for the area Council directed Engineer Meyer to prepare an Engineering Services Agreement to extend sewer main approximately 500 feet on Agency Street from West Burlington Ave. west. Engineer Meyer will prepare an amendment to this agreement for Council to consider at the next meeting.

**Consider Amendments to Tax Abatements for Ben Brink and William Becker** – Mr. Ben Brink and Mr. William Becker addressed the Council with a request to modify the tax abatement schedule approved for the properties at 401 and 403 S. Gear Ave. Mr. Becker received a 3-year 100% tax exemption on the construction of his building at 401 S. Gear Ave. on April 5, 2006. Mr. Brink received a Five-Year Partial Exemption on the construction of his commercial building at 403 S. Gear Ave on August 2, 2006. At the December 6<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting Council amended the tax abatement program by offering a 10-Year Partial Tax Exemption. Mr. Brink and Mr. Becker would like to take advantage of the 10-Year Partial Tax Exemption. According to the Des Moines County Assessor changes can be made to the abatement schedule as long as a value has not been placed on the improvements and the change takes place prior to March 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Brink and Mr. Becker stated that any savings they receive they pass on to the tenants in their buildings. Alred Arcidiacono, owner of the UPS Store at 403 S. Gear Ave., encouraged Council to amend Mr. Brink's request in order to make the available spaces more attractive to potential businesses. Mr. Brink's building at 403 S. Gear Ave. has five commercial spaces and only one has been filled at this time. Mr. Becker has three spaces available and only one filled as well. Council agreed that Mr. Becker and Mr. Brink should submit a new application for a Ten-Year Partial Tax Exemption and Council will consider adopting a new Resolution at the next City Council Meeting. Crowner asked staff contact anyone who would be eligible for the Ten-Year Partial Tax Exemption to see if they were interested in amending their request.

**OLD BUSINESS: No old business.**

**MAYOR'S INQUIRIES:** Administrator Gifford stated that School Board Superintendent Sleister contacted him to see if Council would meet with the West Burlington School Board. Administrator Gifford will set up a work session following the February 7<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting.

**CITIZEN'S INQUIRIES:**

**ADJOURN** – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m. upon motion by Crowner, second by Lees. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carried. Council held a Budget Work Session following the City Council meeting.

## Claims List 1/17/2007

ABC FIRE EXT. SALES & SERVICE	HYDRO TEST	275.80
AHLERS & COONEY	LEGAL SERVICES	1,401.51
ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS & ELECTRICITY	14,084.24
ALLIANT TECHSYSTEMS INC.	WATER REFUND	143.21
AXA EQUITABLE	DEFERRED COMP.	400.00
BALZER INC.	FLAT STEEL	35.47
BANCARD CENTER	MEALS-OBLEIN	271.49
BAUER BUILT INC.	TIRE REPAIR	20.00
BURLINGTON MUNICIPAL WATER	WATER-13,099,000 GALLONS	19,547.88
CDW GOVERNMENT INC.	LINKSYS SWITCH	860.86
	COOLER RENT & BOTTLED	
CLEAR FALLS BOTTLED WATER	WATER	8.00
CRAFTSMAN PRESS	PURCHASE ORDERS	466.00
DEPT. OF PUBLIC DEFENSE	CAMP DODGE - VILLONT	68.00
DES MOINES CO. AUDITOR	GIS	2,761.95
DES MOINES CO. NEWS	ONE YEAR SUBSCRIPTION	130.57
DES MOINES CO. REGIONAL	WASTE MANAGEMENT	2,248.48
DORAN & WARD PRINTING CO	THANK YOU'S	20.00
EASTERN IOWA LIGHT & POWER	ELECTRICITY/BEAVERDALE	34.31
FARM KING OF BURLINGTON	SUPPLIES	310.71
FARMINGTON EMERGENCY	FIRE SCHOOL-SASSO	
RESPONDERS	REIMBURSE	76.00
FEDERAL ELECTRONIC TAX PAY	FEDERAL TAXES	11,084.62
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING	MANUALS	115.00
FULLERTON BUILDING CENTER	LUMBER	81.81
GREAT RIVER MEDICAL CENTER	PHYSICALS	312.00
GREENWOOD CLEANING		
SYSTEMS	PAPER TOWELS/SOAP	387.19
GROUP SERVICES INC.	MED. INS. REIMBURSEMENT	1,501.75
HOLT SUPPLY CO.	PLUMBING SUPPLIES	5.01
HY-VEE	MEALS-BONAR	20.00
HYGIENIC LABORATORY A/R	WATER TESTING	209.00
IDEAL READY MIX CO. INC.	CONCRETE	322.00
IL STATE DISBURSEMENT UNIT	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	140.00
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	20.00
IOWA FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION	ANNUAL DUES-22 FIREMEN	460.00
IOWA ILLINOIS OFFICE		
PRODUCTS	COPY PAPER	255.09
IOWA TELECOM	TELEPHONE SERVICE	297.67

COMMUNICATION		
J & S ELECTRONIC BUSINESS	REPAIR CCTV	212.50
KONE INC.	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT	522.48
	T1/TELE	
LISCO/LTDS	SERVICE/INTERNET/EMAIL	430.44
LOWE'S COMPANIES INC.	FLAG	21.97
MATT PARROTT & SONS CO.	MINUTE BOOK SHEETS	41.96
MELSSSEN, ELDON	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	78.29
MENARDS	POLE LIGHT BULB CHANGER	1,225.30
MERSCHMAN FERTILIZER L.L.C	SALT	529.40
MID-STATES ORGANIZED CRIME	2007 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	100.00
MIRACLE CAR WASH	CAR WASHES	5.50
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY		
SERVICES	AIRPACKS-10	25,700.00
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC.	METER COUPLINGS	41.70
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS	327.76
POSTMASTER	STAMPS	24.00
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	WASTEWATER TEST	1,192.00
QPR	PATCH	100.33
ROADWAY EXPRESS	SHIP BLOWER	184.12
TASC	FLEX PLAN	358.33
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	TRAINING-BONAR	325.00
	BODY ARMOR-	
UNIFORM DEN INC.	MCCULLOCH/NEWBERRY	789.98
	WINDOW BARRIERS/BELT	
US CAVALRY	LOOP	432.78
VILLONT, JEAN PAUL	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	35.33
WEST BURLINGTON		
FIREFIGHTERS	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	480.48
	FUND TOTALS	
001 GENERAL FUND		46,565.97
110 ROAD USE		4,804.07
600 WATER		27,731.91
610 SEWER		12,357.32
950 TRUST & AGENCY		76
GRAND TOTAL		91,535.27