

**MINUTES  
FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL  
Tuesday, August 21, 2012 7:00 P.M.**

The Fort Madison City Council met in adjourned session on Tuesday, August 21, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 811 Avenue E, Fort Madison. Presiding was Mayor Bradley A. Randolph with Council Members Chris Greenwald, Brian Wright, Kevin Rink, Neal Boeding, Travis Seidel, Jason Huppert and Mark Lair present.

**VISITORS AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS**

George Shields, 2803 Avenue J, requested school zone signs and appropriate street markings be installed at the new middle school.

**AGENDA**

Rink MOVED and Lair SECONDED to approve the agenda as written.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Greenwald MOVED and Boeding SECONDED to approve:

- Minutes of August 7, 2012, as written; and
- New 14-Day Liquor License: to Holy Trinity Catholic Schools, Inc. at Tri-State Rodeo Arena Complex, effective September 1, 2012 – Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales;
- New 5-Day Liquor License to: Mexican Fiesta Committee of Fort Madison, 3411 Avenue Q, effective September 12, 2012 – Class B Beer (BB) with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales; and
- Payment of Claims.

Pat Shaffer, Holy Trinity, explained a 14-day license was needed due to the addition of a dance on Labor Day weekend.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**2nd READING, REZONE 1001 – 48<sup>TH</sup> ST.:** Lair MOVED and Wright SECONDED to approve the 2nd reading of an ordinance rezoning property located at 1001 – 48<sup>th</sup> Street, from R-6, Multi-Family Dwelling District, to B-2, Business District, General Retail.

John Heyland, 3005 Timberlane Drive, explained he was in favor of the Sports Complex and his intention at the last meeting was to make the public aware of differences in plans for the Complex. The plans submitted for the CAT grant application did not include a restaurant and bar at the Complex, but other plans included a restaurant and bar. A representative from the Complex explained to him the restaurant and bar was no longer being considered and that alcohol would only be sold during adult activities.

Marty Dean, Chairman of the Complex Committee, said the plan with the restaurant and bar was the Committee's "pie in the sky" plan but is not part of the current plan. He added alcohol will only be served during adult leagues and adult tourneys. Cal Ripken and Babe Ruth sanctioned events do not allow alcohol to be consumed on premises.

ROLL CALL:           AYES: Greenwald, Wright, Rink, Boeding, Seidel, Huppert, Lair  
                          NAYES: None

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

The Mayor then declared said Ordinance PASSED and APPROVED this 21st day of August, 2012.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-42, UPDATE TASK FORCE 28E:** Seidel MOVED and Huppert SECONDED to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign an updated 28E Agreement with the Lee County Narcotics Task Force.

Chief Niggemeyer explained the City entered into a 28E Agreement in 1991 for the formation of the Task Force. During a recent state audit of the Task Force, it was recommended updating the 28E Agreement every five years. The new Agreement is basically the same as the previous agreement.

ROLL CALL:           AYES: Greenwald, Wright, Rink, Boeding, Seidel, Huppert, Lair  
                          NAYES: None

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

The Mayor then declared said Resolution ADOPTED and ENACTED this 7th day of August, 2012.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-43, APPLY FOR CLG GRANT:** Lair MOVED and Boeding SECONDED to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor's signature on a grant application for a Certified Local Government grant to allow the Historic Preservation

Commission to prepare and place on the National Register of Historic Places an area located within the Park to Park Residential Historic District, and for a cash match expenditure from the City in the amount of \$4,300.00 for said grant.

Smith reported that previous CLG grants have supplied the research and background information needed to apply for a portion of the “Park to Park” area to be placed on the National Historic Register. The grant will provide funds to hire a consultant to prepare the application.

ROLL CALL:           AYES: Greenwald, Wright, Rink, Boeding, Seidel, Huppert, Lair  
                          NAYES: None

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

The Mayor then declared said Resolution ADOPTED and ENACTED this 7th day of August, 2012.

**OTHER**

**CONTRACT AMENDMENT W/SEIRPC RE: DOWNTOWN FAÇADE GRANT:** Rink MOVED and Wright SECONDED to approve the Mayor’s signature on a contract amendment for CDBG Grant Administration Services for the Downtown Façade Renovation Grant with Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

**LEASE AND LEASE AMENDEMENT NLCHS:** Greenwald MOVED and Seidel SECONDED to approve a lease amendment for the Santa Fe Depot Complex and to approve a lease for the CB&Q Depot with the North Lee County Historical Society.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

**PAYMENT TO CITY OF KEOKUK FOR TASK FORCE REIMBURSEMENT:** Lair MOVED and Greenwald SECONDED to approve the payment of \$30,000.00 to the City of Keokuk for the City of Fort Madison’s share of Lee County Narcotics Task Force operating expenses for the fiscal years 2010-11 and 2011-12.

Smith explained an audit of the Task Force was done prior to the transfer of the handling of the Task Force funds from the City of Keokuk to Lee County. During the audit, it was discovered the City of Keokuk had not billed the County or City of Fort Madison for all expenditures. It was requested the County and City of Fort Madison reimburse the City of Keokuk for this shortfall. A \$30,000 payment was requested from

Fort Madison to cover the City's portion of the unbilled expenditures over the last two fiscal years.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

Smith informed Council the City had the option of paying the amount in one lump sum or spreading it out over time. Following a brief discussion, Council requested paying the amount in full.

**PURCHASE TAHOE FOR POLICE DEPT.:** Rink MOVED and Greenwald SECONDED to approve the purchase of one 2012 Chevrolet Tahoe for the Police Department from Karl Motors, Ankeny, Iowa, in the amount of \$24,839.00.

In researching available vehicles for police use, Chief Niggemeyer recommended the Tahoe over the Caprice, Cougar and Taurus. He cited the following:

1. Gas mileage is comparable with the other vehicles;
2. Better trade-in value;
3. Vehicle platform is stouter;
4. Roomier and easier to get in and out;
5. Maintenance costs have been lower when compared to the Crown Victoria's maintenance costs.

Some concern was expressed regarding a fleet of Tahoes, but until manufacturers offer a better alternative, Niggemeyer felt this was the best choice. The Sheriff's Department recently purchased three Tahoes.

Wright was concerned with the public's perception of the Tahoe. Greenwald also researched the vehicles available and he endorsed the Tahoe. He believed if there is a problem with perception then Council needs to educate the public.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

**APPROVE SALT BID:** Seidel MOVED and Boeding SECONDED to approve the bid of Central Salt, Lyons, KS, in the amount of \$30,365.00 for 500 tons of rock salt for the Public Works Department.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

**RENAME SANTA FE DEPOT:** Greenwald requested the Santa Fe Depot be renamed to the Steven J. Ireland Depot. As the Depot is on the National Register of Historic Places an exterior sign could not be installed. He suggested a plaque with a picture, the name and some background into Ireland's part in the Depot renovation project.

Ireland's family was present and said this was not something Ireland asked for. They agreed with the idea of a plaque.

Randolph felt Ireland deserved some honor for his part in the Depot project but he pointed out others have also been instrumental in the project, such as John Wright who got "the ball rolling". He agreed something should be done to indicate Ireland's contribution but pointed out the Depot has been here for a long time and others might not see this the same way as Council.

Council understood the exterior of the building must be kept historically correct and a sign could not be installed on the exterior denoting the name change. Greenwald wanted the name changed for the record and that the City would then refer to the Depot as the "Steven J. Ireland Depot". Lair agreed but didn't necessarily believe the public would follow along.

Andy Andrews, North Lee County Historic Society, pointed out the building could not be renamed on the National Historic Register nor could any exterior signs be installed. He felt the Board of Directors of the North Lee County Historic Society would be willing to allow a plaque to be hung in the waiting room.

Randolph said the lease agreement approved earlier tonight gave the City the right to install a plaque inside the Depot once Amtrak is there. Sue Andrews felt it would be a courtesy to contact the North Lee County Historical Society Board regarding the matter.

Greenwald MOVED and Boeding SECONDED a motion to consider placement of a plaque in the Santa Fe Depot building and renaming the building in honor of Steven J. Ireland.

Randolph believed the family needed to be involved in the process and the exact name could be determined later.

**MOTION PASSED 7 AYES**

### **PRESENTATIONS BY LIAISONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Repair work at the Kuhlmeier Fountain should start in October. GRRWA learned there is enough "air space" at the landfill to last until 2024.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Wright MOVED and Rink SECONDED to adjourn until Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

VOICE VOTE APPROVAL

**MANUAL CLAIMS AND WARRANTS:** See Claims dated August 16, 2012 in the amount of \$128,121.20 and Library Claims dated August 16, 2012 in the amount of \$6,660.19.

<u>PAYROLL</u>	<u>August 10, 2012</u>
General	\$152,631.68
RSVP	1,318.37
Marina	670.00
Old Fort	4,095.84
Road Use	24,529.15
Water	37,031.06
Sewer	33,563.38
Solid Waste	12,195.72
Storm Water	<u>2,764.30</u>
	\$268,799.50

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Bradley A. Randolph, Mayor  
City of Fort Madison

ATTEST:

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Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk