

**MINUTES
FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, March 18, 2014**

The Fort Madison City Council met in adjourned session on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall, 811 Avenue E, Fort Madison. Presiding was Mayor Bradley A. Randolph with Council Members Chris Greenwald, Brian Wright, Kevin Rink, Rusty Andrews, Travis Seidel, Jason Huppert and Mark Lair.

VISITORS AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS

There were none.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Randolph read a proclamation for Mayor's National Service Day and presented the proclamation to RSVP Director Jimmy Wendorf.

SERVICE AWARD PRESENTATION

Mayor Randolph presented awards to John Schier for his service as a City Council member from 1990-1994 and as a board/commission member from 1994 to 2014, and Nick Colbert for serving as a board/commission member from 1972 to 2014.

AGENDA

Wright MOVED and Lair SECONDED to approve the agenda, as written.

MOTION PASSED 7-0

CONSENT AGENDA

Greenwald MOVED and Seidel SECONDED to approve:

- Minutes of March 18, 2014, as written;
- Liquor License Renewal: LULAC Council, 1424 – 36th Street – Class C Liquor with Sunday Sales;
- Mayor's appointment of Mary Ann Gaudette, 909 Avenue E, to the Park, Recreation and Dock Board, term expiring April 1, 2018;
- Mayor's reappointment of Dave Mohen to the Old Fort

- Commission, term expiring March 21, 2017; and
- Payment of Claims.

MOTION PASSED 7-0

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-11, ACCEPT PIP 2012-06, KUHLMEIER FOUNTAIN: Rink MOVED and Seidel SECONDED to adopt a resolution accepting Public Improvement Project 2012-06, Kuhlmeier Fountain Restoration.

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

MOTION PASSED 7-0

The Mayor then declared said Resolution ADOPTED and ENACTED this 18th day of March, 2014.

RESOLUTION 2014-12, SET PUBLIC HEARING INNSBROOK RESIDENTIAL URBAN RENEWAL AREA: Lair MOVED and Andrews SECONDED to adopt a resolution determining the necessity and setting dates of a consultation and a public hearing on a proposed Innsbrook Residential Urban Renewal Plan for a proposed Urban Renewal Area in the City of Fort Madison, State of Iowa.

City Manager Byron Smith said this is to set time and place for the public hearing and set the consultation dates for the subdivision off 33rd Street and Bluff Road.

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

MOTION PASSED 7-0

The Mayor then declared said Resolution ADOPTED and ENACTED this 18th day of March, 2014.

OTHER

TANDEM AXLE CAB/CHASSIS BIDS: Seidel MOVED and Greenwald SECONDED to approve the bids of Truck Country Quad Cities, Moline, Illinois, for a tandem axle cab and chassis in the amount of \$84,092.71 and of Henderson Truck Equipment of Manchester, Iowa, in the amount of \$88,240.00 for a box, plow and sander.

Gary Keller, Knapheide sales rep for Southeast Iowa, and Rick Pioch, General Manager for Knapheide Truck Equipment Center in Quincy, Illinois, were present. Keller said Knapheide had been good trying to provide service to the City of Fort Madison and was one of the few that ran a service truck. He had quoted a stainless steel box and requested two more weeks before a decision was made so he could work with Public Works Director Driscoll on their bid.

Huppert expressed concern with 50% of the cost of the truck coming from the Highway 61 buyout money. He did not think it was a good idea to tap into that money for vehicle expenses. Driscoll said the existing tandem truck that is being used is unsafe and this vehicle will be used to maintain Hwy. 61.

Smith said the 50% could be taken out of Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) funds but that would take money away from other projects. Funds are allocated from LOST to pay for the road repair/resurfacing of three streets this year.

Seidel was not opposed to using the buyout funds for this purchase but wanted each expenditure from the Highway 61 buyout funds to be examined carefully.

Huppert MOVED and Greenwald SECONDED to amend the motion and replace the 50% budgeted from Highway 61 buyout money with Local Option Sales Tax funds for this purchase.

**MOTION FAILED 2 AYES (Greenwald, Huppert)
5 NAYS**

A vote was then taken on the original motion.

**MOTION PASSED 6 AYES
1 NAY (Huppert)**

APPROVE DESIGN SERVICE AGREEMENT PSBA FOR PIP 2014-01 AND 2014-02:

Greenwald MOVED and Seidel SECONDED to approve the Mayor's signature on a Professional Services Agreement with Poepping, Stone, Bach & Associates, Inc. for design services for Public Improvement Projects 2014-01, Reconstruction of 48th Street from Bluff Road to Avenue O and 2014-02, Reconstruction of 24th Street from Avenue A to Avenue L.

Driscoll said the footprint of the streets will stay the same. The road is sitting on native soil and there is no road base. Bob Manka, 44 Alta Drive, said this is the result of not having an inspector on the job. Manka was a member of the City Council in 1977 when the road was constructed, and he said the City Council then would not allow for an inspector on the job and expected staff to perform the inspections. He said staff does not have the time to do this.

Lair hoped the drainage issues would be addressed. At a question regarding the issue of the uneven pavement at the 48th Street intersection, Driscoll said that could be addressed during the rehab of Highway 61.

Driscoll said any technical engineering will be subbed out and testing will be by a certified engineer. Driscoll will perform daily inspections, take notes and notify the engineer when needed.

**MOTION PASSED 5 AYES
2 NAYS (Wright, Rink)**

APPROVE CONCEPTUAL DESIGN BUSINESS HIGHWAY 61 REHAB: Lair MOVED and Greenwald SECONDED to approve the Mayor's signature on a Professional Services Agreement with HR Green for the conceptual design of the Business Highway 61 Rehab Project – Phase 1.

Smith reviewed what the conceptual design process will include:

- 5.2 miles of highway running from Comfort Inn to the foot of the Santa Fe Bridge. This will be broken down into four segments;
- Turning movements at 15 intersections along the corridor;
- Review of construction maps from IDOT, utility maps, r-o-w maps, traffic accident data and analyze traffic count information;
- Prepare maps, outline the street conditions and type of rehabilitation needed in each segment;
- Potential to reduce four lanes to three lanes;
- Possible improvements for pedestrian and bicycle traffic along corridor;
- Design or redesign at one-way pairs;
- Evaluation of roundabouts in a select locations;
- Possible streetscaping, including lighting;
- Public input meetings for feedback from the community.

Smith said HR Green was able to lower the price from \$260,000 to \$242,300 if the traffic count information comes through SEIRPC and City staff perform some of the ADA inspections. This will delay the project a few months.

At a question from Lair, Tim Cutsworth, HR Green, said it will be 3-4 years before ground is broken and 10 years before the project is completed. HR Green has done similar projects for Clinton and Coralville.

At the March 18 Council meeting, Greenwald asked if the study could be broken into two segments, Cutsworth said this would increase the price by nearly \$100,000. Many items would have to be duplicated such as public information sessions, intersection studies and meetings. He added that while it may look like the west end of the highway needs little work, this study may show that may not be the case.

Randolph said the City was just awarded an STP grant for \$600,000 today for the 2nd through 6th Street section and will continue to apply for STP funding for the project.

Seidel said the community wants this done and wants it to get started. Huppert questioned the average lifespan of the road. Cutsworth said with proper maintenance it should be 50-60 years. He added maintenance includes the potential for an overlay.

Huppert was concerned with how to pay for the maintenance of the road in 10 years and wanted more of a plan on what the maintenance costs would be and where the funds would come from. Cutsworth said the routine maintenance on the existing road will cost more now than the first 15-20 years of maintenance on a new road.

**MOTION PASSED 6 AYES
1 NAY (Huppert)**

APPROVE SPRING 2014 ASPHALT BID: Lair MOVED and Andrews SECONDED to approve the bid of Cessford Construction Company of Burlington, Iowa, in the amount of \$174,530.00 for the Spring 2014 Asphalt Project.

MOTION PASSED 7 AYES

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion and Possible Action concerning a Proposal for the Lease of the Rashid Memorial Building.

Sarah Crabtree, Fort Madison United Way, presented a proposal for the use of the building. The Community Services Food Pantry will use one side and the other side will be used as a resource center. The resource center can be used for reading, tutoring and mentoring. Volunteers from several organizations, including RSVP and the King Daughters, will be involved. Crabtree plans to collaborate with partners agencies such as Big Brother/Big Sisters, LCHD and Community Action. Volunteers will tend gardens behind the building so fresh produce can be used at the food pantry.

Smith said a lot of details, such as maintenance will be brought up in the lease agreement.

Rink MOVED and Wright SECONDED to approve the United Way's proposal for the use of the Rashid Memorial Building.

MOTION PASSED 7 AYES

PRESENTATIONS BY LIAISONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Rodeo Park. Work will begin on a new shelter house with bathroom and kitchen at Old Settlers Park. The Old Settlers Association is providing the funding for this work. Residents of Fort Madison's Sister City of Prum, Germany, are planning a trip to Fort Madison either later this year or in 2015.

Mayor Randolph congratulated the Fort Madison High School band for receiving the Best Musical Performance Award at the International Band Parade, in Limerick, Ireland.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:38 P.M., Seidel MOVED and Lair SECONDED to adjourn until Tuesday, April 1, 2014, at 7:00 P.M.

VOICE VOTE APPROVAL

MANUAL CLAIMS AND WARRANTS: See Claims dated March 13, 2014, in the amount of \$125,854.36 and Manual Claims dated February 28, 2014 in the amount of \$425,957.53.

<u>PAYROLL</u>	<u>3/7/2014</u>
General	\$162,901.99
RSVP	1,199.19
Old Fort	2,305.52
Road Use	26,073.45
Hotel/Motel	1,290.84
Water	28,932.58
Sewer	31,697.90
Solid Waste	15,835.64
Storm Water	3,151.53
	<u>\$273,388.64</u>

Mayor Bradley A. Randolph
City of Fort Madison

ATTEST:

Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk