

**MINUTES
FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, July 21, 2015**

The Fort Madison City Council met in adjourned session at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E, Fort Madison. Mayor Randolph presided with Council Members Brian Wright, Kevin Rink, Rusty Andrews and Chad Cangas present. Council Members Chris Greenwald, Travis Seidel and Jason Huppert were absent.

VISITORS AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS

Rocky Aschbrenner, 2108 Avenue A, asked if the City could look at the problem of rainwater flooding Avenue A in his neighborhood during heavy rains. Don Harris, 2110 Avenue A, said the rains leave behind a fine clay in the street that turns into dust. At a question from Rink, Public Works Director Larry Driscoll said the open ditches on Avenue A are privately owned. If the owners of the ditches would remove the trees and brush there, the City would install erosion stone. Wright said he is a member of the church which borders one of the ditches in question. The congregation is aware of the problem and hopes to take care of their portion of that ditch.

AGENDA

Cangas MOVED and Wright SECONDED to approve the agenda as written.

MOTION PASSED 4-0

CONSENT AGENDA

Rink MOVED and Cangas SECONDED to approve:

- ♦ Minutes of July 7, 2015, as written;
- ♦ Mayor's Appointment of Ronald Walker to the Fort Madison Housing Authority, term expiring June 3, 2017;
- ♦ New Eight-Month Liquor License with conditions: Fort Madison Sports Complex, 1007 – 48th Street, effective August 1, 2015 – Class B Native Wine, Special Class C Liquor (BW) with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales (pending dram shop endorsement); and
- ♦ Payment of Claims.

MOTION PASSED 4-0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Concerning Public Improvement Project 2015-01, Reconstruct Avenue E from 22nd to 24th Street

At 7:13 P.M. Mayor Randolph opened the public hearing concerning PIP 2015-01, Reconstruct Avenue E from 22nd to 24th Street. There were no oral or written comments.

Cangas asked if this project would address issues with the sewers in that area. He lived on Avenue E and the sewers would back up and flood the basements during heavy rains. The City would open the manholes and pump water out. This has been occurring for over 10 years. Driscoll a capped storm sewer was found that at 23rd Street and Avenue H and this has been repaired. Building Inspector Doug Krogmeier said he lives in the area and hasn't had any issues with flooding in his basement since that repair. Driscoll and Krogmeier agreed the problem of sump pumps and downspouts discharging directly into the sewers will have to be addressed.

Cangas MOVED and Wright SECONDED to close the public hearing.

MOTION PASSED 4-0

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-45, ADOPT PLANS, SPECS: Rink MOVED and Cangas SECONDED to approve a resolution adopting plans, specifications and form of contract for the project.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Wright, Rink, Andrews, Cangas
 NAYES: None

MOTION PASSED 4-0

The Mayor then declared said Resolution ADOPTED AND ENACTED on this 21st day of July, 2015.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-46, AWARD CONTRACT: Wright MOVED and Cangas SECONDED to adopt a resolution awarding construction contract for the project to Jones Contracting Corp., of West Point, Iowa, in the amount of \$354,777.

Driscoll said this project was put out to bid by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Wright, Rink, Andrews, Cangas
 NAYES: None

MOTION PASSED 4-0

The Mayor then declared said Resolution ADOPTED AND ENACTED on this 21st day of July, 2015.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-47, APPROVE CONTRACT/BONDS: Wright MOVED and Rink SECONDED to adopt a resolution approving the contract and bonds of Jones Contracting Corp. pending receipt of the documents.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Wright, Rink, Andrews, Cangas
 NAYES: None

MOTION PASSED 4-0

The Mayor then declared said Resolution ADOPTED AND ENACTED on this 21st day of July, 2015.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS - None

OTHER

AGREEMENT WITH STANLEY CONSULTANTS: Cangas MOVED and Andrews SECONDED to approve a professional services agreement with Stanley Consultants, Inc. for the design, onsite inspection and Iowa Department of Natural Resources permitting for the 13th Street CSO Phase 2.

Driscoll reported this is the second phase of the 13th Street CSO project. This will take place from Avenue E to Avenue H.

MOTION PASSED 4-0

PURCHASE MECHANICAL BAR SCREEN: Cangas MOVED and Rink SECONDED to approve the purchase of one mechanically cleaned bar screen in the amount of \$175,099 from Vulcan Industries, Inc., of Missouri Valley, Iowa.

MOTION PASSED 4-0

POLICE OFFICER ELIGIBILITY LIST/HIRE TWO OFFICERS: Rink MOVED and Wright SECONDED to accept the Civil Service Commission's Police Officer Eligibility List and to approve the hiring of two police officers.

Police Chief Niggemeyer said one officer will be retiring soon and another has resigned.

MOTION PASSED 4-0

13TH STREET CSO PHASE 2: Cangas MOVED and Rink SECONDED to authorize expenditures of up to \$103,500 for Phase 2 of the 13th Street CSO Separation Project.

MOTION PASSED 4-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS - None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

The DNR supplied a turkey vulture carcass to hang at the property that has been having issues. In the last two days there have been no turkey vultures at that property. The Building Department is going through an ISO review. Blank Park Zoo of Des Moines will have a program at the library. The auditors will start the financial audit fieldwork tomorrow. The railroad has begun clearing the log jam in Dry Creek. Driscoll has met with the railroad regarding the possible installation of a flood wall at the wastewater treatment plant. Luna and Varley have been working on incentives for slip renters.

PRESENTATIONS BY LIAISONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Great River Regional Waste Authority is preparing for their next air space study.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:38 P.M., Cangas MOVED and Andrews SECONDED to adjourn until Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

VOICE VOTE APPROVAL

MANUAL CLAIMS AND WARRANTS: See Claims dated July 16, 2015, in the amount of \$330,399.63 and Library Claims dated July 17, 2015, in the amount of \$7,974.41.

PAYROLL	7/10/2015
General	\$214,927.19
Special Revenue	7,263.74
Road Use	19,952.75
Water	25,207.22
Sewer	34,401.21
Solid Waste	14,486.65
Storm Water	2,567.18
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Mayor Bradley A. Randolph
City of Fort Madison

ATTEST:

Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk