

CITY OF ODEBOLT - REGULAR MEETING

August 7, 2006 - CITY HALL, 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Rex called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Flink, Bengford, Scott and Hemphill. Absent: Hoefling. Also in attendance were: Laura, Beth & Amy Stangl, Steve Hustedt, Paul & Melinda Peters, Bill Tysor and Chief Bruce Henderson.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hemphill to approve the agenda. Four ayes.
Moved by Scott and seconded by Bengford to approve the minutes of the July meeting. Four ayes.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Bengford to approve the bills as presented: Four ayes.

(Insert bills)

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

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| Public Safety | 7,966.02 |
| Public Works | 8,416.65 |
| Culture/Rec. | 11,843.74 |
| Ec. Dev. | 1,163.75 |
| General Gov. | 3,512.23 |
| Garbage | 8,810.49 |
| Recycling | 2,456.70 |
| Sewer | 5,428.09 |
| Water | 7,594.02 |
| Sales Tax | 1,032.00 |
| Health & Social | <u>190.00</u> |
| Total | \$58,413.69 |

JULY RECEIPTS

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| Utilities | \$24,446.98 |
| Taxes | 8,842.38 |
| Road Fund | 7,517.73 |
| Interest | 1,111.54 |
| Cook Fire Protection | 2,573.50 |
| Pool income | 1,397.00 |
| Farmers' Coop | 16,000.00 |
| Misc. | <u>654.33</u> |
| | \$ 62,543.46 |

LIBRARY RECEIPTS (June)

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| County tax draw | \$2,777.50 |
| Misc. | <u>\$ 353.91</u> |
| | \$3,131.41 |

LIBRARY DISBURSEMENTS (June)

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| Salaries | \$1,795.10 |
| Utilities | 189.99 |
| Operating Exp. | <u>\$2,097.02</u> |
| | \$4,082.11 |

The Mayor presented a picture of the new proposed city entry signs. Nothing is finalized at this time. The proposal is very attractive. The first sign to be completed will be installed on the west side of town on the south side of the highway on the property of Lundell Plastics. Vance Lundell is sponsoring this sign.

Steve Hustedt was present to present bids for City health insurance. Different companies have different money saving options but not all the benefits remain intact. Following the presentation and discussion on the matter, it was moved by Flink and seconded by Hemphill to adopt Resolution #06.12 -renew the current policy (C7D). Four ayes.

Amy Stangl was present to request approval to do improvements in the Odebolt Pool Bathhouse. This project will help her complete the Girl Scout Bronze Award and her 4-H Citizen Project Award. She is hoping to achieve her goal by soliciting funds from private and business donation. Bengford commented that a former resident of Odebolt has offered to fund some of the things that Amy is requesting. The Council gave approval for the project and applauded her efforts. Amy is 11 years old.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to approve the following permits: (Four ayes.) Jay Brannan-deck & steps; Shannon Railsback-patio; Rod Schnuckel-dog kennel; Butch Hemphill-extend deck, tree and shrubs; Lois Purdy-replace sidewalk and driveway; Paul & Melinda Peters- kennel and patio (pending the One-Call).

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Scott to approve the Liquor License for Herby's Bar & Grill. Four ayes.

All citizens are reminded of the need to recycle as much as possible. The landfill fees for solid wastes have all risen. The City will be looking at raising the garbage fees.

At the recommendation to the Mayor by Museum members, it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to appoint Verna Mae Schwaller as Curator of the Museum. Four ayes.

Nuisances were discussed and some letters will be written.

The Library Board presented a request to downsize the Board from 9 to 7 members. They also requested that the length of terms be shortened from 6 to 4 years. This will be put to a vote of the people at the next City election in 2007. Moved by Flink and seconded by Bengford to accept the Library report. Four ayes.

ORDINANCE #03.06

An Ordinance regulating parking during snow removal.

69.10 SNOW REMOVAL No person shall park, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle on a public street, alley or City-owned off-street parking area of any day during the period of November 1 to April 1 when weather conditions consist of snow, sleet, ice and or/freezing rain.

It was moved by Council Member Hemphill that said ordinance be brought on for consideration, that the rules requiring that an ordinance must be received and filed at two meetings prior to the meeting when final action is taken, or if published in summary be received and filed at one meeting prior to the meeting of final action be dispensed with. Said motion was seconded by Council Member Flink. Four ayes-absent Hoefling. The Mayor then declared the motion carried by three-fourths vote, as required by the Statutes of Iowa, and the rules dispensed with. It was then moved by Council Member Hemphill

that said proposed ordinance be adopted and published as by law required. Said motion was seconded by Council Member Flink. Four ayes-absent Hoefling.

Moved by Flink and seconded Bengford to adopt Resolution #06.10- a resolution designating the placement of signs, at the four entries into town, regulating Jake Brakes and the dates of the snow ordinance. Four ayes -absent Hoefling.

The Police report was reviewed. Chief Henderson asked approval to upgrade his current Handgun & holster for an approximate cost of \$300.00. Moved by Flink and seconded by Bengford to purchase a new gun and to sell the current one. Four ayes.

Delinquency in water bills was discussed. Shut-offs will be ordered.

Supt. Bill Tysor reported that cleaning of the water tower will be taking place on short notice. The Contractors come when they are in the area. There may not be time to put a notice in the paper. Residents are asked to be alert to signs that will be posted. Garden meters were discussed. Residents will be allowed to install them at their own costs and then will be responsible for a minimum charge during the months they use them. It would be far too complicated, if not impossible, to monitor usage for “watering” on the regular meter. The original garbage truck contract did not materialize and a new truck has been ordered. It will take a couple of months to assemble. The company will give the City a loaner while they are working on the City truck. Installing a new valve for the new assisted Living is scheduled for Wednesday.

Supt. Tysor and Mayor Rex informed the Council of the proposed Pre-Construction Agreement between the Iowa DOT and the City of Odebolt. It had previously been reviewed by the Mayor, Supt. Bill Tysor and representatives of the IDOT. It was then moved by Bengford and seconded Scott to approve the Agreement. Four ayes.

The pool motor has had to be pulled two more times and hopefully will now make it through the season.

Bengford reviewed the pool inspection report and the response of Jeanette Fertig, the pool manager.

Correspondence included a thank you from the ODC for the City’s support for Creek Days and a thank you from the Odebolt Cemetery Board.

The Council wishes to advise parents of the youth summer ball that the City helps with the funding only. Parents will be responsible for finding coaches, etc.

At 8:50 p.m. it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Bengford to adjourn. All ayes.

R. J. Rex, Mayor

Attest:

Joan Godbersen
City Clerk