

CITY OF ODEBOLT – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

August 3, 2009 – CITY HALL 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Ron Rex called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Flink, Hoefling, Bengford, Hemphill, and Scott. Also present were: Kenneth Sorensen, Colleen Copeland and two minor sons, Don and Doreen Schmidtke, and Steve Hustedt. Elaine Rex was named clerk pro tem by the Mayor in the absence of City Clerk Joan Godbersen.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hemphill to approve the agenda; five ayes. Moved by Scott and seconded by Hoefling to approve the minutes of the July meeting; five ayes. Moved by Flink and seconded by Hoefling to approve the bills as presented; five ayes.

Ken Sorensen was present with concerns about the go-carts in his neighborhood on N. Main. The matter will be given attention by the sheriff's dept. One of the nuisance abatements sent last month was given a 2-3 week extension due to extenuating circumstances. Don and Doreen Schmidtke asked for relief concerning the upkeep of the 27 trees planted on the parking of their property on west 2nd street. They were assured that research would be done concerning these trees and the parking upkeep. They said that they would continue to mow as long as they were able.

Steve Hustedt presented the Employee Health Insurance quotes for next year. He stated that any changes to be made must be given to him by Aug. 18th. Flink moved seconded by Hemphill that the Employee Health Insurance be retained as is. Five ayes.

Bill Tysor said that the Lagoon Project is proceeding and that Neil Kiel will be present at the Sept. meeting for an up-date.

Moved by Bengford, seconded by Hoefling, Sparky's One Stop-class C Beer Permit was approved. Five ayes.

In the nuisance discussion dogs were still a topic. Some clean up on properties has been attempted. One letter on mowing property will be sent. One letter on nuisance to abate will be sent. Several may be invited to the next council meeting to make sure all parties understand their positions unless progress is made before the meeting..

An ordinance supplementing and amending the code of ordinances of the City of Odebolt, Iowa, by changing the terms of the five (5) city council members and the mayor for the City of Odebolt. Be it ordained by the City Council of Odebolt, Iowa: That Chapter 17.01 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Odebolt, Iowa, concerning the number and terms of Council, be supplemented and amended to read as stated. After full and complete discussion, it was moved by Council Member Flink 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 Hemphill. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

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 Flink that said proposed ordinance be adopted and published as by law required. Said motion was seconded by Council Member Hoefling. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

The Mayor then declared the ordinance duly adopted and in full force and effect from and after the publication of this ordinance, as required by law. Passed by the Council of the City of Odebolt, Iowa, the 3rd day of August, 2009. Signed by R. J. Rex, Mayor; attest to by Elaine Rex, Secretary Pro-tem.

The September Meeting date will be Tuesday Sept. 8, 2009, due to Labor Day.

Moved by Hoefling, seconded by Scott, to accept the Library Report. Five Ayes.

The County Police Report was reviewed.

Delinquent water bills were discussed. Disconnects will be forthcoming without payment of the bills.

The tennis court issue is on hold. The parking problem at Main and 2nd has been partially solved with bank employees parking on the north side of the bank. Discussion on holding local loose dogs was held. The present ordinance will be reviewed and adjustments may be made and presented at the next meeting. An incident at the pool was discussed and will be handled in an appropriate manner. The pool will close Aug. 18th. The recreation committee may make a few policy changes that will be presented at a later date. The bridge and 4 blocks have been fixed. The basketball backboards will be picked up from the school and mounted on the poles at the City Park. Mileage for Caroline of Buena Vista animal rescue was discussed and was tabled until the next meeting.

A thank you was extended to Larry and Joan Hoaglund for the donation to the swimming pool in memory of Arwana Hanson. A thank you letter from the Odebolt Development Corporation was read thanking the City for support during Creek Days. A letter was read to support the tennis courts from Rev. Mark and Jean Volkers. The Mayor wrote a letter in reply that was read to the council. A thank you from Coach Kris Schroeder was read for the City's support of the Major/Minor softball program.

August 24th is the first day nomination papers can be filed with the City Clerk for the upcoming City election.

At 8:45 p.m., it was moved by Bengford and seconded by Scott to adjourn. All ayes.

Mayor R. J. Rex

Elaine Rex, Clerk pro tem