

CITY OF ODEBOLT - REGULAR MEETING

February 6, 2006 - CITY HALL, 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Rex called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Flink, Hoefling, Bengford, Scott and Hemphill. Also in attendance were: Attorney Joe Heidenreich, Mark & Laura Stangl, Rachel Bendixen, Bonnie Ekse, Barb Horak, Joan Newman, Jon Schuttinga and Chief Bruce Henderson.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hemphill to approve the agenda. All ayes.  
Moved by Scott and seconded by Flink to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All ayes.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hoefling to approve the bills as presented: All ayes.

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Public Safety	\$ 17,418.51
Public Works	8,093.87
Health & Social	700.00
Culture/Rec.	120.64
Economic Development	50.00
Nuisances	340.20
General Gov.	3,297.45
Garbage	2,230.14
Recycling	1,270.70
Sewer	4,861.81
Water	5,382.39
Sales Tax	<u>727.00</u>
Total	\$44,492.71

JANUARY RECEIPTS

Utilities	\$20,802.90
Taxes	779.92
Road Fund	7147.12
Interest	849.50
Misc.	<u>1,126.70</u>
	\$30,706.14

LIBRARY RECEIPTS (Nov.)

Telephone Dividend	\$2,000.00
Misc.	<u>519.85</u>
	\$2,519.85

LIBRARY DISBURSEMENTS (Nov.)

Salaries	\$1,796.21
Utilities	224.95
Operating Exp.	<u>564.18</u>
	\$2,585.34

LIBRARY RECEIPTS (Dec.)

Misc. 468.02

LIBRARY DISBURSEMENTS (Dec.)

Salaries	\$1,737.74
Utilities	508.84
Operating Exp.	<u>934.28</u>
	\$3,180.86

City Attorney Heidenreich was present to inform the Council that the papers to abandon and vacate the bridge on Richland Ave. would be ready for the March meeting. He also informed the Council that a property on Locust Street will be deeded to the City following a lien search on the title.

Joan Newman, Rachel Bendixen, Mark & Laura Stangl were present to express their concerns about dangerous and troublesome dogs running at large. Following much discussion the Council concluded that the only solution was that citations shall be issued to owners who let their dogs run at large. If this does not produce the desired results further action shall be taken as is allowed by the City Code of Ordinance and Iowa law.

Jon Schuttinga from Odebolt Nursing and Rehab Center was present with questions concerning the Odebolt Assisted Living project. His first question was whether they needed just one pit or two plus the grinder and the second question was if the City would share the cost of the grinder. The Mayor requested the written plans for the project. The Council will further discuss the situation and then make a decision.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hemphill to approve the permit for Lundell Plastics for tree removal. All ayes.

Hemphill shared a report from the recycling center reporting on pounds of recycling produced by individual towns and another report showing "waste" percentage and also the financial report. Hemphill stated that Odebolt is doing a very good job of recycling, one of the better ones in the county. But there is room for improvement and articles not on the recyclable list should NOT be put out for recycling.

Nuisances were discussed and several abatement letters will be sent.

The Mayor introduced and welcomed our Webmasters, Barb Horak and Bonnie Ekse. He and the Council thanked them for the great job they are doing on the Odebolt Web Site. ([www.odebolt.net](http://www.odebolt.net))

As per previous discussions, upgrades are needed at the lagoon and it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to purchase the electric pump for \$28,023.00 to alleviate the problem at the sewer plant. All ayes.

Budget items were discussed and a budget workshop is set for Wednesday, February 15, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. Several areas of street repair were discussed.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Hoefling to adopt Resolution #02.06 setting the time and date of the budget hearing as follows: Monday, March 6, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. at City Hall. All ayes.

Moved by Bengford and seconded by Hoefling to accept the Library Reports as presented. All ayes.

The Police report was reviewed. Moved by Scott and seconded by Bengford to approve a secured Internet address for the department (for Law Enforcement only) so as to be able to network with other departments in a confidential manner. The cost would be approximately \$100.00 annually. All ayes.

Delinquent water bills were discussed. The necessary action will be taken.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to accept the low bid of \$49,015.00 from the EDM Equipment for a new garbage packer. All ayes.

Moved by Bengford and seconded by Flink to approve the bid of ACCO for repairs of gate valves for the pool at a cost of \$4,700.00. All ayes.

Putting a load limit on 2nd Street and creating a Truck Route was again discussed.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Swimming Pool through the Odebolt United Funds. Your support is appreciated.

At 8:58 p.m. it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Bengford to adjourn. All ayes.

R. J. Rex, Mayor

Attest:

Joan Godbersen

City Clerk