

CITY OF ODEBOLT - SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 14, 2010 - CITY HALL, 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Rex called the special meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Flink, Hoefling, Bengford, Scott and Hemphill. Also present: City Attorney Joe Heidenreich.

Agenda was posted timely and all Council had been properly notified. The purpose of the special meeting was to discuss policy that needs immediate attention. The first being communication by and among city employees. At one time the city had hand held radios, which have been discontinued because they seemed to be more of a hindrance rather than a help. During the recent windstorm and the fallen trees scenario there was a serious lack of communication.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Hoefling to upgrade the radios and put them back in use. All ayes.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to have each employee write up their job description. The Council will then review and critique and make the necessary changes.

It was then moved by Bengford and seconded by Hoefling to go into closed sessions as per rule 21.5i of the Code of Iowa. City Clerk Godbersen was dismissed at this time.

At 1900 hours a motion was made by Flink and seconded by Bengford to come out of closed session. Supt. Tysor and Clerk Godbersen were called to the meeting.

At 7:08 the regular meeting was called back into session.

Flink gave the following comments: The radios will be upgraded and put back in to use. A new line of daily communication shall be established. It shall remain City Policy that during snow removal, employees may have their drives cleaned by the street department. Job descriptions are a must.

It was mentioned by the Council that Supt. Tysor's work has been satisfactory. The Council stated that they know he is in a position to receive much unfavorable publicity and they understand. It was further stated that when he goes on vacation, he needs to do just that and enjoy his time away. He should not have to take calls concerning work. Hemphill stated that it is the goal of the Council to conduct City business as best we can and as smoothly as we can. A message sheet should be created so as to relay citizens concerns.

"We know you [Supt. Tysor] genuinely care about your job and the City. But when you are gone, someone needs to be able to get the job done."

Hemphill stated, "We go forward from here".

At 7:20 p.m. it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Scott to adjourn. All ayes.

R.J. Rex, Mayor

Joan Godbersen, City Clerk