

Minutes of the 9-8-15 Hampton City Council Workshop

The Hampton City Council held a workshop at 6:00 pm in city council chambers. Members present; Freie, Davies, Lukensmeyer and Hickman. Absent; Mayor Boehmler and Steve Harms. Also present were Mayor Pro-Tem Pralle, City Manager Ron Dunt, Public Works Director Doug Tarr and Police Chief Schaefer.

Public Comment: Barry Lamos, 215 3rd St. SE commenting on his opposition to the franchise fee's being considered by the council.

Due to a number of the city officials attending the Iowa League of Cities Conference, Ron recommends moving the September 24th council session to Monday, September 21st in place of the council workshop. Consensus was favorable.

Doug explained to the council that the water filtration cell which needs maintenance will need to be completed sooner than anticipated. The cost of repairs will be roughly \$65,000. Initially staff felt this could be budgeted in the next fiscal year but it is necessary to be completed this fall. The repair expenses will be included in the next budget amendment.

Ron reviewed the 2015 Street Finance Report and stated that the report will be considered for passage by resolution at the September 10th council session.

Ron explained that due to limited space in our storage room at city hall it is time to do periodic destruction to old records that are no longer required to be stored per Iowa Code 372.13(5). Consensus was favorable. This will be on the September 10th council agenda.

Ron updated the council on some items brought up at the 1st reading of Ordinance 360, Gas Franchise Agreement. Ron stated that the reference to Development Director has been changed to Public Works Director. The tree removal wording that was missing is not needed and the verbiage regarding MidAmerican certifying gross receipts up request was added under Section 13. The Cities attorney indicated that all of these items are made to be consistent with the electric franchise agreement, MidAmerican Energy is agreeable and the revisions do not affect the overall content of the original documents, so amendments are not necessary. Note that the revisions will be in the document for the 2nd reading of Ordinance 360.

Sue Wulf, Franklin County Extension requested the council consider signing a letter of support for an application to the Community Visioning Transportation Enhancement Program through the IDOT. After much discussion the consensus of the council was favorable and will be placed on the September 10th agenda for consideration.

Meeting concluded at 6:39pm.