The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on February 17, 2014. A quorum was declared by Mayor Deb De Haan. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 125 Central Ave SE, Orange City, Iowa.

Members Present: Council members Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Mick Snieder, and Earl Woudstra

Members Absent: None

Staff: Duane Feekes, Janet Brown, Mark Gaul, Bryan Gerritson, Kent Anderson, and Ken Meendering

Guests: Doug Calsbeek, John Slegers, Mike Hofman, Bill Kepp, and Tony Vande Brake

Agenda: A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman approving the tentative agenda as the official agenda. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Mick Snieder, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the February 3, 2014 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Steve Roesner and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Mick Snieder, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

<u>Financial Report</u>: The monthly financial report for January 2014, representing cash balances for all funds was presented, whereupon it was therefore moved by Council member Earl Woudstra and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman approving the monthly financial report as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Earl Woudstra, Chad Oolman, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, Mick Snieder; NAYS: None.

Monthly Bills: A Summary of Warrants report listing bills from January 21, 2014 through February 17, 2014 was presented. A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Mick Snieder approving the monthly bills, subject to audit. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Mick Snieder, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

## 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Budget:

This being the time and place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the 2014-2015 fiscal year budget. The Mayor called for comments from members of the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed budget. The City Administrator reported that no written objections had been filed. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Steve Roesner and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman adopting a resolution approving the 2014-2015 fiscal year budget. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Steve Roesner, Chad Oolman, Rod De Boer, Mick Snieder, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None The resolution was assigned number 2-17-14-1609 and appears in the official resolution book.

Water Rate Ordinance: A motion was made by Council member Earl Woudstra and duly seconded by Council member Steve Roesner approving the second reading of proposed Ordinance No. 775, an ordinance increasing the water rates by 15%. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Earl Woudstra, Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Mick Snieder; NAYS: None.

<u>Wastewater Rate Ordinance</u>: A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman approving the second reading of proposed Ordinance No. 776, an ordinance increasing the wastewater rates by 10%. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Mick Snieder, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Resolution Ordering Bids, Approving Plans, Specifications and Form of Contract and Related Matters for the 2014 Downtown Street Improvements: A motion was made by Council member Mick Snieder and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman adopting a

resolution ordering bids, approving plans, specifications and form of contract and related matters for the 2014 Downtown Street Improvements. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Mick Snieder, Chad Oolman, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 2-17-14-1610 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 13.

Resolution Accepting Electric Distribution System Improvements for the Orange City Municipal Utilities: A motion was made by Council member Steve Roesner and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman adopting a resolution accepting the Electric Distribution System Improvements. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Steve Roesner, Chad Oolman, Rod De Boer, Mick Snieder, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 2-17-14-1611 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 11.

Orange City Development Corporation Assistance: Since the Orange City Development Corporation has taken over the old Bomgaars building they have discovered asbestos in the building and they are looking for financial assistance in the removal and for some renovations for a new occupant. The anticipated costs are \$193,000 (\$133,000 for asbestos removal and \$60,000 for Dutch front and other renovations). City Administrator Duane Feekes recommended funding of \$100,000 from the Electric Fund, \$43,000 from the Gas Fund, and \$50,000 of budgeted Dutch Front funds. Also discussed was assistance from development funds in the General Fund for some carrying/operational costs related to loan interest, property taxes and building insurance for an estimated amount of \$46,000. A motion was made by Council member Earl Woudstra and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving funding of \$100,000 from the Electric Fund and up to \$43,000 from the Gas Fund, along with the budgeted \$50,000 of Dutch Front funds, along with assistance for carrying/operational costs, estimated at \$46,000 from the General Fund. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Earl Woudstra, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Mick Snieder; NAYS: None.

## Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings:

March 3 Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

March 17 Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

April 7 Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

April 21 Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Customer Appreciation Picnic

Oral Reports: Duane shared that they are still waiting to hear back from Vision Iowa on the grant for Dunlop Pond. Bryan reported that there may be some lawns that need to be reseeded this spring from the Electric Distribution System Improvements.

<u>Council Comments</u>: The Mayor called for comments from the Council and the following were heard. Steve Roesner questioned if someone was working with the homeowners concerning the Frankfort Place extension. Duane responded that Bryan is. Steve also questioned the Orange City Communications outage on Sunday and expressed to the public that the Council is just as frustrated with them and has been working with their partner, Long Lines, for over a year on the issues with the service provided. Steve would also like to see a progress report from the Chamber with the staff of three now. Mike Hofman responded that Julia is doing well. Earl extended an invitation to meet the new golf pro, Cody Peters.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Mick Snieder, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 5:21 o'clock P.M.

	Deb De Haan, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Janet Brown, City Clerk	_	