

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on January 23, 2017. 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, Tony Vande Brake, and Earl Woudstra

Members Absent: None

Staff: Janet Brown, Duane Feekes, Kent Anderson, Mark Gaul, Bryan Gerritson, and Kurt Frederes

Guests: Doug Calsbeek, John Slegers, Bob Hulstein, Mike Hofman, Aaron Haverdink, Amanda Vazquez, Pat Van Gelder, Janine Calsbeek, Terry Mouw, Jim Schaap, Jeff Guthmiller, Seth Vander Weide, Jodie Vander Zwaag, Val Stokes, Kris McDonald, Mere Reyes, Grace Kohnke, Cathy Gable, and Kristyn Howe

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

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the December 19, 2016 and January 12, 2017 council meetings were presented. A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Steve Roesner approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Financial Report: The monthly financial report for December 2016, representing cash balances for all funds was presented, whereupon it was therefore moved by Council member Rod De Boer 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: Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Monthly Bills: A Summary of Warrants report listing bills from December 20, 2016 through January 23, 2017 was presented. A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving the monthly bills, subject to audit. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Puddle Jumper Trail 6th Addition: This being the time and place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the partial vacation of Puddle Jumper Trail 6th Addition. The Mayor called for comments from members of the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed vacation. The City Administrator reported no written objections were 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 Rod De Boer adopting a resolution approving the partial vacation of Puddle Jumper Trail 6th Addition. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Tony Vande Brake, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 1-23-17-1769 and appears in the official resolution book.

Puddle Jumper Trail 8th Addition: This being the time and place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the final plat of the Puddle Jumper Trail 8th Addition. The Mayor called for comments from members of the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed plat. The City Administrator reported that no written objections were filed. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Earl Woudstra and duly seconded by Council member Steve Roesner adopting a resolution accepting the final plat of Puddle Jumper Trail 8th Addition. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Earl Woudstra, Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 1-23-17-1770 and appears in the official resolution book.

Budget Requests: Appearing before the Council with budget requests were representatives from the Arts Council, Chamber, Tulip Festival, Dutch Heritage Boosters, Landsmeer Golf, and Library. No official action was taken.

Department Reports: This time was provided for Kurt Frederes representing Zoning and Code Enforcement to discuss with the Council accomplishments and priorities of his department as the Council prepares for budget time. No official action was taken.

Seeking Unity – A Community Conversation: Kris Mc Donald appeared before the Council representing a group of citizens interested in holding a forum to discuss our community as welcoming. The groups thoughts are as follows: “How as a city do we welcome outsiders in our community (both Latino and Anglo -- we both know that OC can be a lonely place for people who move here from, say, the East Coast and who have no family connections, etc.)? If the city hasn’t done anything specifically on a city level to address this, is there something that might come from this forum to promote a healthy community? Primarily, I think that Latinos would like to hear that there are folks at the city government level that truly want our city to be welcoming, and are setting a tone of acceptance and a desire to work together to create healthy community across cultures.” The committee would like to have Mayor De Haan present at the forum to make a statement that acknowledges Orange City as welcoming and accepting of others. No official action was taken.

Liquor License Application: A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman approving the application for a Special Class C Liquor License as submitted by 88 Chinese Restaurant, due to new ownership of the business. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Beer Permit Renewal Application: A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Steve Roesner approving the renewal application for a Class C Beer Permit as submitted by Dollar General. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Liquor License Renewal Applications: A motion was made by Council member Chad Oolman and duly seconded by Council member Tony Vande Brake approving the renewal applications for Class C Liquor Licenses as submitted by the Blue Mountain, along with their license for the Prairie Winds Event Center. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Chad Oolman, Tony Vande Brake, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Tax Abatement Applications: A motion was made by Council member Steve Roesner and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving the tax abatement applications to be forwarded on to the County Assessor for determination of qualification. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Chad Oolman, Tony Vande Brake, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None.

Sioux County Regional Airport Agency Board Designees: A motion was made by Council member Earl Woudstra and duly seconded by Council member Chad Oolman approving the Sioux County Regional Airport Agency Board Designees of Duane Feekes, Daryl Beltman, and Mark Vogel. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Earl Woudstra, Chad Oolman, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings:

January 30	Special Council Meeting, 4:00 P.M., General Fund Budget
February 6	Council Meeting, 4:00 P.M., Regular Meeting and Utilities Budget
February 20	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
March 6	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
March 20	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Duane provided a fire station update; received the planning session report. Mike Hofman reported that Ragbrai planning is already taking place; website is ragbrai.orangecityiowa.com.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and none were heard.

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, Tony Vande Brake, Earl Woudstra; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 6:28 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janet Brown, City Clerk