

Council Meeting
September 9, 2015

The City Council met in special session pursuant to adjournment at 12:00 o'clock P.M. on September 9, 2015. A quorum was declared by Mayor Deb De Haan. The meeting was held at Prairie Winds Event Center, 908 8th Street 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, Kent Anderson, and Bryan Gerritson

Guests: None

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.

Strategic Planning: The Council reviewed the latest proposed fire station. Also, discussed longevity of City Hall, remodeling City Hall to give the Police Department more space instead of including them with the proposed fire station, possible other items to renovate in City Hall. Chad Oolman also questioned if it would be more cost effective to add an addition of two larger bays along with office space, storage, etc. to the south of the current four bay station instead of completely renovating the existing building. Mick Snieder would like to see a second building option not just reiterations of the first plan. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to ask the Fire Department for a second building option, one that would utilize existing space more effectively, engage an architect to redesign City Hall to give the Police Department more space and consider any other item to help sell a bond issue. The goal would be to have a special election in March 2016 with the Council having completed necessary action in December to allow the Fire Department time to promote the bond issue. The bond issue would be for \$2.6 million, the Fire Department fundraising \$250,000, funding the Police Department renovations with cash on hand. No official action was taken.

Council member Earl Woudstra left the meeting at 1:40 o'clock P.M.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Mick Snieder to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Mick Snieder, Chad Oolman, Steve Roesner; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 1:44 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janet Brown, City Clerk