

July 15, 2013

The regular meeting of the Decorah City Council was called to order by Mayor Don Arendt at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Jody Niess, Paul Wanless, Carolyn Corbin, Randy Schissel, Gary Rustad, and Rachel Vagts.

Motion by Schissel, second by Niess to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Vagts, second by Schissel, to approve items on the consent agenda as follows:

- a. Minutes of the July 1, 2013 meeting
- b. Claims
- c. Renewal Special Class C Beer/Wine License for Koreana including Sunday Sales
- d. New Class C Liquor License for Corner Bar including Sunday Sales
- e. Outdoor Service Area privilege for T-Bocks
- f. **PPE #11** in the amount of \$75,719.41 for the 2012 Short Street Improvements Project

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Rustad, to approve the C-3 Design application for property located at 216 West Water Street. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Vagts, second by Corbin to approve the reappointments of Susan Jacobsen and Sondra Carver to the Historic Preservation Commission for three year terms, expiring on 6/30/16. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Rustad, second by Vagts, to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1154 re-specifying sidewalk specifications and construction responsibilities of the City and abutting property owners. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Corbin, second by Vagts, to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1155 amending Chapter 13.20 regarding water rates. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Corbin, second by Vagts to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1156 amending Chapter 13.28 regarding sewer rates. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Rustad, second by Wanless to table the first reading of Ordinance 1157 amending Chapter 12.20 regarding sidewalk displays until the August 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Attorney Zahasky stated the council needed to approve a candidate for the vacant 1<sup>st</sup> Ward by a quorum of the existing council, or with 4 votes for one candidate. The candidates were Randy Schissel, Council member for 5<sup>th</sup> Ward and Jarred Walter. Jarred and Randy each gave a brief background of themselves and reasons why they would like to serve as 1<sup>st</sup> Ward council member.

Votes were made by paper ballot and counted by City Adm. Chad Bird. The council took two separate ballots, but did not reach 4 votes for one candidate.

The votes were as follows for each ballot:  
Voting for Randy Schissel – Niess, Wanless, and Rustad.  
Voting for Jarred Walter – Corbin and Vagts.

Moved by Rustad, second by Vagts to have a special council meeting on July 23, 2103 at 7:30 p.m. to consider the appointment of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Council position. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned on motion.

Debbie Cook  
Deputy City Clerk