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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BURLINGTON, IOWA CITY COUNCIL

Meeting No. 3
February 3, 2020

The Burlington City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the Thomas J. Smith Council Chambers, City Hall with Mayor Billups, Council Members Critser, Maupin and Rinker present. Council Member Graham-Murray was absent.

BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

MEDALS OF MERIT:

- * Police Officer Jacob Jenkins
- * Police Officer Kegan Jacobson
- * Police Officer Tyler Henning

PROCLAMATION:

- * 2019 Police Officer of the Year: Police Officer Tyler Henning

CONSENT AGENDA: To the Public:

All matters listed under Item I., Consent Agenda, having been discussed were considered to be routine by the City Council and were enacted by one motion. There was no separate discussion of these items. If discussion was desired, that item was removed from the Consent Agenda and was considered separately.

Introduced By: Rinker

Seconded By: Critser

MOTION: To approve all items listed under Item I., Consent Agenda.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Billups reviewed the items listed on the consent agenda to the viewing audience. He further announced those individuals appointed to various City commissions and boards. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

CARRIED

ORDINANCE:

Introduced By: Rinker

Seconded By: Critser

1. Motion for Final Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the Mayor and Council Compensation Provisions of the City of Burlington, Iowa, Code of Ordinances

DISCUSSION: Chris Roepke of 2228 Madison Avenue stated that he had sent a letter to the City Council suggesting a different formula for the Council’s compensation by using a percentage of the median household income for the City of Burlington. Former Mayor Shane A. McCampbell of 2112 Mason Road stated that the City Council had not had an increase in their compensation for two decades. He stated that it was not selfish and the City Council should not fold under pressure by those that do not want the Council to have an increase in their compensation. He urged the Council to do the right thing. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 3 - “AYES” Rinker, Billups and Critser

1 - “NAYS” Maupin)

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS:

Introduced By: Critser

Seconded By: Rinker

1. Resolution Approving Contract for North End of the Depot

DISCUSSION: The Assistant City Manager for Public Works stated that following discussion back in November of 2019 about the potential use by the Senior Center group to use the north end of the Depot, the City Council had approved a budget of \$35,000.00. He reviewed the list of items that would be done with the \$35,000.00 to the north end of the depot. Mayor Billups stated that he sits on the Senior Citizen’s Board and the senior citizens have opted to stay at their present location verses moving to the north end of the Depot. He urged the City Council to vote no on approving the contract for the north end of the Depot. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 4 - “NAYS” Maupin, Rinker, Billups and Critser)

FAILED

Introduced By: Critser

Seconded By: Billups

2. Resolution Approving 2020 Community Catalyst Building Remediation Grant Agreement with the Iowa Economic Development Authority for the Project at 300 Washington Street

DISCUSSION: The Development and Parks Director stated that the City was awarded from the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) a grant with Downtown Partners, Inc., as the sub-recipient of the program for work to the building at 300 Washington Street. Steve Frevert, Executive Director of Downtown Partners, Inc., stated that he can’t wait to get started on the project at 300 Washington Street. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 4 - “AYES”)

APPROVED

Introduced By: Maupin

Seconded By: Rinker

3. Resolution Approving Agreement to Extend Planning Option for the Riverfront Property at and North of 200 North Front Street (Burlington Memorial Auditorium)

DISCUSSION: The City Manager stated that the proposed Resolution approves an extension to the planning option agreement with Ryan Jensen for due diligence of redevelopment the riverfront property (Memorial Auditorium site). All present had opportunity to speak and

nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.
(VOTE: 3 - “AYES” Rinker, Billups and Critser
1 - “NAY” Maupin)

APPROVED

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE: Terri Arellano of 2800 South Main Street invited the City Council to attend the Friends of Cascade Bridge meeting at Farmers and Merchants Bank and Trust, Room 216 on Thursday, February 6, 2020 to hear the proposal and budgets by Workin’ Bridges to preserve and rehabilitate Cascade Bridge for pedestrian and vehicle crossing. Freddie Starling of 517 South 7th Street thanked the City Council for their support of the Martin Luther King Jr. celebration. He stated that February was Black History Month and he invited the Council to attend a breakfast on February 15, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Faith Temple Church. He stated that the theme was “Better Together.” Former Mayor Shane A. McCampbell thanked the City Council for passing the Ordinance Amending the Mayor and Council Compensation Provisions of the City of Burlington, Iowa, Code of Ordinances. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Adjournment: 6:06 p.m.

Approved: February 18, 2020

Kathleen P. Salisbury, MMC
City Clerk

Jon D. Billups
Mayor

(See recording on file in the office of the City Clerk for complete discussion and documentation.)

ITEM I.
Consent Agenda

FINANCES AND MISCELLANEOUS

Minutes of Previous Meetings
Payroll and City Claims

BEER, LIQUOR, WINE AND CIGARETTES

REPORTS AND BONDS

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution Approving Final Acceptance and Release of Retention Monies for the 2019 Aspen and Dill Reconstruction Project
2. Resolution Approving Nuisance Abatements for Various Properties
3. Resolution Approving the Purchase of a Commercial Dishwasher for Lab Glassware from Midland Scientific, Inc. of Nebraska
4. Resolution Approving Lease Agreement with the Des Moines County Historical Society for Hawkeye Log Cabin in Crapo Park

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Consideration of Sale of Lot 3 of Park View Subdivision, Burlington, Iowa, with Conditions (February 18, 2020)
2. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Maximum Property Tax Dollars for the City of Burlington (February 18, 2020)
3. Consideration of Plans and Specifications for the 2020 Dankwardt Park Tennis Courts Repair Project (March 2, 2020)
4. Consideration of 2020 Amendment to Urban Renewal Plan for Burlington Consolidated Urban Renewal Area Related to Use of Incremental Property Tax Revenues (March 2, 2020)
5. Consideration of a Development Agreement with Merge, LLC, Including Annual Appropriation Tax Increment Payments in an Amount Not to Exceed \$2,000,000 (March 2, 2020)

APPOINTMENTS:

Tree Advisory Board: David Hazell and Robert Walker
Human Rights Commission: Bob Fleming
Renewable Energy Committee: Kjrsten Bobb