

## MINUTES OF THE FAIRFIELD CITY COUNCIL

July 23, 2012

The Fairfield City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 23, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Malloy presiding. Members present were: Hamilton, Rasmussen, Revolinski, Silvers, Hammes, and Halley. Boyer was absent.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Hamilton, seconded by Rasmussen

AYES: Hamilton, Rasmussen, Halley, Hammes, Revolinski, Silvers

**TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 9,  
2012 REGULAR MEETING.**

**TO APPROVE A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR  
TORINO'S PIZZA & STEAKHOUSE.**

**TO APPROVE A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR  
BEST WESTERN FAIRFIELD.**

**TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2917  
APPROVING PART TIME EMPLOYMENT  
TO BRANDON BUCH AS A FIREFIGHTER.**

**TO APPROVE OPERATING CLAIMS IN  
THE AMOUNT OF \$622,589.95.**

Boyer arrived at 7:04 p.m.

### PUBLIC FORUM/APPEARANCES

Simon Davis appeared before the City Council to present a petition to the City Council to stop all wireless radio meter installations and have the opt-out radio meter for zero cost.

No action was taken.

Daryn Hamilton stated he would like approval for the annual Kid's Day parade on Saturday, September 15.

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Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Hammes

AYES: Rasmussen, Hammes, Silvers, Revolinski, Halley, Boyer

ABSTAIN: Hamilton

**TO APPROVE THE PARADE ROUTE AND FESTIVITIES  
FOR THE ANNUAL KIWANIS KIDS DAY ON SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 15.**

RESOLUTIONS, ACTION ITEMS & ORDINANCES

Moved by Hamilton, seconded by Halley

AYES: Hamilton, Halley, Boyer, Revolinski, Silvers, Hammes, Rasmussen

**TO AWARD THE 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET RECONSTRUCTION  
PROJECT TO SHIPLEY CONTRACTING OF BURLINGTON,  
IOWA AS RECOMMENDED BY ENGINEER, MELANIE  
CARLSON.**

Moved by Boyer, seconded by Hamilton

AYES: Boyer, Hamilton, Rasmussen, Hammes, Silvers, Revolinski, Halley

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2918  
AUTHORIZING PART TIME EMPLOYMENT  
IN THE PARK & REC DEPARTMENT.**

GOLDEN MANHOLE AWARD PRESENTATION

Former Wastewater Superintendent, Ken Goering, presented the Golden Manhole Award to the City of Fairfield and to Street Superintendent, Darrel Bisgard, at this time.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Malloy stated that due to the recent drowning of Jesse Harl, the beach at Waterworks Park had been closed while family and friends grieved. He stated that while this was a tragedy, he hoped that the citizens of Fairfield all learned that safety is extremely important. He stated he had received several requests to re-open the lake for swimming and he is recommending to the City Council that the swimming area to re-opened at this time.

Councilmember Rasmussen stated she was against opening the beach because of safety reasons and health concerns.

Several members from the Police Department, Fire Department, and Jefferson County Sheriff's Department all spoke against reopening the beach. They all stated they are not trained for water rescue and they felt helpless at the recent drowning scene. Family members and friends screamed at them to enter the water and there wasn't anything they could do. Josh Tarrence stated that whenever anyone goes under in that lake, it would be a recovery mission not a rescue mission. The water is cloudy and it is impossible to see.

Several beach goers spoke in favor of opening the swimming once again. They all expressed their sympathy toward the family of the drowning victim, but stated they are all swimming at their own risk. They all stated they understand the risks but feel it is a wonderful place in Fairfield to swim.

Moved by Boyer, seconded by Revolinski

AYES: Boyer, Revolinski, Halley, Hammes, Silvers

NAYS: Rasmussen

ABSTAIN: Hamilton

**TO RE-OPEN THE SWIMMING AREA AT THE  
FAIRFIELD WATERWORKS PARK AND NOTE  
THE SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK SIGNS ARE  
STILL POSTED.**

#### COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

Moved by Hammes, seconded by Halley

AYES: Hammes, Halley, Hamilton, Rasmussen, Silvers, Revolinski, Boyer

**TO NAME THE WETLANDS AFTER JACK  
EASTMAN AS RECOMMENDED BY THE  
PROPERTY COMMITTEE.**

#### ADMINISTRATOR & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Administrator, Kevin Flanagan, reported to the City Council that he was working with Midwest Recycling Center of Crystal City, Missouri about having a satellite office here in Fairfield. He stated they are interested in the donated building on 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. They would like to lease the building for \$1.00/year for 2 years while they do improvements. The third year, they would pay \$15,000.00 for the building and ask for a tax abatement on the improvements to the building. Flanagan stated this business would create approximately 5 jobs and would be beneficial to our community.

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Councilmember Boyer questioned that if the building is valued at \$95,000.00, why would the City sell it for \$15,000.00?

Mayor Malloy stated that the \$95,000.00 is definitely generous and that the inside of the building needs a lot of work.

Moved by Hammes, seconded by Halley

AYES: Hammes, Halley, Hamilton, Silvers, Boyer, Rasmussen, Revolinski

**TO ACCEPT THE OFFER FROM MIDWEST  
RECYCLING CENTER TO LEASE THE CITY  
OWNED BUILDING ON 23<sup>RD</sup> STREET FOR  
A 2 YEAR PERIOD FOR \$1.00 PER YEAR.**

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Revolinski, seconded by Hamilton

AYES: Revolinski, Hamilton, Rasmussen, Boyer, Silvers, Halley, Hammes

**TO ADJOURN AT 8:35 P.M.**

Submitted by:

Joy Messer  
City Clerk