

**CITY OF WALCOTT
WALCOTT CITY HALL
MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017**

The semi-monthly meeting of the City Council of Walcott, Iowa, was held on Monday, the 3rd day of April, 2017, at Walcott City Hall. Mayor John Kostichek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were: Tim Koehler, Virgil Wayne Latimer, Lisa Mengler, Jackie Puck, and Jacob Puck. Absent: None. City employees present: Jeff Blake, Jackie Huston, Lisa Rickertsen, Tom Schirman, and Paul Stagg.

Approval of Agenda. Mengler moved and Latimer seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Public Comments. John Brockmann reported there is a pot hole by the bank. Randy Moeller questioned when the water would be turned on at the parks and mowing the soccer field at Watertower Park.

Consent Agenda. Jackie Puck moved and Latimer seconded to approve the consent agenda including the invoices, minutes from March 20, 2017, and beer permits for Walcott Unified Fund (including Sunday license and outdoor area) for Wescott and Victory Parks. Motion carried.

Larry Koberg – Fastpitch Tournaments. Larry Koberg reported there will be three fastpitch softball tournaments this summer. The Fastpitch Invitational will be held May 26th – 28th, the Iowa Area ISC Qualifier Men's Fastpitch Tournament will be from June 16th – 18th, and the third tournament is scheduled July 21st – 23rd. Koberg requested approval to install temporary fencing at Wescott Park from May 24th – July 24th and at Victory Park for the June tournament. Mengler moved and Jacob Puck seconded to allow temporary fences to be installed at Wescott Park from May 24th - July 24th and at Victory Park for the June tournament. Motion carried.

Hearts & Hands Foundation – Community Organization Sign. Austin Burt presented information on the proposed community organization sign that will be located on Main Street, adjacent to Casey's. Burt stated that due to a large donation from the Richard (Dick) Hagen family, the sign will be dedicated in Hagen's memory. The sign will have an electronic message center, stone columns to match the entrance signs at North Main Street, and black aluminum trellises for community organization signs. Burt stated the information for the electronic message center could be inputted by the Hearts & Hands Foundation and the City by cell phones or by line of sight from Burt Clinic, pursuant to future guidelines. The City will be responsible for maintenance of the sign and landscaping upkeep. Burt questioned if the City would contribute money towards the project. This request will be listed on the next agenda. Puck moved and Koehler seconded to allow Hearts & Hands Foundation to proceed with the sign as proposed. Motion carried.

Utility Right-of-Way Applications. Rickertsen stated both applications are for installing fiber optic in the public right-of-way (ROW). Central Scott Telephone Company will be coming from the north, within County limits to Sterling Drive. Stagg reported the County has approved their permit in County ROW. Koehler moved and Jacob Puck seconded to approve the utility permit application from Central Scott Telephone for installing fiber optic in the ROW on Sterling Drive. Motion carried. Century Link will be coming from Exit 284, along Plainview Road to Sterling Drive. This permit application must be submitted to the Iowa DOT for their approval. Mengler moved and Latimer seconded to approve the utility permit application from Century Link for expanding their services in the ROW on the east side of Plainview Road to and along Sterling Drive. Motion carried.

Fireworks Permit for Truckers Jamboree Display on July 13th & 14th. Mengler moved and Jacob Puck seconded to approve the fireworks permit for the Truckers Jamboree display on July 13th and 14th at the Iowa 80 Truckstop. Motion carried.

Main Street Flower Baskets. Rickertsen reported on the research and updated costs received from vendors for the hanging baskets on the decorative light poles. Discussion was held on the basket size and audience members questioned utilizing artificial flowers. Following further discussion, Mengler moved and Jackie Puck seconded to proceed with purchasing 56 hanging flower baskets from Blooming Ideas in Wilton, at a cost not to exceed \$3,346. Motion carried. This cost includes the hanging baskets, coco liner, flowers, soil, and labor. Rickertsen stated Walcott Day Committee had previously donated \$3,200 towards the flower baskets.

Ordinance 492-17, Amending Chapter 165 Pertaining to Signs. Koehler moved and Jacob Puck seconded to approve the second reading of Ordinance 492-17. Roll call ayes: Koehler, Jacob Puck, Latimer, Mengler, and Jackie Puck. Motion carried. This ordinance will allow electronic, freestanding, and monument signs in all commercial and industrial zoning classifications.

Resolution 2017-17, Approving Site Plan for Dollar General at 1113 N. Main Street. Koehler moved and Latimer seconded to approve Resolution 2017-17, as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Public Works Department Report. Stagg reported the Main Street bridge will be closed for repairs sometime during the last week of April. He also reported on other upcoming street repairs, including pot holes. He stated the water will be turned on at the parks after a few leaks are repaired and he presented the timeline of events regarding issues with well #5, as requested, to the Council.

Mayor's Report. Mayor Kostichek stated he proclaimed April 6th as JA Day, as an opportunity to recognize and celebrate Junior Achievement of the Heartland for inspiring and preparing young people to succeed in a global economy.

Council Member Comments. Mengler thanked the Hearts & Hands Foundation members for their contribution to the community.

Mengler moved and Jacob Puck seconded to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. Motion carried. All votes on motions were unanimous, unless noted.



Mayor John Kostichek



Lisa Rickertsen, City Clerk

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ALLIANT UTILITIES	SERVICES	1,933.06
ARP INSURANCE	ANNUAL INSURANCE PREMIUM	82,213.00
B & D AUTOMOTIVE INC.	PARTS	159.81
BI-STATE REGIONAL COMM.	QRTLTY MEMBERSHIP DUES	275.50
COMDATA	CC CHARGES	3,066.89
COMMERCIAL PRINTERS	PWD SHIRTS & JACKETS	495.00
COVE EQUIPMENT	FILTERS	122.14
DICK-N- SONS LUMBER INC.	SUPPLIES	28.87
FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION	ANNUAL TRAINING TRAILER	300.00
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS	738.30
IOWA 80 GROUP	DIESEL & FUEL	154.67
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL	PERMIT FEE - SPLASH PAD	85.00
KREBS, NEAL	MEDICAL REIMB	25.00
LINWOOD MINING & MAT.	COULNTY CLASS D	2,731.26
MAYBERRY, BRIAN	MEDICAL REIMB	104.80
MEDIACOM	SERVICES	145.92
MISCELLANEOUS VENDOR	HAINES, GARREN :US REFUND	45.76
ORKIN	SERVICES	71.47
OTTO, KATHY	CLEANING SERVICES	120.00
RACOM CORPORATION	SQUAD PRINTERS & INSTALL	801.10
SHEEDER HEATING & AIR COND	TUBE HEATER AT WWTP	2,900.00
SIEBEL, JODY	MEDICAL REIMB	3,332.71
TOTAL		99,850.26
PAYROLL		29,399.12
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES		129,249.38
FUND TOTALS		
GENERAL		73,218.04
SPLASH PAD RESERVE		85.00
FORFEITURE FUNDS		801.10
ROAD USE TAX		2,731.26
WATER UTILITY		19,504.61
UTILITY DEPOSIT FUND		45.76
SEWER UTILITY		32,566.78
SOLID WASTE		296.83
TOTAL		129,249.38