

The second meeting of April for the Denver City Council, Bremer County, Iowa was held on Monday April 18, 2016 at the Denver City Hall Council Chambers. Council members present were Jeremie Peterson, Mark Richmann, Mary Scharnhorst and Joel Wikner. There were eight people in attendance.

Mayor Diercks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion Richmann, second Scharnhorst to approve the agenda. AYES: Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

Motion Wikner, second Peterson to approve the minutes of April 4, 2016. AYES: Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

During Public Forum Joel Teetzen asked if the City was going to notify property owners by letter that their property would be included in the upcoming Sidewalk Project. Mayor Diercks informed Mr. Teetzen that property owners included in the Sidewalk Project would be notified once the surveyor has elevations and the Engineer has designed how the sidewalks will fit on the lot. Mr. Teetzen felt a meeting with property owners should be done now so property owners can plan for the cost of the sidewalk. Councilman Wikner told Mr. Teetzen that the City has to get all the information about the Sidewalk Project in order to properly answer homeowner's questions.

The City Council received five Letters of Interest from Citizens who are interested in filling Dave Larson's City Council Seat. The five Interested Citizens were Christopher Cappussi, Randy Gloede, Derek Gustafson, Kelly Miller, and Randy Thrum. Randy Gloede withdrew from consideration before the Council Meeting. Mayor Diercks asked questions of each applicant about why they were interested in serving on the City Council, their background, and how they would deal with the issue of sidewalks. Councilman Richmann thanked all four applicants for their willingness to serve on the City Council.

Motion Scharnhorst, second Richmann to appoint Derek Gustafson to fill the Unexpired Term of Office of City Councilman until January 2, 2018. AYES: Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst. NAYS: Wikner.

Mayor Diercks and the City Council Members thanked the four applicants for coming forward and willing to serve their community.

Larry Farley administered the Oath of Office to Derek Gustafson. Councilman Gustafson then proceeded to take his seat at the City Council Table.

Motion Peterson, second Wikner to Close the Regular Meeting and Open the Public Hearing for consideration of the Two-Mile Agreement with Bremer County. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None. The Public Hearing was opened at 7:28 p.m.

During the Public Hearing Zoning Administrator Randy McKenzie was present and he informed the Council that no changes to the Two-Mile Agreement had been made since its last adoption five years ago. The Bremer County Board of Supervisors plan on approving the Two-Mile Agreement on April 25, 2016. Larry Farley said on written or oral comments were submitted to City Hall regarding the Two-Mile Agreement.

Motion Richmann, second Peterson to Close the Public Hearing and Re-Open the Regular Meeting. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None. The Public Hearing Closed at 7:31 p.m.

Motion Wikner, second Richmann to approve Resolution No. 31-2016 the Two-Mile Agreement between the City of Denver and Bremer County. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

Motion Scharnhorst, second Richmann to approve Resolution No. 33-2016 to Set Date for a Public Hearing on May 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers to Consider Street Vacation and Transfer of Property to Larson Properties II, LLC. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

Councilman Peterson and Larry Farley updated the City Council on the Tree Board Meeting. The Tree Board has identified numerous areas where trees should be planted. The area between Midway Ave and Highlands is one area in need of trees and along streets. Arborist Rene Valverde is looking into obtaining tree whips from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for free and starting a nursery by the Sewer Plant Site. The Council preferred the Tree Board Members planting trees instead of using the tree spade because of the cost difference.

Motion Wikner, second Richmann to approve the Denver American Legion request to hold the Memorial Day Parade on May 30, 2016 starting at 10:00 a.m. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

Motion Peterson, second Richmann to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance No. 1-2016 Amending Chapter 13.04.370 of the Municipal Code of the City of Denver, Iowa and increasing the Water Rates effective June 2016 and due and payable in July of 2016. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

Motion Wikner, second Scharnhorst to waive the 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Ordinance No. 1-2016 Amending Chapter 13.04.370 of the Municipal Code of the City of Denver, Iowa and increasing the Water Rates effective June 2016 and due and payable in July of 2016. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

Motion Peterson, second Scharnhorst to postpone Resolution No. 32-2016 the Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for Maintenance and Repair of Primary Roads in Municipalities. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

Motion Wikner, second Peterson to approve the City of Denver acting as the Licensing Authority for Tobacco Licenses in Denver, Iowa has acted to prosecute Casey's General Stores Inc. for selling tobacco to a minor on February 13, 2016 and Casey's General Stores Inc has paid the \$300 fine for their 1<sup>st</sup> Violation of their Tobacco License. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

The Council discussed the purchase of garbage cans. The Council prefers the popular green color and wanted to include 100 of the 35 Gallon containers in the order to accommodate the needs of senior citizens in the community. The rest of the garbage cans will be 64 gallon. The monthly fee for both sizes of container will be the same amount, \$14.00/month beginning in July.

In Other Business Councilman Peterson asked if the Nuisance Letters had been sent out to properties we junk in their yards or junk cars.

Motion Wikner, second Scharnhorst to adjourn. AYES: Gustafson, Peterson, Richmann, Scharnhorst, Wikner. NAYS: None.

**Revenues for the Month of March 2016**

General Fund	\$50,330.78
Library Savings Fund	\$ 20.58
Road Use Fund	\$ 16,220.37
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 12,827.48
Tax Increment Financing Fund	\$ 1,322.08
Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,505.98
Permanent Fund	\$ 83.42
Water Utility Fund	\$ 12,679.60
Sanitary Sewer Fund	\$338,416.77
Electric Utility Fund	\$112,972.79
Electric Utility Deposit Fund	\$ 1,286.10
Storm Water Utility Fund	<u>\$ 2,308.09</u>
	\$549,974.03

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Rod Diercks, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Larry Farley, City Clerk/Admin.