

**MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 19, 6:30 P.M.**

The MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL met in Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, February 19, 2014** at City Hall with Mayor Brooks presiding. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present: Carroll, Collins, Hallberg, Muehlbauer, and Halvorson.

Halvorson moved, Muehlbauer seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by one motion a) Agenda as listed b) January 15, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes and January 30, 2014 Special Meeting minutes c) Bills and Claims as presented for \$63,649.27 d) Owner Occupied Pay Request #1 – Home 6 – Bockenstedt Construction - \$7,110, Pay Request # 2 – Home #5 – Luana Bank and Tim Kruse- \$14,882.00 e) Treasurer’s Report for January 2014 f) Appointments - Board of Adjustment – Dan Bickel – Term ending 03-06-2019 Roll call vote: Ayes-all. Motion carried.

Hearing of Delegations – Bob Weimerslage expressed concern over a section of culvert that had been placed in the storm sewer to allow temporary access to the Jacob Ferguson property for garage construction. The sidewalk had collapsed from heavy equipment working at the site. The location is scheduled to be repaired as part of the FEMA storm water project, but he is concerned with problems that may arise if there are heavy spring rains. A solution will be discussed. Concerns over a large pot hole on Main Street near the post office were expressed.

A scheduled public hearing was opened by Mayor Brooks. Resolution 06-01-2014 Proposing Disposal of a Portion of Church Street was being considered. No comments were made by the audience and no comments had been received by the council or at city hall. Councilman Muehlbauer did express his regrets that the Kruels were not in attendance. Mayor Brooks explained that they had attended the Board of Adjustment meeting, but that they were unable to attend the council meeting but that he and the clerk had met with them in person on several occasions over the past months regarding their request. The hearing was closed. Carroll moved, seconded by Collins to approve Resolution 01-02-2014 Approving Vacation and Disposal of a 6 foot by 60 foot portion of Church Street adjacent to Lot 1 and Lot 12 and the alley of Bigelow & McLaughlin Addition to the City of McGregor to Jenna & Michael Krue for a cost of \$400 plus all fees associated with the vacation. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Halvorson moved, seconded by Carroll to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 02-01-2014 Providing for the Vacation of a Portion of Church Street lying adjacent to a part of the Bigelow and McLaughlin Addition to Jena and Michael Krue. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Halvorson moved, seconded by Hallberg to waive the three reading requirement. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Halvorson moved, seconded by Collins to approve final passage of Ordinance 02-01-2014. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding a draft dock regulation ordinance. Comments had been requested by the attorney so that the ordinance could be developed. The attorney will continue to refine the ordinance and asked council to forward him any additional thoughts that should be

considered as the draft is prepared. Drake Jensen presented the preliminary layout for the informational signage to be placed on the riverfront as his Eagle Scout project. The location has not been determined yet due to weather restrictions. Council reviewed the information and made several recommendations and thanked him for the work he is doing.

Lori Brockway provided the council with an update of the Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation program, the 1<sup>st</sup> Time Homebuyer program and the NEIRHT funding. Council discussed submission of a 2015 CDBG Owner Occupied application with the same level of match as used in the current round and making a pledge for 2015 for the NEIRHT. An LMI survey and a windshield survey will also need to be completed as the current one is three years old. Collins moved, seconded by Halvorson to pledge \$5,000 to the 2015 NEIRHT. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Collins moved, seconded by Muehlbauer to approve moving ahead with a 2015 CDBG Owner Occupied Rehabilitation grant application. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Muehlbauer moved, seconded by Halvorson to purchase 12 trash receptacles at a cost of \$8,497.20 (freight costs waived) to replace the Main Street receptacles. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Halvorson moved, seconded by Carroll to approve the proposed budget for 2014-2015 and to set the hearing date for March 10, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The proposed levy rate is 13.64028. Halvorson moved, seconded by Collins to use Tru Art Color Graphics in Iowa City to print the Self Guided Tour Booklets for a cost of \$3,470 for 1000 copies. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Community Beautification ideas for April were discussed with additional planning still underway. Carroll moved, seconded by Hallberg to make a donation of \$300 to the MFL MarMac After Prom Committee. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

A list of items that had been discussed regarding the police department budget was provided to the mayor and council by Council person Halvorson. Commissioners will review for discussion at a future Police Commission meeting. The March 19 regular council meeting will be cancelled with regular business to take place at the March 10 budget hearing meeting.

With business concluded, Halvorson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Collins. Ayes – All. Meeting adjourned.

Lynette L. Sander