

A Study Session of the Waverly City Council was held on February 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Brunkhorst presided. Council members present were: Kathy Olson, Gary Boorum, Jim Vowels, Gary Grace Gene Lieb, Tim Kangas and Richard Lindell. Absent: None

A. CALL TO ORDER.

1. **Approve Agenda as Printed or Add Items for Discussion Only.**

Moved By: Grace

That the agenda for this Council meeting as prepared is hereby approved.

Yes: 7

No: 0

Absent: 0

B. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no comments.

C. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Pay Request from AHTS Architects, P.L.C. for Architectural Services for the Civic Center Renovation in the amount of \$1,655.21.

2. Class C Liquor License for Don Jose Family Mexican Restaurant No. 5.

Moved By: Lieb

Items 1-2 on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved.

Yes: 7

No: 0

Absent: 0

D. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. **Review of the City of Waverly Audit.**

Jeff Peters of Williams & Co. stated that the audit is conducted in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles. The audits for Waverly Light & Power and the Waverly Health Center are conducted independently and Williams & Co. includes their information as part of the City's audit. The Government Activities include all equipment and infrastructure totaling \$28,000,000 and Business Type (Enterprise) Activities totaling \$12,000,000.

Mr. Peters reviewed:

- The statement of Revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances.
- The City's fund balance is 28% for current year expenditures and will last approximately 102 days.
- OPEB(Other Post Employment Benefits) Liability – provide retired employees insurance until Medicare age.
- The City continues to have one of the largest list of capital projects every year.

The City is required to conduct a single audit that review laws and regulations and internal control of grant dollars. Mr. Peters also informed Council that City is in a good, positive position. The City's 44.9% debt capacity is on the lower end of comparable size cities and the City does not have long term debt. The State Auditor looked at the City's use of Waverly Light and Power transfers.

2. **Resolution 10-23, Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Goodwill Industries of Northeast Iowa, Inc. and Fixing a Date for a Hearing on the Proposed Issuance of Revenue Bonds or Notes (Goodwill Industries Project).**

David Boyd informed Council that the new Goodwill Industries building includes sales floor, office space, and a processing center for donations and a dock will be on the

1. **Review of Flood Preparedness for Spring 2010.**

City Engineer Cherry informed Council that they will be hearing about the Des Moines River and how it's going to impact Des Moines and the Cedar River and how it will impact Cedar Falls. The National Weather service has said that Charles City, Waverly and Janesville are not in the same situation as Shell Rock, Cedar Falls and Des Moines. Waverly has an increased risk of flooding but not an extreme risk. The City now has:

- Code Red Warning System – signup on the City's website or call the Law Center – tested every month
- Flood inundation mapping so the City can see what are the affected areas
- Building neighborhood defenses
- Purchased **two** additional mobile pumps to dewater sanitary systems or areas affected by storm water
- Updated the Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Purchased 750 feet lineal feet of HESCO Barriers for 7th Avenue SE and between City Hall and the Hydro units
- The Bremer County Recovery Coalition is moving forward with Community Emergency Response Team Program Training – a pool of people to provide assistance in the event of a disaster – 1st Meeting is on February 25th at 7:00 P. M. in Riviera Roose in Janesville
- Public Works Department will provide a Flood Safety Newsletter that will be coming out the first part of March

The National Weather Service will update their spring melt predictions on Friday, March 5th. The river levels go up in the last week of March and the first week of April. The City website under "Public Works" contains flood information including National Weather Service and river gage information, warnings. City Staff, BCRC, and the Bremer County Emergency Management Coordinator are meeting on spring melt conditions and reviewing flood protection measures. **A group of Ward 3 residents** are going to meet to talk about communication during flooding. City Engineer Cherry advised dry run adjacent residents to look at flood inundation mapping on the City's website. Public Services Superintendent Sullivan informed Council that the snow at the Fairgrounds will probably not melt until at least May and impact will be minimal. The boards will not be put on the dam until May and will be discussed at a later date. When the inflatable dam is built it will lower the river 3 feet and will stop the overflow of the storm drain at 3rd Avenue and 4th St. NW. The City has 200,000 empty sandbags. City Engineer Cherry informed Duane Liddle that there is a team that makes a decision to start filling sandbags and to initiate volunteer efforts.

F. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

1. Boards and Commissions.
2. Reports.
Departmental Status Reports – the deficit is from year end transfers that come into the General fund. Property taxes will come into the General fund in April to offset that deficit.
3. Communications – March 16th inviting the Mayor and Council and Planning and Zoning to 1 ½ hour session involving Rebuild Iowa Office and Iowa Department of Economic Development to do a City planning effort. Three areas to be looked at are Smart Growth, Green Space Areas, housing challenges/opportunities.

G. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS ON POLICY ISSUES.

Discussion followed on street potholes. Staff has contacted the DOT regarding Bremer Avenue and 4th Street SW Corridor deterioration.

H. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Moved By: Boorum

That the City Council Meeting be adjourned.

Yes: 7

No: 0

Absent: 0

Council adjourned at 9:34 P. M.

Bob Brunkhorst, Mayor

Attest:

Jo-Ellen Raap, City Clerk