

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Webster City, Iowa November 2, 2009

The City Council met in regular session at the City Hall, Webster City, Iowa, at 7:00 p.m. November 2, 2009 upon call of the Mayor and the advance agenda. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Eugene C. Gray and roll being called there were present Eugene C. Gray, Mayor in the chair and the following named Council Members: Janet Adams, Melissa Borer, Mark Gillette and Jerry Kloberdanz.

It was moved by Gillette and seconded by Kloberdanz to approve the agenda.
ROLL CALL: Borer, Gillette, Gray, Kloberdanz and Adams voting aye.

Mayor Gray led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PETITIONS – COMMUNICATIONS – REQUESTS

None brought forth

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Pat Powers announced the Al Welsh Orchestra will be hosting a big band dance at Fuller Hall on November 14, 2009 from 7 to 10 p.m. sponsored by Allan Welsh Jr. in memory of his father.

City Manager Ed Sadler announced the City Wide Leaf Pick Up will be November 12, 2009 beginning at 7 p.m.

City Manager Sadler thanked Cheryl Patrou for her work on the Webster City Historical Committee's successful Ghost Tour event at the Wilson Brewer Park on Halloween.

MINUTES AND CLAIMS

It was moved by Kloberdanz and seconded by Adams that the following motion and resolutions be approved and adopted:

1. That the Minutes of October 19, 2009 be approved.
2. That Resolution No. 2009-106 approving payroll for the period ending October 24, 2009 and paid on October 30, 2009 in the amount of \$136,752.57 be passed and adopted.
3. That Resolution No. 2009-107 approving bills paid in the amount of \$245,487.05 be passed and adopted.

ROLL CALL: Gillette, Gray, Kloberdanz, Adams and Borer voting aye.

GENERAL AGENDA

1. It was moved by Kloberdanz and seconded by Gillette that the request from Lyle and Judy Cole for a sewer credit discount in connection with their swimming pool be approved.

ROLL CALL: Kloberdanz, Adams, Borer and Gillette voting aye.
Gray voting nay.

2. It was moved by Borer and seconded by Gillette to approve a new roof for the old Courthouse at Wilson Brewer Park at the estimated amount of \$3,400.

ROLL CALL: Kloberdanz, Adams, Borer, Gillette and Gray voting aye.

3. It was moved by Borer and seconded by Adams that the request from the Hamilton County Fair Board to leave the Fair Grounds Signs at the corner of Superior and Bank and Dubuque and Bluff, and the request from Ralph Storm to leave the airport sign at Ohio and Beach be approved.

No Roll Call on this motion

It was moved by Borer and seconded by Gillette for a division of the question.

No Roll Call on this motion

Council agreed by Consensus to divide the question.

It was moved by Gillette and seconded by Borer that the request from the Hamilton County Fair Board to leave the Fair grounds Signs at the corner of Superior and Bank and Dubuque and Bluff be approved.

ROLL CALL: Adams, Borer, Gillette and Kloberdanz voting aye.
Gray voting nay.

It was moved by Gillette and seconded by Adams that the request from Ralph Storm to leave the airport sign at Ohio and Beach be approved.

ROLL CALL: Gillette and Gray voting aye
Borer, Kloberdanz and Adams voting nay.
THE MOTION FAILED

4. Council discussed the request from the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors to determine interest in exploring the opportunity for county wide law enforcement.

Council requested additional information and decided to place the issue on the next Council Agenda for further discussion. Mayor Gray suggested that Council could then decide which direction the City should pursue on the matter.

5. It was moved by Kloberdanz and seconded by Adams that Resolution No. 2009-108 authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to amend the salary of the City Manager with a 2% increase be passed and adopted.

ROLL CALL: Gillette, Gray, Kloberdanz and Adams voting aye.
Borer voting nay.

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It was moved by Adams and seconded by Kloberdanz to move "Economic Development" up to the top priority on the City Manager goal-priority list set during his evaluation on October 19, 2009.

ROLL CALL: Gillette, Kloberdanz, Adams and Borer voting aye.
Gray voting nay.

6. It was moved by Gillette and seconded by Borer that the policy request for City Council to receive notification of department head changes be approved.

Gillette requested a Point of Order.

Adams called for the Question

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION CALLING FOR THE QUESTION

Gray, Kloberdanz, Adams, Borer and Gillette voting aye.

ROLL CALL ON THE MAIN MOTION to approve the policy request for City Council to receive notification of department head changes:

Borer voting aye.

Kloberdanz, Adams, Gillette and Gray voting nay.

THE MOTION FAILED.

7. Electrolux discussion.

City Manager Sadler encouraged a Council work session and an organized effort on Electrolux options some time during the week of November 16, 2009. Council agreed by consensus.

8. The Utility meeting will be replaced by the work session during the week of November 16, 2009.

REPORTS

It was moved by Borer and seconded by Kloberdanz that the Traffic Committee October 19, 2009 report be accepted and placed on file.

ROLL CALL: Adams, Borer, Gillette, Gray and Kloberdanz voting aye.

OTHER REPORTS

Councilman Kloberdanz commented on a sewer article in the Des Moines Register. Kloberdanz stated that the violations mentioned in the article were not from the City, but rather industries that pump sewage into the City system. The City did not commit any violations.

COUNCIL REPORTS

None brought forth

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Mayor Gray advised the second closed session has been cancelled as the matter has been resolved. As a result no closed session was needed on the matter.

It was moved by Borer and seconded by Kloberdanz that the Council meet in Closed Session for the purpose of holding a strategy meeting in connection with collective bargaining with the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 234 as authorized by Chapters 20.17 and 21.5 of the Code of Iowa.

ROLL CALL: Adams, Borer, Gillette, Gray and Kloberdanz voting aye.

The Council went into closed session at 8:25 p.m.

The Council returned from closed session at 9:04 p.m.

It was moved by Gillette and seconded by Adams that the Council adjourn.

ROLL CALL: Borer, Gillette, Gray, Kloberdanz and Adams voting aye.

The Council stood adjourned at 9:05 p.m.