

Delmar Council Proceeding

April 3, 2008

Mayor Hardin called the regular meeting of the Delmar City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Delmar Fire Station with Council members Jebesen, Trenkamp, Goodall, Eberhart and Simmons present. Also present were City employees Paul Ruchotzke, Laurie Ganzer and Tom Witt.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the March 5th meeting along with the following payables and revenues:

Bills paid prior to April Meeting:

FICA	848.48
IPERS	354.94
State of Iowa, withholding	91.00
Alliant Energy, utilities	3,414.22
Casey's General Stores, fuel	689.62
Maquoketa Sentinel Press, publications	64.64

Accounts Payable for April Meeting:

Alliant Energy, utilities	3,133.52
Allied Waste, monthly contract & dumpsters	2,811.00
Balliu Construction, plow repair	72.76
Casey's General Store, fuel	148.60
Clinton Count Sheriff, monthly contract	741.60
Farm Plan, tractor parts	13.56
F & B Communications, telephone	184.90
Gasser True Value, misc. maintenance supplies	231.01
Patty Hardin, bereavement flowers	34.78
Hawkins, chemicals	95.68
IAMU, dues	357.96
Vernon Mangler, snow removal	75.00
National Bank, postage, office supplies, clerk school	355.24
Office Machine Consultants, copier rental	112.99
Preston Ready Mix, gravel	487.43
QC Analytical Services, testing	171.00
Staples, office supplies	38.55
Schoenthaler, Roberg, Bartlett, Kahler, legal fees	20.00
Stamp Man Specialties, imprint stamps	56.35
Waugh Tire, tire repair	18.96

Revenues:

General Fund	7,319.41	Water Fund	11,109.13
Road Use Fund	4,379.48	Sewer Fund	3,032.66
Employee Benefits	262.67	Garbage Fund	2,873.09
Emergency Fund	45.44		

Total Revenues: 29,021.88

Gross Wages:

\$ 4373.91

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Goodall with a second by Trenkamp. All ayes.

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Department** spent 66.67 hours in the City of Delmar between February 26, 2008 through March 25, 2008 while on patrol they handled 5 incidents and answered 7 calls.

During **public forum** Jim and Judy Brown were present to ask the City Council to find a solution to the un-maintained alley connected to their property. The City Council will get bids on removing the trees that have grown up in the alley and consider graveling the alley to their garage.

Mike Scheckel was present to get clarification on the building ordinance. Mr. Scheckel wanted to know if the 4 foot set back was from the foundation or the eaves of a structure. The Council informed Mr. Scheckel that it was from the eaves. Mr. Scheckel also requested permission to put in a wood burning stove. Mr. Scheckel was informed that he would have to obtain waivers from surrounding neighbors and present the City Council with the drawings showing the placement and chimney height before they would consider the project.

Julie Ann Neely and Amy Ingles were present to update the City Council on their finding regarding the **water shed problems**. Suggestions were to open the ditch on Center, Main and Lincoln to route the water. Ms. Neely also suggested a berm could be placed to reroute the water.

A motion to **purchase swings for the park at a cost of \$875.00** plus cost for concrete and pea gravel, with the swings being placed to the east of the new equipment was made by Goodall with a second by Eberhart. All ayes. A donation of 500.00 each from the Festival of Lights and the Labor Day Committee made the purchase possible.

Discussion regarding the building code ordinance and the snow removal ordinance was tabled.

A motion to **purchase a bob cat snow plow from** for \$ 1,200.00 was made by Goodall with a second by Jebesen. All ayes.

A motion to approve the placement of a berm at the ball diamond with the approval from the school was made by Goodall with a second by Simmons. All ayes.

During **reports** wastewater operator Tom Witt suggested that the City use only one well to see if it alleviated the problem. Goodall suggested that one of the wells be turned down to a minimum rather than shut one off. Witt also reported that the company that the City wanted to reline a couple of the manholes has not submitted a bid yet. Ruchotzke was instructed to flush hydrants.

Ganzer contacted IRWA regarding **smoke testing for sewer lines**. The City will need to post notices to citizens when the project will take place. As members of IRWA the service is free. The only cost to the City will be for the liquid smoke used for the project. The smoke is \$45.00 per gallon with an estimated 2 gallons used for the project. Ruchotzke was instructed to contact IRWA to schedule the project. A motion to move forward with the smoke testing was made by Jebesen with a second by Simmons. All ayes.

A motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. was made by Goodall with a second by Simmons. All ayes.

Patty Hardin, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk