

**Delmar City Council Proceedings
July 10, 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, Eberhart and Simmons present. Goodall was absent. Also present were city employees Paul Ruchotzke and Laurie Ganzer.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the June 1st meeting and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to July Meeting:

FICA	1,086.41
IPERS	398.42
State of Iowa, withholding	114.00
State of Iowa , sales tax	2,137.00

Accounts Payable for July Meeting:

Allied Waste, monthly contract & dumpsters	2,811.00
Bowman Oil, diesel fuel	1,065.08
Casey's General Store, vehicle and mower fuel	194.97
Clinton County Landfill, annual assessment	5,140.00
Clinton County Sheriff, monthly contract	784.60
Data Tech, software update	14.00
Eberhart Farm Center, weed killer	207.38
Farm Plan, tractor parts	104.98
F & B Communications, telephone	167.07
Gasser True Value, maintenance misc. supplies	96.38
Hawkins, chemicals water dept	212.13
Hygeienic Laboratories, testing	48.00
IDNR, water permit	62.27
JJJ Enterprises, storm drain repair	7,258.80
Bob Johnson Trucking, Mower & tire repair	380.50
Maquoketa Lumber, keys	4.24
Maquoketa Sentinel Press, publications	215.12
Mississippi Valley Pump, lift station repair	294.50
Office Machine Consultants, copier lease	110.02
Preston Ready Mix, gravel	320.48
Seven Hills Paving, street repair	11,030.00
T & W Grinding, grind brush pile	1,000.00
Wendling Quarries, gravel	102.24

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues:</u>	<u>Expenses:</u>
General Fund	8,655.44	12,927.55
Road Use	3,699.74	2,462.39
Employee Benefits	395.59	388.59

Water	10,114.62	47,693.95
Sewer	3,076.39	1,825.14
Garbage	2,598.65	3,233.40
Debt Service	0.00	0.00
Totals:	34,028.46	96,045.36

Gross Wages:

\$ 4,649.25

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

The **Clinton County Sheriff's Department** spent 51.35 hours in the city of Delmar from May 26, 2008 through June 25, 2008 while on patrol they handled 3 incidents and answered 5 calls.

During **public forum** discussion was held regarding properties in town that need to be cleaned up. The council instructed Ganzer to send abatement notices to property owners that have not responded to the letter requests to clean up properties or remove nuisances.

Jim Holz of MSA Professionals was present to explain to the council that **IDED will not be inclined to grant HUD funds** to communities that show stagnant or declining population, therefore Delmar will not be applying for funding this year.

Holz also discussed the lagoons with the council. The council informed Holz that smoke testing will be done when the weather is dry enough and at this time nothing further is planned for the updating the lagoons.

A motion to approve the **building permit for 117 Market Street** was made by Eberhart with a second by Trenkamp. All ayes.

A motion to deny the **request for a culvert placement at 404 Lincoln Avenue** was made by Simmons with a second by Trenkamp. Ayes – Trenkamp, Simmons and Jebesen, abstain – Eberhart.

A motion to abate the **dead tree removal at 302 Main Street** was made by Eberhart with a second by Simmons. All ayes.

A motion to approve the request for a **pool fill credit** of 15.00 on the sewer portion of account 14000 was made by Simmons with a second by Trenkamp. All ayes.

Discussion regarding **digging additional ditches on Lincoln Avenue** was tabled.

During discussion regarding the **dog barking issues in the northeast part of town** the council agreed that until a formal complaint is signed at City Hall no further action will be taken.

A motion to approve **resolution 2009-01, 2009-02 and 2009-03** which is to certify delinquent accounts with the county auditor was made by Jebesen with a second by Eberhart. All ayes.

Discussion regarding the **Western Avenue** weight restriction was tabled.

During discussion regarding **damaged tree at 406 Main Street** Ganzer reported that she had spoken with the owners and they intend to remove the tree when Alliant removes the limbs that are touching the wires.

Discussion regarding the snow removal ordinance was tabled.

Discussion regarding the building ordinance was tabled.

Goodall joined the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

During **reports** Ganzer noted that the owners of the property associated with past due utility account 42106 has paid the amount agreed on.

Ruchotzke reported that citizens are abusing the compost pile again.

Mayor Hardin reported that she has had complaints regarding the abundance of stray and wild cats in town. The council instructed Ganzer to post a notice to pet owners that beginning August 1st all animals that are caught at large will be removed from town.

Mayor Hardin also reported that several citizens have contacted her concerned as to why the storm siren did not sound when a tornado was spotted outside of town today. Clinton County Emergency Management is currently working on a county wide notification system. Until the county system is set up Ruchotzke will be given a fire pager to be able to receive notifications during daytime hours when fire personnel are out of town for work.

A motion to forward **insurance claim AA88-Z00516965** to the city attorney for further review was made by Goodall with a second by Simmons. All ayes.

A motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. was made by Eberhart with a second by Simmons. All ayes.

Patty Hardin, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk