

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council
Monday, August 21, 2017

Mayor, Bill Burger, called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

Roll call: Dan Feldmann, Kay Risser, Clarence Tuel, Marty Marugg, Steve Engler (arrived at 6:45 PM)

Additional Attendance: Public Works Director, Todd Hosch; City Engineer, Jason Wenger, Richard White, Lynne Engler, Dave Faust, Gene Kramer and Gary Langel.

Motion by Feldmann to approve the agenda, seconded by Risser. All ayes, carried.

Under citizen concerns, Richard White needs a Flood Plan Permit from the City to clean the creek behind his house. Emily Miller was designated as Flood Plan Manager. Motion by Feldmann for Emily to sign the Flood Plan Permit for Richard White, seconded by Risser. All ayes, carried.

Dave Faust had concerns regarding the Highway 136 project. He is concerned as to why his driveway has been blocked off. City Engineer, Jason Wenger, explained the construction plan and answered his concerns Communication will improve between contractor and residents.

Lynne Engler wrote a letter to the council indicating that she would be resigning as an employee of the City of Worthington effective September 17, 2017. Lynne has been employed by the City for 40 years.

Motion by Tuel to approve consent agenda; including minutes, treasurer's report and building permit #1292 (Gene Kramer), seconded by Marugg. All ayes, carried.

Maintenance update, Todd Hosch, asked for a decision to be made on the purchase of a new sweep-all or making repairs to the current street sweeper. Council would like more time for consideration, this will be an item on the next agenda.

Motion by Feldmann to Approve and Adopt 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 177. An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Worthington, Iowa, Title VI, Section 6-2-14 of Chapter 2: Utilities- Billing Charges, Solid Waste and Recycling Rates. Every utility account within the City of Worthington that is currently charged the residential refuse rate will be increased by \$2.00/month, and every utility account that is currently charged the commercial refuse rate will be increased by \$1.00/month. Motion seconded by Engler. Roll call. Ayes: Marugg, Engler, Tuel, Risser, Feldmann. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Tuel to Approve and Adopt 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 178. An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Worthington, Iowa, Title III, Section 3-3-26 of Chapter 3: Traffic Code, Stopping, Standing, or Parking Prohibited in Specified Places. Additional parking specifications and distance requirements have been added to be in compliance with Iowa DOT rules in regards to the Highway 136 Improvements Project. Motion seconded by Risser. Roll call. Ayes: Risser, Tuel, Engler, Marugg, Feldmann. All ayes, motion carried.

Jason Wenger, City Engineer, gave an update on the construction of Highway 136.

He has had a lot of requests from residents to change or add driveways. The council decided that if homeowners want to add or change their driveway, the home owners would be responsible for the additional costs incurred during construction.

The council also continued the discussion of the property west of City Hall. Security cameras were the next topic of discussion and due to time, Risser tabled the item to next meeting.

Under clerk and council concerns, there are parking issues along 3rd Avenue SW. Burger had another verbal complaint from a farmer traveling on the road who could not get through. Council discussed to move forward on no parking on both sides of 3rd Avenue SW from the first drive of the cemetery to 4th Avenue. This will also be an item on the next agenda.

Restricted residence district ordinance and map was tabled to next meeting.

The pitbulls at 315 3rd Street West Court #3 have been removed from the City of Worthington.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the next regular city council meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 5th, 2017, at 6:30 PM.

Motion by Feldmann to adjourn at 8:43 PM, seconded by Marugg, all ayes, carried.

Minutes prepared by:

Emily Miller

City Clerk/Treasurer

Revenues: General Fund \$4,597.68; LOST \$62,745.82; Road Use \$3,835.28; Debt Service \$2,171.00;
Water \$3,099.51; Sewer \$3,885.05; Hall \$1,710.15