

Mitchellville City Council Proceedings
Regular Meeting – October 6, 2014

The Mitchellville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm in the council chambers of City Hall, 204 Center Ave. N., pursuant to notice.

Mayor Filbert called the meeting to order, roll call, members present: McGhee, Crook, Thomas, Zook, and Engler.

A motion by Thomas to approve the tentative agenda, second by Engler. Motion carried unanimous.

A motion by McGhee to approve the consent agenda paying claims of \$89,053.08 includes 1 regular payroll, the 9-15-14 council minutes, Library Board of Trustees Aug. 2014 meeting minutes and stats, Sept. 2014 bills and library director's report second by Crook. Motion carried unanimous.

Public Audience: None

A motion by Zook to approve the Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, second by Thomas. Motion carried unanimous.

A motion by Engler for The City of Mitchellville to join the Greater Des Moines Partnership for a fee of \$500.00 the first year and dues of \$1000.00 for the next five years, second by Zook. Ayes: Thomas, McGhee, Zook and Engler. Nays: Crook. Motion carried.

Angie Rheuport, 213 4th St. NW, expressed issues she is having with her neighbor and the lack of lawn, tree and sidewalk maintenance of the property. She requested the city look at the back of the property and to enforce city code. The city will issue a nuisance notice to the home owner.

Trish Myers, 207 Market Ave. SW, requested the council consider changing the City Ordinance 105.05.4 dis-allowing open burning of landscape waste. Ms. Myers presented the council with other cities codes and other possible options to burning. The other options will be discussed at a future council meeting.

Dan Oldenburg, 114 2nd St. NW, informed the council there is 2 large holes in the right-a-way on Market Ave NW on the east side of his property and the City should fill in the holes. He wanted to know if he would be allowed to replant 2 trees. He was given a tree permit to fill out for consideration.

Mr. Oldenburg requested the Fire Department clean out culverts in the alley and was informed the Fire Department does not clean out culverts.

Mr. Oldenburg stated the council misappropriated the usage of the HMMWV and he felt it would be better utilized by the Fire department instead of the Police department. He was informed that because the vehicle was procured by the Police Dept. it had to be used by the Police Dept. Chief Kinmonth stated if he had any questions he was more than welcome to stop by his office and visit with him.

Mr. Oldenburg asked that the flag in the council chambers be displayed correctly and was informed it would be looked in to.

A motion by McGhee to move ahead with the SRF Revenue bond loan for the sewer rehab project, second by Zook. Motion carried unanimous.

A motion by Engler to purchase 2 Blind Person in Area signs and the poles, second by Thomas. Motion carried unanimous.

After much discussion on the numerous vacant and abandoned houses it was the consensus of the council to start the process of nuisance and nuisance abatement on at least 3 houses, 205 1st St. NW, 111 2nd St. NW, and 209 2nd St. NW.

A motion by Crook to have City Clerk Norton and the Police department work together to start the process of the vacant properties condemnation, second by Engler. Motion carried unanimous.

Updates were given by department heads, council members and mayor.

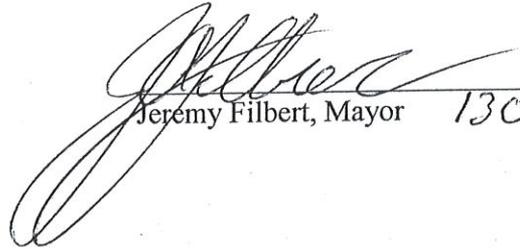
Public Audience: Laurie Fenimore, 206 Park Ave. NE, informed the council she sent an email to Mayor Filbert requesting to be appointed the Tree Board.

Marty Thomas, 215 2nd St. NW asked who the signs were for and was informed, Josh McBride. He stated the signs needed to be big enough to help.

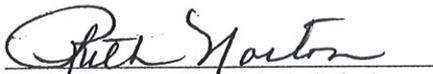
Mayor Filbert called for a 15 minute recess at 8:45 pm.

Mayor Filbert resumed the meeting at 9:00 pm and the council went to a work session on voluntary annexation of property northwest of the City.

Mayor Filbert adjourned the meeting at 10:25 pm.


Jeremy Filbert, Mayor 13 OCT 2014

ATTEST:


Ruth Norton, City Admin/Clerk