

Mitchellville City Council Proceedings  
Regular Meeting – September 2, 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: Crook, McGhee Thomas, Engler and Zook.

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

A motion by Thomas to approve the consent agenda paying claims of \$80,835.67 includes 1 regular payroll, the 8-18-14 council minutes, Library Board of Trustees July 2014 meeting minutes and stats, August 2014 bills and library director's report second by Zook. Motion carried unanimous.

Public Audience: Brandon Eastridge, 107 3<sup>rd</sup> St. NW, commented on statements made at the previous meeting regarding the annexation of the railroad property and a developer.

Angie Rheuport, 213 4<sup>th</sup> St. NW, expressed issues she is having with her neighbor and the lack of lawn and tree maintenance of the property. She requested the city look at the back of the property. She also stated the tree at 4<sup>th</sup> and Market by the Church needs taken down.

Judy Johnson, 306 4<sup>th</sup> St. NE noted the Lion's Club's yard of the month for September was Majel Taylor, 203 Mitchell Ave. SW

Dan Oldenburg, 114 2<sup>nd</sup> St. NW, had questions about the alley behind his house and was informed the City does not maintain alleys. He also wanted to know what he had to do to plant a tree and was told the City doesn't want trees planted in the right of way.

Steve & Susan Greenhorn, 403 Cotton Ave NW went into detail about a medical call to their home and expressed concerns as to how the details of the call became public knowledge. Mayor Filbert said he would look into the issue.

Amy Beattie from Brick-Gentry Law firm informed the council with the voluntary annexation of the railroad property it is possible to complete the rest of the other voluntary annexation. She went through the multiple steps that would be required and the concerns Polk County has about the roads and lack of utility access.

Mike Swesey gave a presentation on the Greater Des Moines Partnership organization.

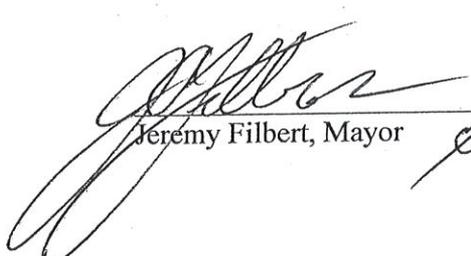
A motion by Thomas to award the three year city audit contract to Martens Company, CPA, LLP, second by Crook. Motion carried unanimous.

Updates from department head, council members and the mayor.

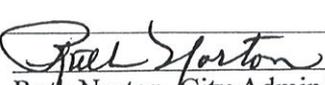
Public Audience: Laurie Fenimore, 206 Park Ave NE, thanked City hall for their research on trees.

Dan Oldenburg, 114 2<sup>nd</sup> St. NW, stated according to the city code, he would need a permit to plant a tree in the right of way, he noted in a previous meeting the council has talked about treating the emerald ash borer and was told it was not a dead issue the Tree Board was looking at it and would present a recommendation to the council and had questions on the cost of the Police Humvee.

Mayor Filbert adjourned the meeting at 8:46 pm.

  
Jeremy Filbert, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Ruth Norton, City Admin/Clerk