

Ruthven City Council Meeting
April 27, 2010

The Ruthven City Council, of the City of Ruthven, Iowa, met on the 27th Day of April, 2010, at 6:30 PM, in regular session, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, pursuant to law and to the rules of said council.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Charles Oppedal in the Chair, and the roll being called, the following members were present:

PRESENT: Anderson, Henningsen, Johnson, Schoning

ABSENT: VerHelst

Schoning motioned and Johnson seconded to approve the consent agenda items including Minutes, Claims Report and Clerk's Report as presented. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Schoning made a motion for a No Parking Between Signs to be installed by the driveway of 1206 Center St. Henningsen seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Tim Murphy was again not present in regards to the Cruise In.

Schoning made a motion to approve the agreement for use of the Ruthven Area Community Garden. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Discussion occurred in regards to the buildings at 1311 and 1309 Gowrie St.

Schoning made a motion to direct the attorney to proceed with nuisance abatement for the property at 1311 Gowrie St. Motion died for lack of a second.

It was determined that more information needed to be gathered and would be tabled until that can be obtained.

Discussion occurred in regards to a street excavation permit.

Henningsen made a motion that the resident requiring the excavation would be responsible for repair to the city street. Johnson seconded the motion. Aye – Johnson, Henningsen, Anderson. Nay – Schoning. Motion carried.

The request for tree removal from resident was tabled.

Schoning made a motion to hire Kelli Keefer and Ashley Forey as co-managers for the Ruthven Pool for the 2010 season. Henningsen seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Johnson made a motion to send the resident at 1502 Washington St. a letter in reference to violation of the animal control ordinance regarding chickens in city limits. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Henningsen made a motion to put Ordinance 01-2010 on first filing. To amend the ordinance concerning the operation of golf carts on city streets. That golf carts must be registered and bear a current plate evidencing such registration. Johnson seconded the motion. Whereupon, the Mayor put the question on the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows:

Ayes: Johnson, Henningsen, Schoning, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: VerHelst

Schoning made a motion to waive the rules for the second reading and proceed to final adopt Ordinance 01-2010. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried with roll call vote.

Ayes: Johnson, Henningsen, Schoning, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: VerHelst

Henningsen made a motion to finally pass and adopt Ordinance 01-2010. Anderson seconded the motion. Whereupon, the Mayor put the question on the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows:

Ayes: Johnson, Henningsen, Schoning, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: VerHelst

Whereupon, the Mayor declared the motion carried and Ordinance 01-2010 was duly passed and adopted and signed his approval thereto.

Henningsen made a motion to declare May 18, 2010 6:30 PM as the time of the public hearing to adopt the Budget Amendment for the 2009-2010 FY. Schoning seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Information was shared on the FEMA Safe Room grant.

Johnson made a motion to pay the last installment of the line of credit loan. Henningsen seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Henningsen made a motion to approve the renewal liquor license for Bully's Bar pending the completion of the dram insurance. Schoning seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Schoning made a motion to approve the purchase of two Christmas lights. Henningsen seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Schoning introduced Resolution 07-2010 to appoint Trenton J Keefer as the Mayor of the City of Ruthven, IA. Henningsen seconded the motion. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Johnson, Henningsen, Schoning, Anderson

Nay: None

Johnson made a motion to authorize the addition of Trenton Keefer and Justin Henningsen to sign city checks. Along with the previously approved Mayor Pro Tem Jay Schoning and City Clerk Kay Suhr. Schoning seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The council was provided with information from Iowa Codification to update ordinance book.

Henningsen made a motion to approve the purchase of an office chair. Schoning seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:07 by Henningsen and seconded by Schoning. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Charles Oppedal, Mayor

Kay Suhr, City Clerk