

March 17, 2008
 Council Chambers
 City Hall
 Tipton, Iowa

The City Council of the City of Tipton, Cedar County, Iowa met in Regular Session at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Kepford called the meeting to order. Upon roll being called the following named council members were present: Anderson, McGlaughlin, Johnson, Klemme, and Wethington. Also present; Boldt, Fletcher, Alden, Packwood, Hakeman, several visitors and the press.

Agenda:

Motion by Klemme, seconded by McGlaughlin to accept the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call vote:

Yes: Anderson, Johnson, Klemme, McGlaughlin, Wethington

No: None

Communications & Reports:

Scheduled - Ken Holst, Iowa Stored Energy Project (ISEP) Update.

Kent Holst showed a slide presentation of where the project has been and is headed. The City of Tipton made an initial investment in 2003 of \$25,000 and 2005 another \$5,000 was invested to fund the research project of the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities concerning compressed air energy storage, with the incentive that if anything came of the research project the city would be given "investment multipliers" which means for the \$30,000 contributed the city would gross \$85,000. Several municipalities have chosen to proceed with the intent to build a compressed air stored energy facility. They joined to form the Iowa Stored Energy Plant Agency (ISEPA), a 28E public entity. There is an admission fee of \$20,000.00 for municipal utilities to join ISEPA as well as signing a 28E agreement.

If the city chooses not to join, ISEPA will strive to return the city's initial investment if and when ISEP becomes a viable and successful operating facility, as determined by the governing body of ISEPA. ISEPA has a potential build site and is looking for the funding to proceed with \$4,000,000 invested \$1,000,000 from municipalities and \$3,000,000 of federal dollars.

Unscheduled – Max Coppess, Airport Committee

Coppess addressed the council about The Friends of "8 Charlie 4" Open House and Fly-In. This has grown over the last 5 years into an event. This event has been taken over by the newly formed Airport Committee. Coppess told the council that letters have been mailed to businesses, supporters, and friends of the airport seeking donations to offset the cost of this event to be held June 29, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Consent Agenda:

Motion to approve the consent agenda, which include minutes from March 3, 2008, garbage exemption at 122 East 5th Street, clerks and investment reports and library minutes was made by Anderson, seconded by Johnson.

Roll call vote:

Yes: McGlaughlin, Johnson, Klemme, Wethington, Anderson

No: None

Public Hearing: Ordinance #500 – RAGBRAI – Miscellaneous Permits

Mayor Kepford opened the public hearing for Ordinance No. 500, RAGBRAI, Miscellaneous Permits at 6:10 p.m. With no written or oral objections the public hearing was closed at 6:11 p.m.

Ordinance Approval/Amendment: Ordinance No. 500 – RAGBRAI – Miscellaneous Permits

Motion to waive the second and third readings and adopt Ordinance No. 500, RABRAI - Miscellaneous Permits was made by McGlaughlin, seconded by Anderson.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Klemme, Wethington, Anderson, McGlaughlin

No: None

Ordinance can be viewed in the city clerk's office.

Resolutions: Acquisition or Development for Outdoor Recreation – Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant

This grant is administered by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and if approved would be used to upgrade the tennis courts and the construction of a skate park. The grant amount could be up to 50% of the project costs.

Motion to approve the resolution on Acquisition or Development for Outdoor Recreation –Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant was made by Anderson, seconded by Klemme.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Klemme, Wethington, Anderson, McGlaughlin, Johnson

No: None

Resolution can be viewed in the city clerk's office.

Motions for approval:

Motion to approve the claims list was made by Johnson, seconded by Klemme.

ACTERRA GROUP	service charge	207.28
ALLIANCE WATER RESOURCES I	March operation fee	19203.33
ALTORFER INC	repair part	14.44
ARAMARK	mats	143.61
ARROW QUICK	Website/e-mail fees	868.95
BOW TIE AUTOMOTIVE	Bumper Repair #16	470.01
BUSINESS RADIO SALES AND S	pager batteries	250.26
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTOR SUPP	winged wire connectors	102.79
CBE GROUP INC, THE	collection expense	68.35
CEDAR COUNTY CO-OP	fuel discount	4670.56
CEDAR COUNTY ENGINEER	1054.4 gl diesel-Public Works	3374.27
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	transfer station fees	2196.00
CEDAR POLY, LLC	2-14' baling wire	89.40
CEDAR RAPIDS WELDING SUPPL	cylinder rental	4.65
CHAPMAN METERING LLC	meter testing	291.50
CITY CARTON CO INC	Sort fees	517.30
CJ COOPER & ASSOC INC	testing fees	210.00
CLARENCE LOWDEN SUN-NEWS &	misc Rec/FAC ads	273.68
COMMSPEED	Internet service	29.95
CUSTOM BUILDERS INC	UPS charges	84.76
EASTERN IOWA LIGHT & PWR	Cemetery utilities	482.23
FAMILY FOODS	supplies-Goal setting session	17.55
FESLER'S INC	Pepper spray	80.60
FINANCIAL ADJUSTMENT BUREA	Collection expense	50.00
FLETCHER-REINHARDT CO.	ground clamps	189.39
FUTURE LINE LLC	Repair parts	23.76
G&K SERVICES	shop supplies	118.70
GARDEN & ASSOCIATES INC	08 St Improvement services	5400.04
GENERAL PEST CONTROL INC	pest control	140.68
GRAINGER	tools	51.36
GROEBNER & ASSOCIATES	gas service line supplies	447.11
HAPPY JOE'S	supplies-goal setting session	71.99
HOMETOWN PLUMBING &		
HEATIN	heat pump repairs	2478.94
HYGIENIC LABORATORY	tests	11.00
ID AMERICA	machine supplies	320.19
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF	program manuals	148.75
IOWA PARK & RECREATION ASS	Training	0.00
JOHNSON COUNTY AMBULANCE	Adv support	150.00
KUNDE OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT	repairs	87.45
LYNCH'S EXCAVATING INC	Sewer work	671.00
MECHANISVILLE TELEPHONE C	90' CAT 5 wire/surge protector	94.00
MIDWEST RADAR	certify radar units	90.00
MISC. VENDOR	Subway Presentation supplies	55.48
MUTUAL WHEEL CO	hubcap	33.47
NEWTON HOME OIL CO INC	monthly dial fee	30.00
NORTHWEST MECHANICAL INC	leaks repaired	471.63
ORTIVUS NORTH AMERICA	0208 billing service	880.00
PERFORMANCE SYSTEMS JANITO	equipment repairs	154.48
PITNEY BOWES INC	ink cartridges-postage meter	208.96
PIZZA HUT	goal setting session supplies	47.04
POOL CLEANER SERVICES LLC	Equipment maint supplies	579.75
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC 7	cylinder rental	47.96
REXCO EQUIPMENT INC	repair parts	30.95

RUTH INDUSTRIES	truck cleaner	624.45
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	3 flash drives	44.94
STUELAND CHEVROLET-OLDS	repairs-#02	428.88
TERRY DURIN COMPANY	8 -1000W compact lamps	285.60
TIPTON BAKERY	Safety mtg supplies	15.40
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE	misc ads-FAC/Rec	977.38
TIPTON GREENHOUSE	plant	58.32
TIPTON TIRE & AUTO SERVICE	tire repair-#18	140.95
WENDLING QUARRIES	21.36 tn rock/10.61 tn sand	1860.75
WM OF CEDAR RAPIDS-IOWA CI	February service	9869.09
XEROX CORPORATION	Copy/printer paper	1290.05
	GRAND TOTAL	62331.36

FUND TOTALS

001	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	10593.63
002	COMMUNICATIONS – LOCAL AC	9.95
301	WATER TOWER PROJECT	1820.24
305	GO ST IMPROVEMENT 03	1359.57
600	WATER OPERATING	11546.35
610	WASTEWATER/AKA SEWER RV	9454.71
630	ELECTRIC OPERATING	939.12
640	GAS OPERATING	585.55
660	AIRPORT OPERATING	267.23
670	GARBAGE COLLECTION	13302.24
750	CEMETERY ENTERPRISE	497.73
810	CENTRAL GARAGE	8921.04
835	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	3034.00
	GRAND TOTAL	62331.36

Roll call vote:

Yes: Wethington, Anderson, McGlaughlin, Johnson, Klemme
 No: None

Discussion & update on Library Restoration Projects

Bonnie Butler addressed the council on the restoration projects to be completed on the 105 year old Carnegie Library. Work will begin after April 1, on the crown molding and the restoration of the original barrel ceiling. The board will consider tuck pointing bids at the March 31, 2008, meeting.

Purchase of a city radio repeater:

Chief Hakeman received two bids for replacing the city's radio repeater located on the old water tower. The bids received were from Communications Engineering in the amount of \$13,391.25, and Radio Communications Engineering for \$9869.30.

Motion to purchase the radio repeater from Radio Communications at a cost of \$9869.30 was made by Johnson, seconded by Klemme.

Roll call vote:

Yes: McGlaughlin, Johnson, Klemme, Wethington, Anderson
 No: None

2008 Airport User Policy:

Airport Manager Jim Rohlf discussed an Airport User Policy developed by the Airport Committee. The document sets forth basic rules for use of the airport facilities. With council approval the rules will be posted in the terminal along with a map of the grounds and on a sign outside.

Motion to accept the 2008 Airport User Policy was made by McGlaughlin, seconded by Wethington.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, McGlaughlin, Anderson, Wethington, Klemme
 No: None

Annual 1% Electric Rate Increase:

Electric Superintendent Packwood discussed the annual 1% electric rate increase that will take effect April 1, unless the council waives the increase. Packwood explained that the average increase for residential customers would be \$.75 per month. Packwood also discussed the 2007 Operating Revenue and Expense report that is filed annually with the Iowa Utilities Board, which shows a loss of \$746,061.

After further discussion it was the consensus of the council to allow the increase to take effect April 1, 2008.

Annual Electric cost of Purchase Power Index Adjustment:

Packwood recommended tabling the adjustment increase until an ordinance amendment can be completed to eliminate the winter and summer rates, resulting in the rates being the same year round. The increase could go into effect May 1, 2008.

Motion to table the annual electric purchase power index adjustment was made by McGlaughlin, seconded by Anderson.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Klemme, Johnson, McGlaughlin, Anderson, Wethington

No: None

Set Public Hearing Date to Amend Ordinance No. 453:

Motion to set a public hearing date of April 7, 2008, to amend Ordinance No. 453 was made by Anderson, seconded by Johnson.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, McGlaughlin, Anderson, Wethington, Klemme

No: None

Replace Fuel pump at Mathews Memorial Airport:

Airport Manager Jim Rohlf told the council the airport's 30 year old fuel pump needs replaced. Rohlf has applied for an Airport Emergency Operational Repairs grant from the Iowa Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation for up to a 70% match. Rohlf presented two bids for its replacement, a new pump from Central Petroleum Equipment Company for \$4358.25, and a used pump from Partners In Petroleum Equipment Company \$3000.00. The recommendation from the committee is to purchase the new pump. Rohlf noted the grant may not be available for the used equipment.

Motion to approve the purchase of a new pump from Central Petroleum Equipment Company for \$4358.25 was made by McGlaughlin, seconded by Wethington.

Roll call vote:

Yes: McGlaughlin, Anderson, Wethington, Klemme, Johnson

No: None

Reports to be Received/Filed:

Community Development report – Travis Alden said the RAGBRAI planning is going well. He thanked Mayor Kepford, Councilpersons Wethington, and Klemme for their contributions. There will be another community meeting March 31, 2008.

Monthly Water Report – Ron Hembry, local Alliance operator, presented a slide show of Alliance's history with Tipton, as well as the monthly water report.

A motion to accept the monthly water report was made by Anderson, seconded by Wethington.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Anderson, Wethington, Klemme, Johnson, McGlaughlin

No: None

Reports of Mayor/Council/Manager:

Council Reports

CCEDCO - An Update Report from March 4, 2008 was received.

Manager – Boldt informed the council the FEMA reimbursement payments have all been received totaling \$16,819.83.

The Public Works Department will perform the annual leaf pickup during the entire month of April.

The completed draft of the City's 2007 audit has been received. It will be reviewed and the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) written and returned to Clifton Gunderson. When finalized a representative of Clifton Gunderson will make a presentation to the City Council at a meeting.

Boldt will be attending the Iowa Municipal Management Institute Annual Conference in Iowa City, March 26 through March 28, 2008.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Anderson, seconded by Klemme.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Wethington, Klemme, Johnson, McGlaughlin, Anderson

No: None

Mayor

Attest: _____

Deputy City Clerk/Finance Officer

REVENUE RECEIVED - February 2008

Property Taxes	4,823.28
Local Option Sales Service Tax	16,034.95
Licenses & Permits	26.00
Use of Money and Property	23,056.27
Intergovernmental	21,665.16
Charge for Services	624,195.96
Special Assessment	0.00
Miscellaneous	29,564.02
Sale of Fixed Assets	

TOTAL **\$719,365.64**