

March 18, 2013
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: Fry, Anderson, Spear and Zearley. Council Member Siech was absent. Also present: Nosbisch, Fletcher, Kisling, Nash, Holub, Wild, Spangler, other visitors and the press.

Mayor Kepford led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

Motion by Zearley, second by Anderson to approve the agenda with the following corrections. Under Communications, Nancy Hipple will not be speaking and John Packwood will speak. Under Reports to Received/Filed, Craig Popenhagen will not present the audit review. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Communications:

Senator Harkin Correspondence

City Manager Nosbisch received a letter from Senator Tom Harkin's office regarding the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Act, (HeLP America Act) which Harkin serves as Chairman of the Senate Committee.

TEDCO Letter of Support

Abby Kisling, Community Development Director, submitted a letter on behalf of Tipton Economic Development Corporation in support of the Mathews Memorial Airport and the continued improvements and upgrades.

Electric Superintendent John Packwood

John Packwood said that the City will need to run the generators on Monday and Tuesday during the daylight hours to allow the contractors to work safely on the substation project.

Don Drager, Recognition

Mayor Kepford recognized and thanked Donald Drager for 40 years of service to the City of Tipton. An Open House is planned for March 29, 2013, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Public Works Facility. Kepford invited everyone to attend.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Fry, second by Spear to approve the consent agenda which includes the February 20, 2013, council meeting minutes, Clerk's/Investment reports, appoint Diana Waltz to Tipton Development Commission Board, February Water Report, February Airport Committee minutes, Community Development Director's Report, February Library Board minutes and Library Director's Report. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Resolutions for Approval:

Resolution No. 031813A, Resolution Accepting Work, Tipton Fire Station Contract, Garling Construction

Motion by Zearley, second by Spear to approve Resolution No. 031813A, a resolution accepting the work on the Tipton Fire Station Project. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motions for Approval:

1. Claims list -

Motion by Fry, second by Anderson to approve the list of claims as presented. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

2. Reimbursement, JAB Properties, LLC, Downtown Revitalization Incentive Program

Motion by Spear, second by Zearley to approve the recommendation of the Tipton Development Commission to reimburse JAB Properties, LLC, for the commercial exterior façade improvements and acquisition grant in the amount of \$5,335.98. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

3. FEMA Pay Application No. 13, Garling Construction

Motion by Anderson, second by Zearley to approve the FEMA pay application No. 13, the retainage, to Garling Construction, in the amount of \$16,653.05, for the new fire station. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

4. Pay Application No. 16, Garling Construction

Motion by Spear, second by Fry to approve pay application No. 16, the retainage, to Garling Construction, in the amount of \$80,595.10, for the new fire station. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

5. Pump Repairs, East Lagoon

Mark Wild, Alliance Water Resources said that both of the pumps at the east lagoon need to have the seals and bearings replaced. Wild is recommending Electric Pump for the repairs. Motion by Anderson, second by Zearley to approve the recommendation from Mark Wild to hire Electric Pump to repair the pumps at the east lagoon with a cost of \$12,771.06. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items:

1. Park and Recreation Committee

City Manager Nosbisch would like to resurrect the Recreation Committee with the growth of the Recreation Programs and discussions of a Recreation/Community Center. Nosbisch will review the ordinance.

2. City Hall Renovations

Council members toured the old fire station and City Hall and discussed possible upgrades.

Reports of Mayor/Council/Manager:

Mayor's Report

2015 the City of Tipton will be 175 years old. Mayor Kepford suggests forming committees soon to begin planning the celebration.

Manager's Report

We are expecting a response from an engineering firm regarding the James Kennedy Family Aquatic Center prior to the April 1st meeting.

The City received notification from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources that we used more water in 2012 than our current permit allows. Mark Wild has been asked to prepare a permit application asking for 200,000,000 gallon usage.

We are hoping to have various logos available for review at the April 1st meeting.

Nosbisch shared information with the council that was addressed in a recent article.

- Full-time City Employees, 1983 – 26
- Full-time City Employees, 2013 – 29

City has added an aquatic center, implemented building codes, nuisances, economic development functions, etc. Decisions made are dictated by State and Federal government mandates or by the citizens.

- Recent vehicle purchases were in no way related to the construction of the new fire station, which was approved by a majority vote of the citizens of Tipton.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the council a motion to adjourn was made by Zearley, second by Spear. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote;

Aye: Anderson, Spear, Zearley, Fry

Nay: None

Absent: Siech

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Mayor

Attest: _____
City Clerk/Finance Officer