

December 7, 2015
Tipton Fire Station
301 Lynn Street
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, Siech, Anderson, Spear and Leeper. Also present: Nosbisch, Lenz, Fletcher, Holub, Nash, Taber, Downs, Klay Johnson, Beck, Coppess, Penrod, Steffen, Daufeldt, other visitors and the press.

Mayor Kepford led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

Motion by Spear, second by Anderson to approve the agenda as presented. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Communications:

1. Deb Schwitzer – Schwitzer would like to apologize to Ross for not congratulating him on being newly elected to the city council. She congratulated him.

Mary Swan – Swan stated that on the airport expansion petition there are 90 signatures of rural residents and 670 signatures of in town residents. And, that two people asked to have their names removed. Mayor Kepford told Swan that she would like to see the original copy at City Hall by noon, December 8. Swan said that would not happen. She said that copies of the petition will be with Larry and anyone can look at them after the meeting. Swan also stated that she and Nosbisch had a conversation about the three options regarding the airport, and she said that Chris said it should be given to the County, and she agrees.

Tom Petitgout – Petitgout stated that every person in Tipton is represented by the council. He disagrees with the airport expansion and he did sign the petition. He said the town has been very good to him and he loves this town. We need to get passed the divide and conquer attitude.

Larry Hodgden – Hodgden stated that the purpose of the petition was to gauge the opposition to the airport. He is going to keep and guard the petition document. Kepford stated that the public has a right to see the original and demands to see it tomorrow. Hodgden said that anyone who wants to look at the copy of the petition after the meeting can do so.

Rod Daebelliehn – Daebelliehn was a former councilperson for 16 years. The city needs to work as a team or not at all. The council has done a good job. Rod and his wife, Jerri, are the two that removed their names from the petition. The group has taken it too far.

Dave Annen – Annen had two dogs impounded and was charged \$200.00. The dogs were impounded on Wednesday morning and he picked them up within two to three hours. Dave Annen was given the new ordinance for animals running at large by Chief Holub. The ordinance online has not been updated, but there is a disclaimer for it.

Mike Boyle – Boyle thanked the incumbent members. They are doing a great job and are appreciated by many. He would not sign the petition.

2. David Fry – Letter of Resignation. Fry read his letter aloud. Fry then stated that he has learned so much. He encourages the city to come back together again. We need to go forward, not backwards.

3. Presentation of "If I Were Mayor Contest" – Grace Bunge. Bunge read her letter aloud. Kepford presented Bunge with \$50.00 in Chamber bucks.

4. Betty Emrich, Senior Center – Emrich congratulated everyone on the council for all the good things they do. It is wonderful to have all the new trees, and that this is the third year on the Tree City USA awarded designation program. So proud of when all worked together so hard for Ragbrai.

Emrich asked why the Senior Center has not received the \$5,000.00 from the city that was voted on and approved unanimously at a previous council meeting. They have had a hard year, and are in need of a new oven which will cost \$8,800.00. She stated that Bobby Kaufmann was not able to attend the council meeting to speak and she apologized for that. She said that Bobby will be sending out a mailing to supporters for donations. They will accept any donations that anyone wants to give.

5. Jill Syring and Karla Chapman with Friends of the Animals would like to start registering and tagging animals so that if they are picked up, the owner can be contacted right away. The charge will be \$20.00, and the City would get \$10.00 of that. Friends of the Animals is going to move forward with ordering the tags.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Fry, second by Siech to approve the consent agenda which includes the November 16, 2015, Council Meeting Minutes. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

1. Clothing Contract, Tabled, October 5, 2015.
This item remains tabled.

Motions for Approval:

1. Claims list -

ALTORFER INC	HOSE & CAP #17	500.99
AUS WATERLOO MC LOCKBOX	MATS CITY HALL	207.28
BARRON MOTOR SUPPLY	SOLENOID #163	25.35
BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUP	300 KVA & 500 KVA TRANSFORMERS	29,199.64
CEDAR COUNTY AUDITOR	CITY ELECTION	2,273.96
CEDAR COUNTY ENGINEER	194.1 GL DSL AMB	2,465.75
CITY OF MECHANICSVILLE	MUTUAL AID	100.00
CJ COOPER & ASSOC INC	ANNUAL ADMIN FEE FOR 2016	35.00
CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN LLP	PROGRESS BILLING FOR AUDIT	1,500.00
CORTEZ TRUCK EQUIPMENT	CUTTING EDGES & BOLTS #15	171.04
D & R PEST CONTROL INC	CITY HALL	190.99
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & E	PARTS FAC	90.90
FLETCHER-REINHARDT CO.	UTILITY FLOOD LED	599.20
FRIENDS OF THE ANIMALS	4 DOGS, 1 CAT	575.00
FUTURE LINE LLC	MOTOR SEAL KIT #29	33.39
G & K SERVICES	UNIFORMS PUBLIC WORKS	704.48
GARDEN & ASSOCIATES INC	STREET IMPROVEMENTS 2015	1,382.81
GROEBNER & ASSOCIATES	10 REGULATOR SPRINGS GAS	60.88
H & H AUTO	TIRE PATCH #21	15.00
INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY PART	DATTO MONTHLY SERVICE	3,335.40
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF	7 OQ TESTS GAS	105.00
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	HANDBOOK-CLERK/FINANCE OFFICER	20.00
IOWA PAPER INC	FOAM WASH FOR SCRUBBER FIRE	119.16
JOHNSON COUNTY AMBULANCE	ALS SERVICE	200.00
KELLY TREE FARM	30 TREES SUBSTATION,1 TREE GS	1,285.00
KINUM INC	COLLECTION EXPENSE AMB	90.76
KLOCKE'S EMERGENCY VEHICLE	2016 SUPERLINER AMBULANCE	137,073.00
KOCH ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC INSTALL FOR AC AMB	567.59
KUNDE OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT	STARTER, SAFETY GLASSES TREES	52.80
LANDS' END BUSINESS OUTFIT	3 B/O SHIRTS & EMBROIDERY	74.90
LOVEWELL FENCING INC	BACKSTOP WORK ON 2 BALL FIELDS	6,360.00
LYNCH DALLAS PC	LEGAL SERVICES 9/3-10/16	1,626.50
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOLU	24 ELECTRIC METERS	1,258.82

MISC. VENDOR	GLOBAL:4 SOAP DISPENSERS FAC	210.88
MITCHELL 1	MONTHLY WEB SUBSCRIPTIONS	228.42
MUTUAL WHEEL CO	REPAIR PARTS #30	53.02
ODB COMPANY	BEARING BOOM SUPPORT #163	91.60
POOL TECH MIDWEST INC	PUMP SEAL KIT FAC	330.96
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	OXYGEN	39.90
RESCO	UNDERGROUND SUPPLIES	410.16
RVM LANDSCAPING LLC	SOD INSTALL & LABOR	350.00
SPAHN & ROSE LUMBER CO	INSTALLER BIT POWER PLANT	85.71
SPINUTECH INC	OCT EMAIL MARKETING	25.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	82.04
SUMMIT COMPANIES	FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICE	59.40
T & M CLOTHING CO.	3 TACTICAL COATS POLICE	239.00
TERRY DURIN COMPANY	4000' INNERDUCT	2,792.00
THOMAS HEATING & AIR	CHANGE SWITCH ON FURNACE EL	111.55
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE	YOUTH REC	694.21
TIPTON ELECTRIC MOTORS	MILWAUKEE COMBO KIT	500.81
TRANS-IOWA EQUIPMENT INC	PROX SWITCH #30	551.44
WALMART COMMUNITY	MISC SUPPLIES COMM DEV	51.57
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	81.2 TN ROAD ROCK SOUTH SPRUCE	816.06
WESCO RECEIVABLES CORP	15 LAMPS FOR FAC	4,089.58
WHITFIELD & EDDY PLC	FAC CONSTRUCTION CLAIM	235.00
TOTAL		204,348.90
	FUND TOTALS	
001 GENERAL GOVERNMENT		151,503.04
300 GO ST IMPROVEMENT PROJECT		1,382.81
315 JFKAC CP		235
600 WATER OPERATING		141.55
610 WASTEWATER/AKA SEWER REVE		59.33
630 ELECTRIC OPERATING		41,255.64
640 GAS OPERATING		668.49
660 AIRPORT OPERATING		29.93
670 GARBAGE COLLECTION		69.98
810 CENTRAL GARAGE		4,027.34
835 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		4,975.79
GRAND TOTAL		204,348.90

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

2. City Manager Hiring Process

Motion by Leeper, second by Spear to invite two search firms, Callahan Municipal Consultants and Brimeyer Fursman, to give proposals. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

3. AED Maintenance Contract

Motion by Siech, second by Leeper to approve the annual AED maintenance contract with Physio-Control in the amount of \$9,513.30. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

4. Publishing the City Council's Notice of Intent to Fill the City Council Vacancy for the At-Large Seat by Appointment

Motion by Fry, second by Siech to approve starting the appointment process as soon as possible. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

5. Petersen Industrial Engine Service, Inc. Invoices

Motion by Siech, second by Anderson to approve payment of three invoices to Petersen Industrial Engine Service, Inc., totaling \$16,160.28. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

6. Reimbursement of Running At Large Dog Fee to Dave Annen

Motion by Siech, second by Leeper to approve the reimbursement of the \$50.00 City impoundment fee to Dave Annen. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

7. Street Closure, 5th Street from Cedar to Lynn

Motion by Spear, second by Siech to approve closing 5th Street from Cedar to Lynn for the Tour of Lights Celebration on Saturday, December 12, from 4:00 to 9:00. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

8. Changing March City Council Meeting Dates

Motion by Anderson, second by Leeper to approve changing the March City Council meeting dates from March 7, and March 21, to March 14, and March 28. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

9. One-time Water, Sewer Exemption, 406 West 7th Street

Motion by Fry, second by Siech to approve the one time water and sewer exemption at 406 West 7th Street, reducing the water and sewer portion of each to \$11.58, with a total credit of \$75.66. Following the roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items (No action)

1.Video Recording of Council Meetings

Nosbisch stated he had brought this item to the City Council a little over a month ago and received lukewarm responses. He has since been asked by a few members of the community to bring it back to the Council. He recommends to video the meetings and put them on the website. Anyone could view them at the library since they have internet. It would be cheaper. It is a great way to get out to the public. He encourages moving forward.

Reports of Mayor/Council/Manager:

Mayor's Report

Thanked all for coming to the council meeting. It shows they care and she appreciates the support. She also thanked Floyd and Eldon for helping with the tree lighting. And, a big thank you to Linda for all she did planning it. It was magnificent with 60 to 80 people there. She stated to please come to the Tour of Lights on December 12.

Manager's Report:

Staff has included the annual Iowa League of Cities Budget Special Report. This document will run through items that have a net effect on the City of Tipton budget (ex. Rollback, IPERS contributions, road use tax, etc.). Staff has also included a notification that was received by the Mayor from the Iowa DOT regarding work to take place in the vicinity of IA130 and Plum Street. The DOT will just show up, they do not give an actual date. Just a quick reminder that the Tour of Lights Celebration will take place on Saturday, December 12. Festivities will be occurring throughout the downtown and any questions regarding the event can be directed towards the Economic Development office. Staff will have this reminder at the next meeting also, but garbage will be picked up on Wednesday, December 23, for those residents that have normal pickup on Friday. The city offices will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Adjourn:

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Mayor

Attest: _____
Deputy City Clerk

