

(The following is a synopsis of the minutes of the West Branch City Council meeting. The full text of the minutes is available for inspection at the City Clerk's office. The minutes are not approved until the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.)

**West Branch, Iowa
Council Chambers**

City Council Meeting

**November 9, 2010
6:30 p.m.**

Mayor Don Kessler opened the West Branch City Council meeting by welcoming the audience and the following City staff: City Administrator/Clerk Matt Muckler, City Attorney Bruce Goddard, Deputy City Clerk Dawn Brandt, Park and Rec Director Melissa Russell, Fire Chief Administrator Dick Stoolman, and Library Director Nick Shimmin.

Council members: Mark Worrell, David Johnson, Robert Sexton, Dan O'Neil and Jim Oaks.

Motion by Johnson and second by O'Neil to amend the agenda and remove item d) Approve Subdivider's Agreement for Pedersen Valley Part Five, An Addition to West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa. Motion approved.

APPROVE AGENDA/CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Johnson and second by Sexton to approve the agenda/consent agenda including the following items:

- a. Approve minutes from the October 18, 2010 City Council Meeting.
- b. Approve refund of \$294.10 to former Public Works Director Brian Brennan for the employee's portion of health insurance that was paid for August 2010.
- c. Approve the cancellation of the November 15, 2010 Council Meeting and reschedule the meeting for November 22, 2010.

Roll call vote – Ayes: Johnson, Sexton, Worrell, O'Neil, Oaks. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS/OPEN FORUM

Council member Robert Sexton said that the filter in their water softener at his residence was plugged and he is in the process of talking to his neighbors in the Bickford addition to have them check their softeners. This could be part of the water pressure issue in Bickford.

PUBLIC, DEPARTMENT HEADS, COMMISSIONS, CITY COUNCIL

Approve Resolution 914, Adopting High Quality Job Creation Program Funding Agreement/Move to action.

City Administrator Matt Muckler stated that someone from the opposing side, either Council Member Johnson or Oaks would need to make the motion.

Motion by Oaks, second by Sexton to adopt the High Quality Job Creation Program Funding Agreement. Roll call vote – AYES: Oaks, Sexton, Worrell, O'Neil. NAYS: Johnson. Motion carried.

Approve Resolution 912, Adopting the Cedar County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan/Move to action.

Cedar County Emergency Management Agency Director, Tim Malott explained that our plan expired in April of this year, this is a plan to mitigate a disaster such as a flood, and there is no financial obligation from the City. Council member Johnson would like a copy of the plan distributed to the Council before there is a vote.

Motion by Johnson, second by Sexton to table approving Resolution 912, Adopting the Cedar County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan until the next Council Meeting. Roll call vote – AYES: Johnson, Sexton, O'Neil, Oaks, Worrell. Motion carried.

Approve Resolution 915 to approve Final Plat for Pedersen Valley Part Five, Lots 38 and 39 of Pedersen Valley – Part Three – Phase Three, as recorded in Book 741 – Pages 275 to 296 and Lot 40 of Pedersen Valley – Part Three – Phase Two, as recorded in Book 719 – Pages 109 to 135, Cedar County Recorder's Office. Said Pedersen Valley – Part Five contains 2.83 Acres/Move to action.

Council member Mark Worrell stated he was at the Planning and Zoning meeting and everything looks good. Roger Laughlin from the Planning and Zoning Commission said that P & Z approved it.

Motion by Sexton second by Worrell to approve Resolution 915 to approve Final Plat for Pedersen Valley Part Five, Lots 38 and 39 of Pedersen Valley – Part Three – Phase Three, as recorded in Book 741 – Pages 275 to 296 and Lot 40 of Pedersen Valley – Part Three – Phase Two, as recorded in Book 719 – Pages 109 to 135, Cedar County Recorder's Office. Said Pedersen Valley – Part Five contains 2.83 Acres. Roll call vote – AYES: Sexton, Worrell, Johnson, O'Neil, Oaks. Motion carried.

Approve Resolution 917, directing Alliant Energy to install a street light on the southeast corner of Baker Avenue and Council Street using an existing pole for \$7/month/Move to action.

Motion by Sexton, second by Johnson to approve Resolution 917, directing Alliant Energy to install a street light on the southeast corner of Baker Avenue and Council Street using an existing pole for \$7/month. Roll call vote – AYES: Sexton, Johnson, Worrell, O'Neil, Oaks. Motion carried.

Approve 2010-2011 Snow Removal Agreement with National Park Service for winter snow removal and sanding operations on those portions of Parkside Drive, Second Street, and Cedar Street that belong to the NPS for a lump sum of \$5,000 due and payable on June 1, 2011/Move to action.

Council member Sexton asked if Matt talked to NPS about reviewing the agreement next year. City Administrator Matt Muckler stated that the revenue was approved for this budget year at \$4,800. NPS has agreed to payment of \$5,000 and Matt will discuss an actual cost for the service with NPS in the spring.

Motion by Worrell, and second by Sexton to approve 2010-2011 Snow Removal Agreement with National Park Service for winter snow removal and sanding operations on those portions of Parkside Drive, Second Street, and Cedar Street that belong to the NPS for a lump sum of \$5,000 due and payable on June 1, 2011. Roll call vote – AYES: Worrell, Sexton, Johnson, O'Neil, Oaks. Motion carried.

Approve forty-eight month Lanier LD533c-SPF Color Copier System Cost Per Image Agreement with Great American Leasing Corporation for a Monthly Base Amount of \$250.00 Plus \$0.011 black overages quarterly with copy allowance of 16,800 and \$0.069 per color copy./Move to action.

City Administrator Matt Muckler said that toner, and maintenance is included in the monthly cost. Ashley Borland-Kaalberg negotiated the copier deal and looked at many options. We will be paying less than the current lease and getting a color copier. Council member Johnson said that it was good pricing and a good deal.

Motion by Johnson, and second by O'Neil to approve forty-eight month Lanier LD533c-SPF Color Copier System Cost Per Image Agreement with Great American Leasing Corporation for a Monthly Base Amount of \$250.00 Plus \$0.011 black overages quarterly with copy allowance of 16,800 and \$0.069 per color copy. Roll call vote – AYES: Johnson, O'Neil, Worrell, Sexton, Oaks. Motion carried.

Approve Main Street West Branch Resolution 920, of Support and Main Street Iowa Program Agreement/Move to action.

Motion by Worrell and second by O'Neil to approve Main Street West Branch Resolution 920, of Support and Main Street Iowa Program Agreement. Roll call vote – AYES: Worrell, O'Neil, Sexton, Oaks. NAYS: Johnson. Motion carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

MAYOR DON KESSLER

Appointments/Reappointments

Beth Noe, Park and Recreation Commission, term expiring May 1, 2013.

Motion by Worrell and second by Sexton to appoint Beth Noe to Park and Recreation Commission. Roll call vote – AYES: Worrell, Sexton, Johnson, O'Neil, Oaks. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Police Chief David Bloem said that Crime Data Processor, Gina Heick will give the Police Department Monthly Report at the next Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Johnson to adjourn. City Council meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

MAYOR DON KESSLER

ATTEST: _____
CITY CLERK MATT MUCKLER