

**Minutes
City of Griswold
Regular Council Meeting
Council Chambers, January 5, 2009 6:00 p.m.**

The Griswold City Council met in regular session at City Hall. Mayor Putnam called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Council present: Bergstrom, Carlisle, Wyman. Absent: Rink, Shields. Shields arrived at 6:11 p.m.

Motion by Wyman to approve the agenda after moving item 6b – 307 Main St. property to after the consent agenda; second by Bergstrom. Approved 3-0.

Motion by Wyman to approve the following items under the Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of the December 1 & 15 regular meetings, December 8 special meeting.
- b. Claims.
- c. Employees overtime report.

Second by Bergstrom. Approved 3-0.

307 Main St. property (Davies). Motion by Carlisle to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code, Chapter 21.5, Paragraph 1, Subparagraph C to discuss matters that are presently in or will likely be in litigation; second by Wyman. Roll call vote – Ayes: Bergstrom, Carlisle, Wyman. Nays: none. Council went into closed session at 6:08 p.m.

Council returned to open session at 6:22 p.m.

Committee Reports: No report given regarding the security cameras. Committee will meet and hope to have a report at the next meeting.

Reports:

Community Building. Written report submitted by Manager, Shiona Putnam.

Public Works. Written report submitted by Kevin Jipsen. Council requested to have cost estimates for removal of the dangerous trees within the public right-of-way for the next meeting.

City Hall. Written report submitted by Clerk, Dawn Ridlen. Proposals were received from six engineering firms. It was agreed to have the committee of Shields and Wyman review the proposals and make a recommendation to the council on how to proceed.

Library. Written report submitted by Librarian, Cindy Miller.

Public Hearing on proposal to dispose of real property owned by the City of Griswold, Iowa. Mayor Putnam opened the public hearing and asked for any written or oral comments. There being none, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

Yard Waste Site hours. Matter was tabled to the next meeting.

Set date for budget work session. Work session was set for January 19th at 7:30 p.m. or immediately following the regular meeting.

2009 Appointments. Mayor tabled the appointments to the next meeting.

Public Works position. Ten applications were received for the position. Council agreed to have the committee of Shields and Bergstrom review the applications and recommend 3-4 for interviews.

Resolution 1-2009 Disposal of Real Property Owned by the City of Griswold, Iowa. Motion by Wyman to adopt Resolution 1-2009; second by Carlisle. Roll call vote – Ayes: Shields, Bergstrom, Carlisle, Wyman. Nays: none. Resolution 1-2009 adopted.

Public Comments. Moy Bejare questioned the amount of volunteers for the yard waste site and if the City had received a cost estimate for the clean up of “No Name Creek”. Council responded there are six volunteers and that Dave Peck was to turn the estimate in to Chuck Rieken.

Motion by Wyman to adjourn; second by Carlisle. Approved 4-0; 7:02 p.m.

Jerry Putnam
Mayor

Dawn Ridlen
City Clerk