

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS/BUDGET WORKSHOP
FEBRUARY 5, 2008
5:30 P.M.
SERGEANT BLUFF CITY HALL**

Mayor Petersen called the meeting to order.

Present: Kollbaum, Wood, Seward, Huser, Wendel.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence observed.

Motion by Wood, seconded by Seward to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/Action Items. Public Hearing for vicious animal complaint appeal (within seven days of January 30, 2008). Terry Harvey requested that the council give his dog another chance. Jean Thomas, his neighbor, stated that she did not blame the dog for killing her cat. After a discussion about safety issues and giving the dog another chance, there was a motion. Motion by Huser, seconded by Kollbaum to allow Terry Harvey to keep his dog, Buster, with restrictions, fixing the fence as soon as possible and if the dog ever got loose again, he would be removed immediately. The police department would inspect the rebuilt fence. Ayes: Huser, Kollbaum. Nay: Wood, Seward, Wendel. Motion failed 3-2. Terry was given 2 weeks to find a home for Buster.

Public Hearing to consider the following Ordinance to vacate public right-of-way – 4th Street lying Southeasterly of and adjacent to the Southeasterly line of Lot 8 of Block 7 of Blair's Addition. Administrator's report. The notice was published in the Advocate on January 31, 2008, for the public hearing on February 5, 2008. There were no written or oral comments. Council comments. Kollbaum does not want to suspend the rules and have all the readings this evening. Motion by Huser, seconded by Wood to close the public hearing. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Huser, seconded by Wendel to suspend the rules and waive the first and second readings on Ordinance No. 511, an Ordinance vacating a portion of 4th Street Right-of-Way. Ayes: Wood, Seward, Huser, Wendel. Nay: Kollbaum. Motion carried 4-1. Motion by Seward, seconded by Wood to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 511, an Ordinance vacating a portion of the 4th Street Right-of-Way. Ayes: Wood, Seward, Huser, Wendel. Nay: Kollbaum. Motion carried 4-1.

Holman Block Sidewalk options. Motion by Seward, seconded by Huser to remove the old step and put in the two step version. Motion carried 5-0.

Lift Station #5 is a holdover from a previous meeting. Motion by Seward, seconded by Huser to approve the proposed plans, specifications and form of contract for the construction of Lift Station #5 Influent Sewer & Forcemain Sergeant Bluff, Iowa and the taking of bids. Motion carried 5-0.

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Motion by Seward, seconded by Wood to award the construction contract for Lift Station #5 Influent Sewer & Forcemain Sergeant Bluff, Iowa to Lessard Construction, lowest bidder, in the amount of \$599,504.00. Discussion. Chris Jens, Veenstra & Kimm, stated that the difference in the engineers' estimate and the lowest bid was in the de-watering and the gravity sewer. The engineers will be working with the contractor to save money where possible. Motion carried 5-0. Settler's Point connection schedule and developer's fees were discussed.

Budget review: Mayor Petersen will be meeting with Jeff Peters on Wednesday to work with revenues and visit with Rick Aadland from Pioneer Bank. Thursday's topics could include sewer rate increase. There is a water treatment plant meeting scheduled for Friday.

Mayor Petersen adjourned the meeting.

Dale Petersen, Mayor

Candice Litras, City Clerk