

MINUTES

REGULAR MONTHLY SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL  
Council Chambers January 4, 1979 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Her Honor, Mayor Evelyn L. Schauland.

Roll Call: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen present.  
Ald. Robinson absent.

The opening prayer was given by Pastor William Keller.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

#3462. Ald. Waltman moved to approve the minutes of the In Depth Council meeting of December 14, 1978. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

#3463. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of December 21, 1978. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes; motion carried.

Mr. Phil Kenyon, President of Armira Corporation, was present to request that industrial revenue bonds be issued for Armira Corporation, a division of Akzona Inc., to finance the purchase of the Wolverine World Wide tannery on Musser Street. He reported on the financial status of the company and the plans for the proposed plant in Muscatine.

#3464. Ald. Platt moved to approve the resolution authorizing the execution of a memorandum of agreement by and between the City of Muscatine, Iowa, and Armira Corporation, regarding the issuance of Industrial Development Revenue Bonds. Second by Ald. Kemp. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

Mr. John Hilton, Atalissa, spoke regarding the regulations for snowmobiling and the reasoning behind snowmobiles not being allowed in the city limits. He stated that the snowmobiles do not leave ruts or prevent plant growth and stated that snowmobiles were used on several grocery calls during the recent snow storm. Mr. Hilton also commented on the fact that the sidewalks adjacent to the courthouse on Third and Walnut Streets have not been cleared.

#3465. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the renewal of a Class C beer/liquor license for James M. Stark, d/b/a Starky's Hutch, 426 Mulberry Avenue. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes; motion carried.

#3466. Ald. Koehrsen moved to approve the renewal of a Class C beer/liquor license for Jaeger Hotel Company, d/b/a Paddlewheel Lounge, 101-105 W. Mississippi Drive. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

#3467. Ald. Waltman moved to approve the renewal of a Class C beer/liquor license for Robert C. and Gaylie V. Doerres, d/b/a Ina Mae's, 403 W. Mississippi Drive. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes; motion carried.

#3468. Ald. Waltman moved to approve a new Class C liquor license for Richard L. and Elvira J. Schmelzer, d/b/a Mae's Tap, 202 W. 2nd Street. Second by Ald. Kemp. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland submitted the name of David Boland to replace Lemuel Massey on the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

#3469. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the appointment of David Boland to serve on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland submitted the name of Robert Schmidt to be reappointed to the Cemetery Advisory Commission.

#3470. Ald. Platt moved to approve the reappointment of Robert Schmidt to the Cemetery Advisory Commission. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland announced that the retiring member of the Cemetery Commission who had previously been replaced is Olga Piersall and not Florence Hanson as was announced at the last meeting.

Mayor Schauland read a proclamation proclaiming the month of January, 1979, as "Alien Address Report Month."

#3471. Ald. Waltman moved to approve the proclamation proclaiming the month of January, 1979, as "Alien Address Report Month." Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland read a proclamation proclaiming the month of January, 1979, as "Iowa Chop Month."

#3472. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the proclamation proclaiming the month of January, 1979, as "Iowa Chop Month." Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

#3473. Ald. Kemp moved to amend the ordinance amending Title VII, Chapter 14 of the Municipal Code entitled Parking Meters. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen. Motion carried.

#3474. Ald. Kemp moved to suspend the customary readings and pass the ordinance on second and final reading amending Title VII, Chapter 14 of the Municipal Code entitled Parking Meters and direct it to be published in the Muscatine Journal. Second by Ald. Koehrsen. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen. Motion carried and ordinance adopted on second and final reading.

#3475. Ald. Waltman moved to approve the ordinance on first reading vacating a part of an alley in the Joseph E. Hoopes Second Addition and authorizing and directing the sale. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen. Motion carried and ordinance approved on first reading.

#3476. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the ordinance on first reading adding Title X, Chapter 2, Section 2 of the City Code to regulate open burning and to provide for the burning of leaves during certain portions of the year. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen. Motion carried and ordinance approved on first reading.

Ald. Platt expressed his concern on the requirement that smoke detectors be wired directly to the power supply as stated in the proposed ordinance requiring smoke detectors in all commercial and residential buildings in the City of Muscatine.

Ald. Rada expressed concern on enforcement of the proposed smoke detector ordinance stating that according to the proposed ordinance, smoke detectors would not be required unless a change of occupancy occurred. He also questioned how the ordinance would be enforced.

#3477. Ald. Kemp moved to schedule a public hearing on February 1st at 7:20 p.m. for citizen input regarding the proposed ordinance to require smoke detectors in all commercial and residential buildings in the City and to defer action on the ordinance until more discussion is held and more information is available. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes; motion carried.

City Administrator Nollenberger reported that the judge in the Lindley and Tom Hoopes condemnation proceedings has awarded \$4,500 to Lindley and Tom Hoopes in exchange for the City's easement to construct a sanitary sewer line from Cantaloupe Street to Stewart Road. He also reported that a verbal agreement with Fred Hoopes has been obtained providing for Mr. Hoopes to have the right to hook up to the sewer line in exchange for the easement across his property.

#3478. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the resolution approving contract and bond for

Sulzberger Excavating, Inc. for construction of sanitary sewer line from Cantaloupe Street to Stewart Road. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

City Administrator Nollenberger explained that the request for an administrative assistant included in the resolution amending the City pay and classification plan was a reclassification of the administrative secretary position in the Community Development Department in order to more accurately reflect the job duties and to bring the compensation level up to the rate of positions requiring similar abilities. Arlen Wiggs, Community Development Director, stated that the person formerly performing this job had been paid at a higher salary and that he felt he could no longer require the position of administrative secretary to perform these duties under the current job description and pay level.

#3479. Ald. Kemp moved to take no action on the resolution amending the pay and classification plan and request that the two positions included in the resolution be separated into two separate resolutions. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Waltman, Rada, Hilton, Kemp and Koehrsen. Motion carried.

#3480. Ald. Hilton moved to defer action on the resolution accepting completed work performed by Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company for the Oregon Street railroad crossing and request the City Administrator to send a letter to the company regarding the problem of the crossing signals not working properly. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes; motion carried.

#3481. Ald. Platt moved to approve the amendment to a grant and forgivable loan for rehabilitation. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

#3482. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the application for use of highway right-of-way by Northwestern Bell Telephone Company. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes; motion carried.

City Administrator Nollenberger discussed the budget schedule for consideration of the 1979/80 budget as presented. Ald. Koehrsen stated that the County Board of Supervisors has agreed to meet with Council on January 15, at 7 p.m. to discuss requests for funding from various agencies.

#3483. Ald. Hilton moved to receive and file communications received. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes; motion carried.

#3484. Ald. Waltman moved to approve the bills totaling \$465,688.09 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to issue warrants for the same. Second by Ald. Koehrsen. All ayes; motion carried.

Ald. Platt stated that he felt the Street Department had done a good job on snow removal after the recent storm.

(Ald. Robinson arrived at the meeting at 8:50 p.m.)

Ald. Koehrsen questioned when the recodification of the City Code book would be done. Corporation Counsel Harvey Allbee, Jr., stated that the Legal Department is currently in the process of recodification.

#3485. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the Traffic Committee recommendation to move the loading zone on Second Street between Iowa Avenue and Chestnut Street to the opposite side of the street in the first parking stall. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes; motion carried.

#3486. Ald. Kemp moved to accept the Traffic Committee recommendation to place a stop sign on Kemper at Oregon Street. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

#3487. Ald. Kemp moved to accept the Traffic Committee recommendation to place a yield sign on Clinton Street at Hershey Avenue and remove the stop sign. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland requested Council concurrence for the City Administrator to speak at a seminar on the "Elected Official's Role in Budget Process" which he would attend on January 26 while taking one day of vacation.

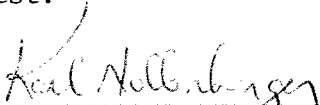
#3488. Ald. Platt moved to approve the request for the City Administrator to speak at a seminar on the "Elected Official's Role in Budget Process" on January 26 while on vacation. Second by Ald. Koehrsen. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland announced that a \$10.00 memorial donation has been received for the new park from Mrs. Sally Stiles.

#3489. Ald. Platt moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ald. Kemp. All ayes; motion carried.

  
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Evelyn L. Schauland, Mayor

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Karl Nollenberger, City Clerk