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I, Beth Lester, being duly sworn, on my oath, say that I am an advertising clerk at the *Muscatine Journal*, a newspaper of general circulation, published in the City of Muscatine, Muscatine County, Iowa; and that the following notice:

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Budget Session Minutes
February 9, 2004

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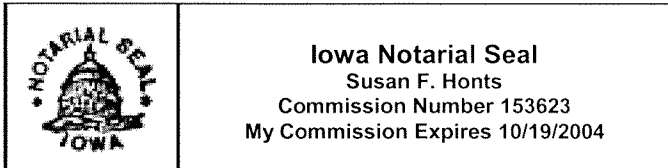
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**STATE OF IOWA
MUSCATINE COUNTY**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
3rd day of March 2004

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Susan F. Honts, Notary Public



be eliminated as well by layoff. The City Administrator explained that there was a possibility that another position might come open within the city offices and that this individual will be encouraged to apply.

There was also discussion concerning the progress on the "Top Ten" list developed by the Building & Zoning Department. There was discussion concerning the potential for additional demolition associated with these properties.

The next budget to review was the Wellness budget. Heather Carlson from the Parks & Recreation office was present to answer questions from Council. Following this discussion, Council moved on to review Parks Administration, Parks Maintenance, Soccer, Swimming Pools, Recreation and Cemetery activities. Representing the Parks & Recreation Department were Director Larry Wolf, Assistant Director Rich Klimes, Parks Maintenance Supervisor (temporary) Cathy Chalupa, Facilities Supervisor/Manager Kevin Voss, and Program Supervisor Jack Savage.

There was discussion by Councilmembers concerning all aspects of the Parks & Recreation activities. It was suggested by Parks & Recreation Director Wolf that the Council take formal action on the recommendation for golf fees for the 2004 season. If there is going to be a change, it would be necessary to take action at this time in order to make sufficient notification to the public.

Motion approved to adopt the fee recommendation for schedule for the 2004 season which includes a \$1.00 increase in adult fees, leaving the season pass at the same level for adult and for seniors and reducing the junior pass from \$180 to \$150.

Under the cemetery discussion, it was noted that the contract for services with the private group will be presented to City Council at the February 19, 2004 City Council meeting for approval. There was also discussion concerning the cast concrete pillars at the cemetery and what options the city may have in the future by either repairing, removing or replacing them with something different. Also the city staff informed Council that the storage building that was to be declared as surplus property will

now be used by other city departments. Before the adjournment of the meeting, it was the consensus from Council that the city should begin with the removal of the Lincolnshire Park. This will be completed by July 1, 2004. With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
A.J. Johnson
City Administrator

**CITY OF MUSCATINE
BUDGET SESSION
MINUTES
Lower Level
Conference Room
February 9, 2004**

Mayor Dick O'Brien called the City Council budget session for Monday, February 9, 2004, to order at 4:30 p.m. Councilmembers present were Lesnet, Trent, Shihadeh, Fitzgerald, Root, Lange, and Day. Also present were City Administrator A.J. Johnson and Director of Administrative Services David Casstevens.

The first departmental budget review for the evening was that of Community Development. This included the Community Development offices and the Building & Zoning offices. Kevin Whittaker and Steve Boka were both present to review departmental activities with City Council. The biggest forthcoming change will be the pending retirement of Kevin Whittaker as the Director of Community Development. That position will not be refilled at this time. Also, once this position becomes vacant, the Office Coordinator position for that department will