

**MUSCATINE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES - BUDGET SESSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1995, 4:30 PM**

The budget review session was called to order by Mayor Jeanette Phillips. Council Members present: Kevin Fitzgerald, Phil Fitzgerald, Gary Gray, Dan Gray, Ralph Freese, Glenn Moench, and Dick O'Brien.

Staff members present: City Administrator A.J. Johnson and Finance Director David Casstevens.

The first item on the agenda for discussion and review was Parks and Recreation Administration. There were several questions concerning the number of activities relating to administrative actions within the Parks and Recreation Administration Department. There was also discussion on Park Maintenance, Swimming Pools, Recreation, Soccer, Kent Stein Operation, Wellness, and Cemetery.

Within the Cemetery operation, there was discussion about the sale of property which is the "cemetery farm" located on Mulberry Avenue outside the city limits. Council was informed that staff is acquiring an appraisal of this property. Per earlier discussions, it is the intent to offer the property for sale and to utilize those funds generated for a capital improvement at the Greenwood Cemetery.

There was also a question concerning joint purchasing of lawn mowers for all departments, whether or not the city could run an election this fall to dispose of park property, and various questions concerning the purchase of equipment.

The council then discussed Community Development and Building and Zoning operations. In the general discussion, there were questions concerning the possible need for an update of the city's sign ordinance and other procedures in order to establish a more user friendly environment.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A.J. Johnson', written over a horizontal line.

A.J. Johnson
City Administrator