

February 13, 2017

The Greene City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 13, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the Greene Community Center with Mayor James O'Brien presiding. Council members present were Marilyn Folkers, Al Zweck, Denise Shreve, Scott Watkins and Ben Backer. Also present were Cory Wiegmann, Rick and Melinda Ritter, Bev Schuknecht, Jeff Lewis and Steve Thompson.

Motion by Folkers/Zweck to approve the January 23rd minutes. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Motion by Zweck/Folkers to approve a building permit for RBA Investments, LLC for a commercial building at 110th St and Hwy 14. The permit will be approved providing the following conditions are met: The placement of an 8' fence on the north and west sides of the property and that all the existing buildings with the exception of the house be removed. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Discussion regarding street level apartments is tabled until further information from FEMA is made available.

Backer introduced Resolutions 2017-04, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENE, IOWA, CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING A LOBBY POLICY GOVERNING THE LOBBYING OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT PERSONNEL AND/OR DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PERSONNEL and RESOLUTION 2017-05, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENE, IOWA, ACTIVELY PROMOTING FAIR HOUSING FOR THE CITY OF GREENE, IOWA and moved for their adoptions. Seconded by Watkins. Roll was called and the vote was AYES: Watkins, Backer, Shreve, Folkers and Zweck. NAYS: None. MC

Watkins introduced Resolution 2017-06, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE IOWA NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (INRCOG) FOR THE TECHNICAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION RELATED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT (CONTRACT #16-OT-005) WITH THE IOWA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Shreve. Roll was called and the vote was AYES: Watkins, Shreve, Backer, Folkers and Shreve. NAYS: None. MC

Backer introduced Resolution 2017-07, A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AUTHORIZATION OF A GENERAL OBLIGATION EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Folkers. Roll was called and the vote was AYES: Backer, Folkers, Shreve, Watkins and Zweck. NAYS: None. MC

WHEREUPON the Mayor declared Resolutions 2017-04, 2017-05, 2017-06 and 2017-07 duly adopted. (Mayor's signature affixed and made a permanent part of these minutes.)

Damage to the shop floor was discussed. Cory is sending photos to Short-Elliot-Hendrickson. At the March meeting they will present their proposal for engineering services.

Motion by Watkins/Backer to appoint Isaac Almeliem and Audrey Smith to the swimming pool board for 3 year terms beginning 1-1-17. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Melinda Ritter, Deputy Clerk, spoke with the Council about considering the possibility of being offered benefits and possibly more hours. Council directed Mayor to speak with City Attorney and to find out the cost to include on City's insurance for employee only coverage. Will be discussed further at the March meeting.

Motion by Zweck/Folkers to pay the claims. Roll call, all ayes. MC

Motion by Folkers/Watkins to adjourn at 6:28.

Signed: _____
James O'Brien, Mayor

Attest: _____
Jayne Knapp