

The second meeting of February for the Denver City Council, Bremer County, Iowa was held on Monday February 21, 2005 at the Denver City Hall Council Chambers. Council members present were Terry Dehmlow, Rod Diercks, Lyle Faust, Mike Isaacson and Sara Oltrogge.

Mayor Moeller called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

Motion Diercks, second Oltrogge to approve the agenda. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

Motion Isaacson, second Faust to approve the minutes of February 7, 2005. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

Police Chief Gary Everding distributed copies of resumes received from the two police officer candidates to be interviewed this evening. Chief Everding then presented Andrew Bedard to the City Council. The Council interviewed Mr. Bedard for the position of Police Officer with the City of Denver. Mr. Bedard is presently pursuing a Criminology Degree from the University of Northern Iowa. Chief Everding then presented Matthew Tiedt for his interview the City Council. Mr. Tiedt is currently a certified Police Officer with the City of Fayette. After completing the interviews the Council discussed each candidates strengths and weaknesses.

Motion Isaacson, second Faust to extend an offer of employment to Matthew P. Tiedt at an annual salary of \$28,500 based on a 86 hour pay period, with a six-month probation period. After a successful probationary period his annual salary will be \$29,500. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

No one spoke during the Public Forum.

Motion Faust, second Dehmlow to approve Resolution No. 8-2005 to set a date for a Public Hearing on the FY 2006 City Budget for March 7, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

No one was present for the Denver Greater Activities Foundation discussion of the Athletic Complex Phase II.

The Council discussed sharing a Park & Recreation Director with the duties of the new Athletic Director with the Denver Community School District. Mayor Moeller explained that this was his idea to combine the positions a Park & Recreation director with the school's Athletic Director. The person to fill this position would schedule games and practices at city and school facilities. They would also be responsible for registering kids throughout the year for the different activities. Mayor Moeller had discussed this possibility with Superintendent Kathy Gilbert and based on their conversations it could amount to approximately a \$6,000 cost to the City. Councilman Dehmlow asked why the City would be interested in funding this position now since previously it has never been funded. Councilman Isaacson felt discussions concerning this position should have been held three months ago and the timing of doing something now was not right. Councilman Dehmlow felt sharing of these positions would be muddying the water since the Athletic Director is very busy during the winter months that time for Park & Recreation activities would suffer. Councilman Faust did not want to be pushed too quick into this decision. Councilwoman Oltrogge felt the City may be better off with its own employee for the Park &

Recreation Director. At this time the City Council is not interested in having a Park & Recreation Director share duties with the Denver Community School's Athletic Director position.

Blane Benham of Black Hawk Waste was present to discuss picking up commercial businesses without dumpsters. Black Hawk Waste is willing to provide this service at a monthly cost of \$11.00 per month with a two-bag minimum and curb side recycling. The Council established a rate of \$14/month for weekly garbage collection and weekly curbside recycling collection for commercial businesses without dumpsters and the monthly charge will be added to the businesses monthly utility bill. The Council would like a letter sent to all commercial businesses and find out the solid waste collection firm they are presently using for trash collection.

Brett Klemp of Klemp Excavating and Brent Steege of Denver Underground & Grading Inc. submitted hourly rates for equipment and labor and certificates of insurance to perform underground emergency excavations for water leaks or other infrastructure problems since Denver Construction will no longer be available to perform these service for the City of Denver after March of 2005. Since the hourly rates were similar the Council wanted to give each firm a try and see how they perform and work with our city employees during emergencies.

Motion Dehmlow, second Oltrogge to approve a Class C Beer Permit for Kwik Trip Inc. d/b/a Kwik Star #701. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

The City of Janesville has requested purchasing the stoplights from Denver. The council will publish a notice in the Forum and accept sealed bids for the purchase of the stoplights. The successful high bidder will be responsible for removing the stoplights.

Motion Dehmlow, second Faust to approve closing the one block area of Franklin Street between the Denver Elementary School and City Park for the Sesquicentennial Celebration that includes a carnival, games and a Flea Market in City Park. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

Motion Faust, second Diercks to approve a two-year appointment of Darrel Morrow to the Denver Park & Recreation Board. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

In Other Business the Council discussed setting camping fees effective July 1, 2005 at \$10.00 per night and \$15.00 per day for park shelter reservations.

Motion Diercks, second Dehmlow to adjourn. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

Jim Moeller, Mayor

ATTEST:

Larry Farley, City Clerk/Admin.