

The second meeting of December for the Denver City Council, Bremer County, Iowa was held on Monday December 19, 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 7:02 p.m.

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

Motion Faust, second Oltrogge to approve the minutes of December 5, 2005. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

No one spoke during the Public Forum.

Dave Thurm addressed the Council regarding the curb & gutter elevation being the same around the radius that adjoins his property at the intersection of Lincoln Street and Schneider Street. Mr. Thurm explained that it was his understanding before the project was started that the reason for replacing the curb & gutter was due to a change in elevation. He also explained that he now has a handicap ramp in the curb & gutter where the sidewalk would be installed in the future and that he does not want sidewalk. Mr. Thurm felt the patch in the new street should have been larger and questions whether it will last very long. Mr. Thurm felt the City should have informed property owners that were going to be assessed earlier than when they were notified by letter. Mark Durbahn of Earthtech explained that the City has a two-year Maintenance Bond with the contractor in the event the patched in area would fail. Mayor Moeller explained that Fayette Street is planned for total reconstruction in 2007 and this will mean special assessments to the property owners along Fayette Street.

Denver Park Board Members Jennifer Haltom, Shane Bohlmann and Jeremie Peterson were present to update the Council on activities offered by the Denver Park & Recreation Board this past fall and what is planned for this winter. Jennifer Haltom explained plans to construct covers over the dugouts at the Little Prestien Park Ball Diamond. They are requesting to use part of the \$2,000 budgeted for park improvements to pay for the materials needed to construct the covers. They have volunteer labor lined up to build the covers in March or April of 2006. Jennifer Haltom also informed the Council that local businesses have sponsored summer and winter programs through advertising on the back of the shirts used during the activities. Business sponsorships has allowed the Park & Recreation Board to keep registration down for parents and has provided new equipment for the programs being offered.

Motion Isaacson, second Faust to approve the Denver Park & Recreation Board to spend up to \$2,000 for materials to construct covers over the dugouts at Little Prestien Park Ball Diamond. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

Mark Durbahn of Earthtech explained the cost estimate for Schneider Street Extension. The estimated cost to complete Schneider Street in Phase I of the Schumacher 3rd Addition is \$40,330. The estimated cost to complete Schneider Street from the end of Phase I of the Schumacher 3rd Addition to the south end of the subdivision is \$276,365. Mark Durbahn explained the need for water and sanitary sewer infrastructure to be included in order to allow future development to the south and for fire protection and water main looping purposes. The costs would be split 50/50 between Marv Schumacher and the Denver Community School District. Mayor Moeller felt

Schneider Street should be a full service street with all utility infrastructure installed and service connections completed just as they would on any other street. Councilman Dehmlow was in total agreement with Mayor Moeller. Councilman Dehmlow felt item number 9 - 8" PVC sanitary sewer main, item number 10 sanitary sewer service stub, item number 11 sanitary sewer manhole and item number 12- 8" ductile iron pipe water main, have to be included and that they are critical and vital in order to extend water and sanitary sewer services to the south for future development. The Council directed copies of the cost estimates to be forwarded to the Denver Community School District and to Marv Schumacher.

Mark Durbahn explained that Brent Steege is preparing a price for repairing the Fayette Street Bridge. The repair work includes using flowable mortar to fill a void behind the abutment in order to avoid the west bridge approach from settling. After injecting the flowable mortar select backfill will be used to backfill the abutment and engineered fabric will be placed before being covered with riprap. Mark Durbahn will be securing the cost to perform this by January and would like to start work on the project by March of 2006. Mayor Moeller requested phone calls be made to the I.D.O.T. to see if and funding is available for this type of repair.

Councilman Isaacson explained that Matt Tiedt's evaluation had been completed and the General Government & Community Economic Development Committee is recommending a \$1,000 salary increase retroactive to six-months after his date of hire.

Motion Isaacson, second Oltrogge to approve a \$1,000 salary increase for Matt Tiedt effective with the 1st pay period in September of 2005. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

Councilman Isaacson explained that Linda Krueger's evaluation had been completed and the General Government & Community Economic Development Committee is recommending a \$0.25/hour pay increase retroactive to six-months after her date of hire.

Motion Isaacson, second Faust to approve a \$0.25 per hour increase for Linda Krueger effective with her six-month anniversary date. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None.

The Council discussed the rental charge and deposits for using the Denver Community Room by church groups. The Council decided to not give church groups special consideration and will charge them the same rates as other groups or individuals that rent the Community Room. No changes were made to the Community Room Rental Policy.

In Other Business Councilman Isaacson thanked Councilman Dehmlow and Councilwoman Oltrogge and Mayor Moeller for their time and efforts they have put into the community. Mayor Moeller said he has a great sense of pride for his community and wishes the best for all the newly elected officials.

Motion Oltrogge, second Dehmlow to adjourn. AYES: Dehmlow, Diercks, Faust, Isaacson, Oltrogge. NAYS: None. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jim Moeller, Mayor

Larry Farley, City Clerk/Admin.