

Present: M. Meyer, Bushman, Holthaus and Langreck arrived at 5:10 pm.

Absent: E. Meyer

Zak Kriener from the Ossian Bee and Don Dilaura and Brian Zweibohmer were present during the meeting.

Mayor Covell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Officer Joe Ward gave the police report noting it was a typical month including an accident and written citations being issued. Ward, the Council and Ken Witt discussed junk vehicles at 209 Fisher Avenue.

Langreck arrived at 5:10 pm.

Langreck made a motion approving the following consent items December 1, 2014 council minutes, clerk's reports and the monthly bills, seconded by Holthaus, carried, one absent.

Planning continues for the improvements proposed for Carey's Park. Steps needed to get the concrete work done for the pavilion is the focus at hand.

The Mayor and Council discussed sections of the City Code giving consideration to changes that may be implemented during the re-codifying process of the City's Code of Ordinances.

A general discussion was held concerning the FY2016 Budget including: property tax revenues, repairs needed for the sewer system, debt payments, street repairs, health insurance, wages, equipment, building operations and other miscellaneous expenses. Further consideration of the FY2016 Budget will be made at the February 2nd council meeting.,

Bushman made a motion approving a request made to the IDOT by the Trails Unlimited Snowmobile Club, allowing the club's trail to cross Hwy 52 at Carey's Park, seconded by M. Meyer, carried, one absent.

M. Meyer made a motion approving the renewal of Casey's General Store's Beer/Sunday Sales/Native Wine Permit, seconded by Holthaus, carried, one, absent.

Bushman made a motion re-appointing Joyce Bakewell to the Regional Housing Board for a three year term, seconded by M. Meyer, carried, one absent.

The Council reviewed an estimate submitted by Dennis Hageman Const to build a storage room in the community center's boiler room and gave the go ahead to proceed with the project. The current budget included funding for the project.

The city clerk reported meeting with Attorney Rick Zahasky regarding economic development options available to the City. After discussing the matter, the city clerk was directed to contact Zahasky for additional planning information.

There was a general discussion concerning recent problems taking place at CoOpportunity, the City's health insurance provider. Bushman Insurance recommended the City drop the health insurance coverage provided by CoOpportunity and seek out a new health insurance provider. Health coverage plans submitted from Wellmark Blue Cross of Iowa were reviewed. M. Meyer made a motion to cancel health insurance coverage with CoOpportunity effective January 31, 2015 and enroll the City's full-time employees in Wellmark Blue Cross of Iowa's myBlue HSA Gold 2000 Gold plan effective February 1, 2015, seconded by Holthaus, carried, with Bushman abstaining and one absent.

Concerns with city vehicles being parked inside city buildings and where the snow plow should be housed were topics for discussion.

Bushman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Langreck, carried, one absent. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

Regular Meeting
January 5, 2015

December 2014 Expenses					
Acentek-phone/internet charges	463.33	IIW Engineers-services	609.50	December payroll	10537.65
Aflac-employee deduction	161.52	IA State Revolving Loan-interest pymt	1020.00	Total	42078.96
Alliant Energy-elect. utilities	5035.57	IPERS-December Ipers	2027.55	December 2014 Expenses by Fund	
Baker & Taylor-library books	268.45	Joyce Bakewell-mtgs reimb	258.98	General	24004.41
Becker Hardware-misc. supp/repair	68.24	Jude Zweibohmer-mtg reimb	10.12	Road Use	2973.52
Beckmans Ace Hdwe-misc supplies	63.94	Junior Library Guild-books	396.00	Employee Benefits	830.88
Black Hills Energy-gas utilities	1201.13	Keystone Lab-lab fees	182.50	Debt Service	1020.00
Cardmember Service-library supp.	41.71	Luana Savings Bank-h.s.a. pymt & fees	320.00	Water	6290.88
Casey's-vehicle operations	137.29	Malcom Enterprises-garbage service	5040.75	Sewer	6959.27
Center Point Large Print-books	148.22	MidAmerica Books-books	227.21	Total	42078.96
City Laundering-services	80.04	Midwest Tape-videos	174.21	December 2014 Receipts	
Collection Service Ctr- employ.deduct.	990.00	Ossian Lumber Co-operating supplies	724.54	General	43343.96
Coportunity Health Ins-mnthly premium	1550.08	Post Office-postage	193.84	Road Use Tax	6346.49
Data Technologies-software services	1442.33	Postville Vet Clinic-UPS chgs	39.00	Employee Benefits	972.95
Demco-library supplies	65.58	Reilly Const-street maint.	175.00	Emergency	180.73
Don Dilaura-mtgs reimb	426.64	Riley's Inc-operating supp	30.00	Local Option Tax	7914.75
Don Dilaura-reimb operating supplies	735.84	Rite Price Office Supp.-office supplies	227.99	Library Trust	110.00
Farmers Union Coop- supp.&property	364.04	IRS-December Federal deposit	4003.01	Debt Service	1146.39
Gundersen Medical Center-services	51.00	Susan Davis-book	15.00	Water	12263.25
Hawkins-operating supplies	10.00	Taste of Home-book	31.98	Sewer	14210.51
		Treas State of Iowa-4th qtr tax	2433.00	Total	86489.03
		U.S. Cellular-phones & services	96.18		