

Present: Holthaus, Beckman, Meyer, Langreck, Lienau.  
Absent: None.  
Zak Kriener from the Ossian Bee was present during the meeting.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

The owner of the property at 109 Old Sewer Road met with the Council regarding nuisance issues on his property. Council members Holthaus and Lienau met with the owner in July to inspect the property and noted there is junk on the property, but it is organized and the fence surrounding it approves the appearance. A main concern brought up is to whether or not a junk yard business can be located in a residential district. Steven Belay, the city's attorney, reviewed the city's code of ordinances and told those present that the junk yard is a nuisance and therefore does violate the city code. As a result the City has the right to require the nuisance to be abated. A motion was made by Beckman to set a public hearing for the Sept 2016 meeting to proceed with abatement of the nuisances located at 109 Old Sewer Road, seconded by Meyer. Motion failed with Beckman and Meyer voting yes and Holthaus, Langreck and Lienau voting no. More discussion followed with Attorney Belay advising the Council as to options that may be available allowing the operation of a business, with nuisances on the property, in a residential district. The Council advised the property owner to come back with documents proving he is operating a business. The property owner will then need to apply for a Special Use Permit requesting permission to conduct the business in a Residential District. The property owner indicated he is waiting for paperwork from the IDOT and will get back to the Council as soon as that is received. The City will continue seeking legal advice from Belay to assure the matter is dealt with appropriately.

Officer Ward gave the police report noting various routine citations and incidents occurring during the month.

Bob Larkin from Light Source Central explained to the Mayor and Council LED lighting options available they may want to consider for the community center building.

The Council reviewed maps, prepared by a representative from the DNR, showing location, what type and the condition of trees on city property. The focus is to eventually establish a plan to deal with ash trees and the emerald ash bore problem. Karl Schroeder was present and participated in the discussion.

Holthaus made a motion approving the following consent items: July 6, 2016 council minutes, clerk's reports and the monthly bills, seconded by Meyer, carried.

The Mayor and Council reviewed an engineers update on various items concerning the Jessie, Brooks, West Street Paving Project.

Langreck made a motion introducing **Ordinance #70**, an ordinance amending the Municipal Code of the City by amending provisions pertaining to building and land use regulations, seconded by Holthaus.

Whereupon the Mayor put the question on the motion and the following named Council Members voted:

Ayes: Holthaus, Langreck, Lienau, Beckman, Meyer.

Nays: None.

Whereupon the Mayor declared said motion approved.

Langreck made a motion requesting the second and third readings for **Ordinance #70** be waived and Ordinance #70 be passed and approved, seconded by Beckman.

Whereupon the Mayor put the question on the motion and the following named Council Members voted:

Ayes: Holthaus, Langreck, Lienau, Beckman, Meyer.

Nays: None.

Whereupon the Mayor declared said motion approved with Ordinance #70 becoming effective upon publication.

Beckman made a motion introducing **Resolution #568**, a resolution approving the FY16 Street Finance Report, seconded by Meyer.

Whereupon the Mayor put the question on the motion and the following named Council Members voted:

Ayes: Holthaus, Langreck, Lienau, Beckman, Meyer.

Nays: None.

Whereupon the Mayor declared said motion approved.

The city clerk presented the FY16 Annual Financial Report to the Mayor and Council for review.

A cost estimate to restore/rehabilitate the cabin in Carey's park was reviewed by the Mayor and Council. It was noted there has been inquires about removing the cabin and rebuilding elsewhere. The Council will continue to weigh the options available before any decision is made as to the cabins future outcome.

Following review of proposals submitted, Holthaus made a motion hiring Doug Egeland Tiling to replace the storm sewer in the alley behind the businesses along the 100 Block of East Main Street, seconded by Meyer, carried.

Meyer made a motion approving building permits for both Brian Manning and Joe Kriener, seconded by Lienau, carried.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the September regular council meeting will be held Wednesday September 7, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Lienau made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Langreck, carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Attest:: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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Mayor

<b>July 2016 Expenses</b>		Iowa Codification-services	235.00	Wiltgen Construction-sand	46.90
Acentek-phone/internet charges	460.75	Iowa League of Cities-dues	683.00	Winn. Co. Development-contribution	1267.00
Aflac-employee deduction	165.84	Iowa One Call-locate service	51.30	Winn. Co. Engineer-supplies	102.42
Baker & Taylor-library books	604.66	IPERS-July Ipers	2137.19	Ziegler-equip repair	1.72
Becker Hardware-supplies	86.41	John Deere Financial-repair/supplies	129.71	July payroll	7764.77
Black Hills Energy-gas utilities	155.26	Keith Lee-maint supplies	69.39		<b>59774.74</b>
Book Look-library books	281.81	Keystone Lab-lab fees	265.00	<b>July 2016 Expenses by Fund</b>	
Cardmember Services-libr supplies	254.12	Kyle Meyer-services	540.00	General	23425.59
Casey's-vehicle operations	345.39	L&B Electric-repair	510.97	Road Use	7252.54
City Laundering-services	201.44	Luana Savings Bank-h.s.a.pymt	450.00	Employee Benefits	849.50
Decorah Tire Service-repair	45.81	Malcom Enterprises-garbage service	4873.10	Library Trust	247.00
Diamond Vogel Paint-supplies	885.60	Midwest Tape-videos	15.74	Capitol Project	15320.00
DNR-permit fee	103.95	Mower Power-mower	239.20	Water	3674.60
Doug Egeland Tiling-maint services	150.00	NEIA Regional Housing Trust-contribut	1000.00	Sewer	9005.51
Family Circle Magazine-subscription	12.99	NEIA Comm. Action-contribution	633.75	<b>Total</b>	<b>59774.74</b>
Family Support Pymt Ctr-pymt service	1778.00	Ossian Little League-contribution	1600.00	<b>July 2016 Receipts</b>	
Farmers Union Coop-supplies	203.33	Ossian Post Office-postage	191.84	General	10050.98
Fayette Publishing-publication fee	125.49	People Magazine-subscription	116.07	Road Use Tax	7864.07
Goodhousekeeping-subscription	37.42	Postville Vet Clinic-UPS chgs	45.50	Employee Benefits	271.94
Grout Museum District-library services	247.00	Reminisce-subscription	29.98	Emergency	45.38
Hach Company-supplies	187.69	Riley's-library supplies	328.28	Local Option Tax	8063.54
Hawkins-operating supplies	10.00	IRS-July Federal deposit	4120.52	Library Trust	35.00
Helping Services-program contribution	200.00	TEI Lanmark Audio-audio books	784.00	Debt Service	278.18
IAMU-3rd qtr NISA fee	325.61	Tom Bushman-reimbursement	66.81	Water	12811.99
IIW Engineers-services	18938.00	U.S. Cellular-phones service	93.35	Sewer	13298.12
		Wellmark-insurance premium	1695.66	<b>Total</b>	<b>52719.20</b>
		Wick's Construction-street maint.	3880.00		