

**Regular City Council Meeting
City Hall, Cherokee, Iowa
July 14, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.**

A regular meeting was called to order on this date by Mayor Murphy. Present: Council members Brown, Miller, Pingel, Peck, City Attorney Herbold, Administrator Eikmeier, Clerk-Treasurer Taylor. Absent: Council member Johnson.

Sheree Hausmann and Cindy Wilberding, members of the Park & Recreation Advisory Board, were present. Sheree reported that middle school students have completed the mural on the former fountain next to the community center. The students would like to see the fountain reconnected if possible. Sheree also asked whether the Koser family had reimbursed the city for the cost of preparing the surface of the fountain for painting. Administrator Eikmeier said the first step would be to find out what is involved and the costs to reconnect the fountain. In the matter of the reimbursement of costs, he indicated that John Cook represents the Koser family and he has been made aware of the costs. He will be contacted again. Sheree reported that Duane Mummert has given his blessing for volunteers to clean up some of the areas in Spring Lake Park that have become overgrown with weeds. The Park & Rec. Board would also like to see the silt fence in the park removed if possible. Sheree noted that the recently refurbished playground equipment in Spring Lake Park looks wonderful, but the tops of the structures need to be pressure washed.

A motion by Brown, seconded by Miller, approved the first presentation of an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to No Parking by prohibiting parking on the north side of E. Cedar St. from N. Roosevelt Ave. to Saratoga Ave. The council waived the second and third presentations of Ordinance No. 617 and ordered its publication. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

On a motion by Miller, seconded by Brown, the council adopted Resolution No. 15-13, encumbering 2014-15 appropriations for the following purposes: repair of fire truck pump-\$8,000; pool lift for the disabled-\$6,250. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

A motion by Peck, seconded by Pingel, unanimously approved the following under “Consent Business”. City council minutes of June 23rd.

Bills totaling \$328,418.65.

ACCO	POOL CHEMICALS	1,188.55
ALLIANT ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	856.97
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES	RAGS, RUGS, MOPS	49.47
ARMOND RIDER	JULY CELL PHONE	50.00
ASSURANT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	JULY DISABILITY PREMIUM	1,093.94
ATIRA CREDIT MASTERCARD	LIFEGUARD SUITS & RECERTIFICATION	795.17
	BUSINESS CARDS-PUBLIC WORKS	21.77
	WASTEWATER CERTIFICATION PUBLICATIONS	69.99
AUTOMATIC DOOR GROUP	FRONT DOOR REPAIR	1,013.63
BAKER & TAYLOR, INC.	BOOKS & AUDIOS	1,571.73
BARB BUSCH-MOTT	REG.; MILEAGE-PRESERVE IOWA SUMMIT	257.00
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS	GRAFITTI REMOVER	95.72
BLAINE'S WATER CONDITIONING	SOFTENER SALT; COOLER RENT; WATER	378.70
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	ENG - INDUSTRIAL RD. WATER LINE	2,381.00
BOMGAARS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	1,877.79
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	BEEHIVE GRATES - SPRING LAKE DR.	542.60
BUGH WELDING	MAKE EXTENSION HANDLE	35.00
BUILDERS SHARP. & SERVICE	GRASSHOPPER MOWER W/72' DECK	14,404.00
	2 STIHL BLOWERS	269.90
	PARTS; MOWER BLADES; OIL; SHARPENING	876.14
CARROLL DISTRIBUTING	BARRICADES	126.42
CARUS CORPORATION	CALCIQUEST LIQUID	1,912.50
CENTRAL INSURANCE	POLLUTION LIABILITY INSURANCE	833.25
CENTRAL IOWA DIST., INC.	DEGREASER, GARBAGE BAGS	308.75

CHAMPION ELECTRIC, INC.	EXIT LAMPS; EMERGENCY LIGHTS	251.88
	HOOK UP NEW POOL PUMP; REPAIR VAC	251.84
	STREET LIGHT REPAIR	1,743.93
CHEROKEE AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	559.55
CHEROKEE CO. SOLID WASTE	JULY LANDFILL FEE	29,688.51
	TIRE; DEBRIS-NUISANCE ABATEMENT	173.20
	DEBRIS – FLOOD STRUCTURE DEMOS	16,537.60
CHEROKEE CO. TREASURER	2ND HALF TAX-506 SPRING LAKE DR.	236.00
CHEROKEE CO. WORK SERVICE	SHOP TOWELS	10.14
CHEROKEE COUNTY RECORDER	RECORD AMENDMENTS-CDBG REHAB	21.00
CHEROKEE LUMBER, INC.	SAW BLADES	17.68
CHEROKEE REG. MED. CENTER	BACK ASSESSMENT; LAB WORK-NEW HIRES	318.00
CHESTERMAN COMPANY	POP; POOL CONCESSIONS	779.50
CHRONICLE TIMES	MINUTES; ORDINANCES; EMPL. ADS; BIDS	888.28
CIRCLE K	SUPER FLEX BLADE 12"	222.00
CLARK EQUIPMENT CO.	NEW BOBCAT SKIDLOADER	34,560.08
COMES INVESTMENTS (PIZZA HUT)	PIZZA FOR LIFEGUARD TRAINING	114.50
CONTROL SYSTEM SPECIALISTS	MECHANICAL SYSTEM REPAIR	131.00
COUNTRY TIRE & SERVICE	NEW TIRES FOR '14 TAHOE	669.91
	TUBE & TIRE REPAIR	20.83
	TIRE FOR TRAILER	121.15
CREATIVE SERVICES	BANNERS	85.00
DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIP.	SUPPLIES	281.62
DARREN'S CLOTHING CO.	WORK SHIRTS	702.50
DAVE ELLIS	HOT DOG DAY SUPPLIES; TRASH CANS	124.82
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INS.	JULY LIFE PREMIUM	296.93
DEBRA TAYLOR	RETIREMENT COFFEE SUPPLIES	31.97
DEMCO, INC.	SUPPLIES	472.82
DOUBLEDAY LARGE PRINT	BOOKS	126.92
DOUG GOCHENOUR	MEALS;MILEAGE-FLOODPLAIN CLASS	73.62
DPC INDUSTRIES, INC.	CHLORINE AND POTASSIUM PERMANG.	794.90
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING	CAMERA REPAIR	261.26
EVERTEK, INC.	INTERNET SERVICE	11.30
FAREWAY STORES, INC.	SUPPLIES; PAPER PRODUCTS	278.18
FARNER-BOCKEN COMPANY	POOL CONCESSIONS	4,791.64
FELD FIRE	FIRE EXTINGUISHERS; BRACKETS; RECHARGE	165.00
FIRST COOPERATIVE ASSOC.	PRAMITOL; GLYSTAR PLUS	234.06
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	SAMPLE TESTING	637.00
FREDERICK WELDING & SALES	MOWER PARTS	34.40
FREMONT INDUSTRIES, INC.	FLOCCULANT	1,359.10
GREGG COMPUTER SERVICE	REPAIR COMPUTERS; WIRELESS MOUSE	177.00
GROUND EFFECT, LP	MULCH, WEED CONTROL	307.98
HACH CO.	ELECTRODE; LAB SUPPLIES	531.62
HALLETT MATERIALS	LIMESTONE; ROAD GRAVEL	2,440.17
HEALTH	SUBSCRIPTION	12.79
HOLZHAUER MOTORS, LTD.	OIL CHANGES	117.85
HY-VEE, INC.	POOL CONCESSIONS	50.92
HY-VEE PHARMACY	LATEX GLOVES	80.00
INSTRUMENT CONTROL SYSTEMS	SOUTH LIFT STATION REPAIR	561.20
IOWA COMM. ASSURANCE POOL	SPRING LAKE TRAIL/GUARDRAILS INSURANCE	176.48
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	ANNUAL DUES	2,288.00
IOWA LIBRARY SERVICES	BRIDGES EBOOKS PLATFORM FEE	65.00
IOWA ONE CALL	JUNE LOCATES	73.80
JANITOR'S CLOSET, LTD.	CLEANING SUPPLIES; TISSUE	398.93
JIM ADAMSON	REG.; GAS-PRESERVE IOWA SUMMIT	94.04
JOBIES PASTIME LOUNGE	REFUND LIQUOR LICENSE	463.13
JOHN SNAPP	REG.; MILEAGE-PRESERVE IOWA SUMMIT	246.65
K-MART #9222	SUPPLIES; VACUUM; BATTERIES	486.05
KATIE BOOTH	BALANCE OF DEPOSIT	19.76
KNIFE RIVER MIDWEST, LLC	COLD MIX	919.35
LARSEN LOCK SERVICE	RE-KEY WATER PLANT	297.00
LETSCHE BIKE/RADIO SHACK	WIFI ADAPTOR	39.99

LUNDELL CONSTRUCTION CO.	EXCAVATOR-PULL TREES FROM LAKE	510.00
	INSTALL NEW POOL PUMP	476.00
	HAUL ROCK FOR STOCK PILE	213.75
	LOCATE SEWER ON E. MAIN	480.00
MC2, INC.	SPIRAL BRUSH	1,245.42
MARGARET RASCH	BALANCE OF DEPOSIT	19.46
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	24,311.32
MIKE BURKHART	2 BAGS GRASS SEED	100.00
MILLER, MILLER, MILLER, PC	LEGAL/CLOSINGS - FLOOD BUY	4,600.00
MONGAN PAINTING CO.	SAND BLAST FUEL TANK	516.50
MOTOR PARTS SALES	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	67.08
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	METERS, SMARTPOINTS; TOUCH PADS	6,217.06
NATE JAMES	JULY CELL PHONE	50.00
NORLAB, INC.	SEWER DYE	222.00
NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS	JUNE INTERNET SERVICE	84.90
O'HALLORAN INTERNATIONAL	BATTERY	260.79
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE STORES	OIL	55.37
OFFICE ELEMENTS	OFFICE SUPPLIES; COPIER LEASES	398.30
OFFICE OF VEHICLE SERVICES	8 SALVAGE AUTO CERTIFICATES	80.00
OGDEN PUBLICATIONS	SUBSCRIPTION	32.00
OVERDRIVE, INC.	BRIDGES EBOOK SUBSCRIPTION	707.77
OVERHEAD DOOR CO.	DOOR REPAIR - STREET SHOP	2,089.86
PERKINS OFFICE SOLUTIONS	OFFICE SUPPLIES	440.49
PETTY CASH	REPLACE SHRUB; SUPPLIES	62.27
PETTY CASH - LIBRARY	POSTAGE; SUNDAY NEWSPAPERS	169.86
PLAYGROUND GUARDIAN	REFURBISH PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	16,270.00
PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	SERVICE CONTRACT	407.78
PRO COOPERATIVE	DUST CONTROL	230.00
R COMM WIRELESS	USED MOTOROLA CHARGER	30.00
R.J. THOMAS MFG. CO., INC.	SIGNS FOR VEHICLE/PARK/POOL	897.41
RACO MFG. & ENGINEERING	RENEW SERVICE CONTRACT	735.00
REHAB SYSTEMS, INC.	CLEAN SIPHON TUBE ON EUCLID	375.00
REINERT MACHINE SHOP	RETHRED PIPE; TRUCK & SWEEPER REPAIRS	1,426.58
RHOADSIDE BLOOMING HOUSE	FLOWERS FOR FLAGPOLE AREA	22.45
ROBIN MC COY	BALANCE-RELOCATION ASSISTANCE	4,883.56
S & S WORLDWIDE, INC.	SUPPLIES	219.94
SANITARY SERVICES	JUNE GARBAGE PICKUP	25,578.60
SANITATION PRODUCTS, INC.	REPAIR SWEEPER	4,991.93
SCHOON CONSTR. & EXCAVATION	NUISANCE ABATEMENT DEMO	5,904.57
	FLOOD STRUCTURE DEMOS	23,654.00
SCHUMACHER ELEVATOR CO.	BEECH ST. ELEVATOR MAINT.	759.17
SHARE CORPORATION	SPRAY-N-GO	105.11
SIMMERING-CORY, INC.	ADMIN. - CDBG HOUSING REHAB	9,286.00
SIOUX SALES COMPANY	CLOTHING/EQUIP. FOR NEW OFFICERS	1,863.75
SIRCHIE FINGER PRINT LAB	EVIDENCE SUPPLIES	207.61
STANDARD READY MIX	CONCRETE FOR STREET REPAIRS	920.00
STEVE CASEY	MOTEL/MEALS/MILES-ANNAUL CONFERENCE	402.50
STEVE'S WINDOW SERVICE	WINDOW CLEANING	206.00
THE ACCURATE COURT REPORTER	JULY SUBSCRIPTION	13.00
THREE RIVERS BENEFIT	CLAIMS THRU 7/10/15; JULY ADMIN.	1,580.51
TODD LARSEN	JULY CELL PHONE	35.00
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	JUNE SALES TAX	5,297.47
UNITED STATES CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	243.10
UPSTART	SUPPLIES	27.39
USA BLUE BOOK	BUFFER	123.14
USPS	POSTAGE FOR UTILITY BILLS	328.38
UTILITY SERVICE CO., INC.	ANNUAL MAINT.-N. TOWER	26,810.33
VALLEY GLASS & FRAMING	CUT PLEXI GLASS LID FOR FILTER	64.20
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	64.61
VOGEL PAINT & WAX	WHITE & RED TRAFFIC PAINT	331.90
VOGEL TRAFFIC SERVICES	PAVEMENT MARKING PAINT	1,891.50
WALDNER'S LAWN SERVICE	RESEEDING FROM SNOW REMOVAL	180.00

WEX BANK	GAS	3,711.50
WIESE OIL & SUPPLY CO., LTD	LEAD FREE GAS; OIL	1,800.21
WILLIAM SCHUMANN	BALANCE OF DEPOSIT	64.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE/INTERNET	1,107.24
WITTGRAF LAW FIRM	JUNE LEGAL SERVICES	3,620.00
WOODALL ELECTRIC	REPROGRAM HELICAL CONTROLLER	495.00
	BACKUP BATTERIES-S. LIFT	273.00
	REPAIR CLARIFIER LIGHT BULB	435.00
	REPLACE OFFICE LIGHT BALLAST	117.70
	RESET FLOATS-S. LIFT;REPAIR WIRE-SUMNER	305.10

Reviewed Library Board minutes of June 3rd.

Reviewed Planning & Zoning Commission minutes of June 2nd.

Change order #4 for a reduction of \$5,145 and payment #6 to Christensen Bros. for \$76,210.47 for the River Road bridge project.

Renewal of Class "B" native wine permit – Jane's Salon.

Renewal of Class "C" beer permit – Hy-Vee Gas.

New 5-day, Class "B" beer permit – Chamber of Commerce July 24th street dance.

A motion by Brown, seconded by Pingel, authorized an architectural contract with RDG, Inc. in the amount of \$110,000 for the CDBG Downtown Façade Program. Motion carried.

On a motion by Miller, seconded by Peck, the council authorized amendment of the contract with Utility Service Group regarding maintenance of the industrial water tower. Since the tower isn't currently in use, the contract cost will be reduced from \$17,042.68/year to \$5,680/year through 6/30/18. This will insure that funds are available in 2018 to completely repaint the interior and exterior of the tower. Motion carried.

On a motion by Brown, seconded by Miller, the council unanimously accepted a bid from Brad Phipps for \$1,506 for the garage at 315 E. Maple (only one bid was received). The garage is in the flood buyout area and must be moved from the property.

The Administrator reported that no bids were received on the garage at 217 E. Willow. Armond Rider, Public Works Supt., is looking at the possibility of moving this garage to the water plant site on E. Spruce St. for additional storage of street signs, water valves, Christmas decorations, and other items.

A motion by Brown, seconded by Miller, approved a lease of the property at 222 E. Cedar St., purchased through the flood buyout program, to the adjacent property owner at 218 E. Cedar St. The property will be used as additional open space and gardening purposes. The owner will be responsible for the maintenance of the property, including snow removal from sidewalks. Motion carried.

The Cherokee Development Corp. is requesting an exchange of Lot 4, Valley View Addition for Lot 25, except for the south 30 feet, and the south 60 feet of Lot 26, Block 3 Doherty Addition. The CDC is interested in the Doherty lot for the possible development of another single-family house. The City is interested in the Valley View lot for a possible extension of Susan Dr. to connect to Valley View Dr. A motion by Miller, seconded by Pingel, approved the exchange of lots. Roll call was: AYES: Miller, Pingel, Peck. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Brown (a member of the CDC board)

As there are unanswered questions regarding the State required perpetual care cemetery trust agreement, this item was tabled for further clarification.

1. Administrator's report – advertising has not yet begun for the Administrator's position, but will work on this the first of next week.
2. June Clerk-Treasurer's report and receipts as follows: General-\$185,620.99; Police Forfeiture-\$365.01; County Library-\$3,501.61; Road Use-\$62,725.15; Employee Benefits-\$8,443.37; Emergency-\$477.19; LOST-\$44,793.30; Hotel/Motel Tax-\$15,541.02; Tax Increment Financing-\$26,409; Revolving Loan-\$517.31; Library Memorial-\$248.94; Park & Rec. Cap. Impr.-\$8.45; Debt Service-\$416,026.85; Road Use Equipment-\$35,000.74; Flood Buyout Program-\$2,703; Emergency Set-Aside-\$4,211.96; Oak

Hill Perpetual Care-\$30.22; Water Utility-City-\$55,874.49; Water Utility-Industrial-\$32.58; Water System Maintenance-\$9,492.95; Sewer Utility-City-\$89,013.77; Sewer Utility-Industrial-\$21.61; Sewer Bd./Int.-\$29,610; Sewer System Maintenance-\$5,750; Sewer Improvement-\$1,793.67; Aviation Authority-\$265.16; Solid Waste-\$26,789.91; Landfill-\$32,672.63; Storm Sewer Utility-\$7,110.63; Self Insurance-\$12,590.86; Police Special Acct.-\$.34.

3. June General Fund revenue/expense report.

4. June Police reports.

5. Nate James, Police Chief, presented his quarterly report. He reported that things are going well. In the next month the 2 new officers will be attending the Police Academy. Administrator Eikmeier reported that Nate was very helpful in working with truckers on clarifying the wording of the truck route, the placement of additional signs, and identifying trees that needed to be trimmed along the route.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

News media – Ken Ross, *Chronicle Times*; Nikki Thunder, KCHE.

Mark Murphy – Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra Taylor
City Clerk-Treasurer