

**Regular City Council Meeting
City Hall, Cherokee, Iowa
September 22, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.**

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

Council met at the intersection of N. Roosevelt Ave. and Hayward St. to review the proposed N. Roosevelt Street Improvement Project. The project will begin at Jefferies St. and extend north to Indian St. The project consists of street replacement, water main replacement, some sanitary sewer modifications, and the addition of storm sewer. Storm water from Sleezer Rd. north coming down Roosevelt will be diverted east to the holding ponds just south of Sleezer Rd. This is a federal aid project with 80% of the construction costs paid by federal funds. The City's share will be 20% of construction costs, plus the cost of engineering. The project is scheduled for an October bid opening.

A motion by Pingel, seconded by Peck, adopted Resolution No. 15-18, a resolution in opposition to lowering the current U.S. EPA Ozone Standards from 68 ppb to 65 ppb. If the new standards are adopted, Cherokee and surrounding areas would be placed into non-compliance. The resolution will be sent to EPA officials as well as Iowa's congressional delegation. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

On a motion by Brown, seconded by Johnson, the council unanimously approved the following under "Consent Business".

City council minutes of September 8th.
Annual Urban Renewal report for 2014-15.
Renewal of class "B" wine license – The Book Vine.

The council reviewed two bids for the 4th St. Water Main Relocation Project. The project will relocate the water main off of private property onto City right-of-way. Bids were as follows: Lundell Construction-\$16,006.88; Schoon Construction & Excavation-\$16,380. A motion by Miller, seconded by Pingel, awarded a contract to Lundell Construction for \$16,006.88. Motion carried.

On a motion by Peck, seconded by Pingel, the council went into executive session at 7:06 p.m. to discuss personnel matters per Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(i). Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

On a motion by Johnson, seconded by Pingel, the council returned to regular session at 8:35 p.m. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

No action was taken as the result of executive session.

Council briefly discussed the possibility of an ordinance allowing ATV's to operate on city streets. This will be a discussion item on a future agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

News media – Ken Ross, *Chronicle Times*.

Mark Murphy – Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra Taylor
City Clerk-Treasurer