

Madrid City Council
Regular Meeting
May 17, 2010

The Council meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Jeff Gibbons presiding.

Present at Roll Call: Steve Burich, Lane Shaver, Mike Heeren, Don Lincoln

Other City Officials present: City Administrator/Clerk Todd Kilzer, Deputy City Clerk Donna Havlik, Police Officer Bryan Olmstead, Library Director Angie Strong and Fire Chief Jim Murry

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Burich, to approve the agenda.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Heeren, seconded by Councilperson Shaver, to open the public hearings regarding the following:

- A Public Hearing To Review The Environmental Information And Facility Plan For The Proposed Wastewater Treatment Facility
- Ordinance #447, "An Ordinance Amending The Code Of The City Of Madrid, Iowa, 1999, By Amending Chapter 106 "Collection Of Solid Waste", Subsection 8 "Collection Fees" And Subsequent Amendments Thereto"

Kilzer reported to the Council that no oral or written comments have been received.

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Heeren, to close the public hearing.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Burich, to approve the City Council meeting minutes of May 3, 2010, Parks and Recreation meeting minutes of April 5, 2010 and the Library Board meeting minutes of April 13, 2010.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Burich, to approve the May 17, 2010 claims totaling \$351,808.00 and the April Financial Statement. Councilperson Heeren asked if the bulk of the debt service expenditure was for the Southern Prairie Drive and Main Street project. Kilzer confirmed that was correct but reminded the Council that the City also had consolidated the debt service of the library, fire truck and storm sewer project into that one larger bond. Kilzer commented this will be the second annual payment on the general obligation bond that will be paid off in June of 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Fire Chief Murry advised the Council that it was discovered that a carrier bearing had failed on the rear end causing the axel to break on the 1974 International 4 wheel drive fire truck. Discussion followed regarding the possibility of getting a different chassis, drive train, and the frame under the truck. It was also confirmed that the pumper no longer works and that it would cost up to \$40,000.00 to have the pumper repaired to meet the required specifications for certification. It was estimated that it could cost up to \$150,000.00 to get the chassis and the pumpers up to specifications. Heartland Tire will be removing the rear tires from the pumper truck to be installed on the tanker truck. Murry added that by removing this pumper truck from the fleet, it would cause the ISO ratings to go up and in turn, cause the insurance premiums for all property owners in the City to increase. Council recommended that Murry continue to seek bids for a new pumper. Kilzer advised the Council that the rescue unit note could be rolled over into a new note that would include a payment for a new fire truck. The second option for the Council's consideration would be to wait until the rescue unit is paid off and secure a new note at that time. The Fire Department will continue to seek grant funding for a new truck. Murry and Kilzer will compile all pertinent financial information for the Council's review to assist with making a decision. It was suggested that the fire department's addition be enlarged to accommodate a larger fire truck and have space for other fire equipment. Murry and Kilzer were directed to keep going forward with initial planning, seeking more information, financing sources, and the cost to add on to the building to accommodate a longer fire truck.

Murry also advised the Council that the department has just received a donation of \$10,000.00 from the Alma Pedretti Estate. It has been decided that it would be in the best interest of the department to use the donation toward the building expansion. Murry added that when the building expansion is completed, a plaque will be placed to express appreciation.

Library Director Angie Strong reported that the library had a profit of \$525.00 from the used book sale. The Library Board plans to conduct another book sale around the first of September. The library is preparing for the summer reading program which will start June 9, 2010 and end on July 6, 2010. The theme this year will be "Make Waves At Your Library". Strong also reported that the library has five internet stations and has had some computers donated. Jack and Marla Gibbons donated a 55 gallon fish aquarium and the Friends of the Library will assist with the purchasing of fish. Ron and Judy Grant donated four sets of "Award Books". Jessica Shaffer is working toward her Master Gardner License and has agreed to assist Strong with landscaping at the library. Strong reported that she has received three estimates to repair the exterior front entrance door. The door will not stay in the unlocked position. It appears that the panic bar, lower hinge and lock pin need to be replaced and a hole drilled in the threshold to hold the bottom rod. The Helms Estate funds will pay for the necessary repair of the door.

Kilzer reported that it is cost prohibitive to relocate the utility poles at the Edgewood Park Expansion site so there has been some adjustments made on the dimensions of the park design. Kilzer also reported that Park Custodian Sean Wiest has fixed the John Deere 1435 mower and has performed maintenance on other park equipment. Kilzer commented that the John Deere 525 mower was replaced with a 20 horsepower Cub Cadet mower with a 46" deck for \$1,600.00. Kilzer added that the "No Parking" signage can be placed at the park's entrance but Kilzer cautioned that until the ordinance is passed, no legal action can be enforced to violators.

Police Officer Olmstead advised the Council that the department had nothing to report at this time.

Kilzer reported that Public Works Department would be asphaltting the 22nd Street area where the City put in a new storm culvert pipe and would be coring out a patch spot at 4th and Market Streets. Kilzer commented the Well #9 has had the motor and pumping inspected. It is believed there may be a problem with the bearings. It has been scheduled to acidize clean the well the week of May 17, 2010. Kilzer added that the filter media also will be replaced at the water plant before the water demand becomes higher.

Kilzer advised the Council that he attended a Street Finance Report Workshop and noted various changes in the format of the reports.

Kilzer also advised the Council that he would be out of state from May 26, 2010 through June 1, 2010 on vacation.

City Attorney Jordan advised the Council that Judge Moon denied Starry's request for a new trial regarding the 140 W. 2nd Street property. Jordan added that Starry may file an appeal. Kilzer advised the Council that Starry had contacted the Department of Natural Resources and they were inspecting the property at 140 W. 2nd Street on May 13, 2010. Kilzer will keep the Council informed of any status changes.

Motion by Councilperson Heeren, seconded by Councilperson Shaver, to approve the Environmental Information and Facility Plan For The Proposed Wastewater Treatment Facility. Kilzer mention that there was only one aspect that seemed to be of any concern and that had to do with the federally listed threatened or endangered species. Kilzer requested the Council's approval of the report.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Heeren, to approve the second reading and to move forward to the third reading of Ordinance #447, "An Ordinance Amending The Code Of The City Of Madrid, Iowa, 1999, By Amending Chapter 106 "Collection Of Solid Waste", Subsection 8 "Collection Fees" and Subsequent Amendments Thereto".

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Heeren, seconded by Councilperson Burich, to approve the request for payment submitted by Bartlett & West in the amount of \$11,072.75 by consent agenda. The invoices were as follows:

Madrid WWTF Facility Plan/Prelim Design - \$5,688.75

Storm Drainage - Sewer Rehab Design – Admin - \$5,384.00

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Lincoln, to approve payment in the amount of \$4,492.38 to C.L. Carroll Company. Kilzer added that Hydro Klean jet cleaned the calcified lime from the piping and around the filters. Kilzer explained that the lime buildup was removed from the filter influent pipe so the valves would operate properly.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Heeren, seconded by Councilperson Burich, to approve Ordinance #448, "An Ordinance Amending The Code Of The City Of Madrid, Iowa, 1999, By Amending Title II, Division 2, Chapter 69, Section 08, "No Parking Zones". Kilzer advised the Council that it was Police Chief Rick Tasler recommendation that the odd numbered side of Fairview Drive be designated as the "No Parking" area. There will also be "No Parking" signs placed at the main entrance to the Edgewood Park and on Main Street. Mayor Gibbons asked that there be no parking signs on the right side of the drive to allow proper spacing for vehicles to back out of the parking spots. Councilperson Heeren mentioned that he has been approached regarding the possibility of angle parking on some of the side streets in the downtown area. Kilzer mentioned that his only hesitation would be because of snow removal; complications that could be attributed to that style of parking.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Heeren, to approve the first reading of Ordinance #449, "An Ordinance Amending The Code Of The City Of Madrid, Iowa, 1999, By Amending Title II, Division 2, Chapter 55, "Animal Protection And Control", By Creating A New Section 09 "Animal Waste" And By Renumbering The Remaining Sections Of Chapter 55 Accordingly" and set a public hearing for June 7, 2010 at 5:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Mayor Gibbons proclaimed the week of May 15 through May 21, 2010 as being CVLG (N) 41 Squadron Week in the City of Madrid, and encouraged all patriot members of the community to join him in support and appreciation. This proclamation was read at the Veterans Memorial Park dedication which was attended by community members, Squadron members and state dignitaries.

Mayor and Council acknowledged the receipt of correspondence which told of the Windstream/Iowa Telecom merger and a notice from Mediacom announcing a channel addition.

Kilzer mentioned that a help wanted ad has been placed in the local newspaper for an individual interested in maintaining the flower beds in Jensen Park. The City has received a donation from a group that specified that the funding was to be used for maintenance of the flower beds.

Councilperson Lincoln added that project for the Third Street access to the trail has begun.

Motion by Councilperson Heeren to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m.; seconded by Councilperson Shaver.

Ayes: All Present

Motion Carried

Mayor Jeff Gibbons

ATTEST:

Todd D. Kilzer
City Administrator/Clerk