

**July 28, 2014**  
**Williamsburg City Council Meeting Minutes**

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance and noted council members Bunge, Grier, Kirkpatrick and McGovern present; Kubas was absent.

Motion McGovern, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grier to approve the consent agenda items – all aye.

Motion McGovern, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kirkpatrick to approve the appointment of Sharon Newbold to a recently vacated term on the Library Board – all aye.

Ryan & Dawn Burns, 801 Hampton Drive presented documentation regarding water concerns at their property. John Avery addressed the Council regarding issues he has observed in the area and discussed the issues with Carol Montz with Mary Welsh School. The school will increase the size of the pipe to 10” or 12” on their property. The Burns’ request rock be placed on the bank instead of grass. John is to document when public works checks the dry pond and what he finds each time.

Jeff Schott, Director of the University of Iowa Institute of Public Affairs (IPA) presented the Council with services offered by the IPA for soliciting ideas for the best use of the old elementary school property. Schott suggested a public input meeting or open house for submittal of ideas or suggestions. Schott also suggested organizing a committee made up of two Council members along with civic groups, organizations and public. Schott proposed his services with two meetings for \$1,500 plus travel and other expenses. A formal proposal will be presented to the Council by Schott for such services.

Motion Kirkpatrick, 2<sup>nd</sup> McGovern to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 548-14 placing the responsibility of sidewalk maintenance upon the abutting property owner. McGovern, Grier, Kirkpatrick, Bunge, Kubas – aye.

Motion Kirkpatrick, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grier to suspend the rule and waive the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Ordinance 548-14 and approve its adoption upon publication and signature of the Mayor. Kirkpatrick, Kubas, Bunge, Grier, McGovern – aye.

Motion Bunge, 2<sup>nd</sup> McGovern to approve Resolution 29-14 approving Pay Request No. 2 to DW Zinser Co. for \$80,947.13 for work completed on the 2014 Elementary School Demolition Project. Bunge, Kubas, Kirkpatrick, Grier, McGovern – aye.

Consensus of the Council is to submit the application to RAGBRAI for consideration of the City of Williamsburg for becoming a host or pass-through town for the 2015 ride. Council member Bunge will process the application which is due August 15<sup>th</sup>.

Jim Jacob with VJ Engineering gave a report on the Wilson St Project and the School Demolition Project.

John Avery has had good response from property owners on nuisances.

John Pilkington with Nidey, Erdahl, Tindal & Fischer, PLC explained options for abatement of the nuisance property located at 916 Elm St as presented by City Attorney Tindal. Motion McGovern, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bunge to proceed with Option 1, as presented in the City Attorney’s letter dated July 22, 2014 for 916 Elm St – all aye.

Motion Kirkpatrick, 2<sup>nd</sup> McGovern to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. – all aye.