

City of Carter Lake
City Hall – 950 Locust St.
Proceedings: Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, Dec. 21, 2015 – 7:00 PM

The Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Waltrip called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- I. Roll Call: Present – Mayor Gerald Waltrip
Council members - Ed Aldmeyer, Dave Huey, Barb Hawkins, Ron Cumberledge, and Barb Melonis
Also present – City Attorney Joe Thornton and City Clerk Doreen Mowery
- II. Approval of the Agenda – Moved by council member Aldmeyer seconded by council member Huey to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Unanimous.
- III. Consent agenda – Moved by council member Huey seconded by council member Aldmeyer to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Unanimous.
- IV. New Business
 - A. Communications from the Public
 1. Moved by council member Cumberledge seconded by council member Huey to approve renewal of Lakeside Auto Recyclers salvage yard permit. Ayes: Unanimous.
 2. Gary Fett would like a business permit to put a stereo shop in at 1116 Locust St. The business would require a conditional use permit. The planning board recommends that Mr. Fett work with the building inspector to make sure that issues like fencing and handicap accessibility are addressed in a remodeling plan for the location. The Mayor objected to a permit being issued since no-one has given him any plans on what was going to be done at that location. There are currently no remodeling plans or business plans on file for 1116 Locust. Moved by council member Hawkins seconded by council member Aldmeyer to table the request until plans are received and reviewed by the building inspector and the planning board. Ayes: Unanimous
 3. Kurt Beisch of Race Omaha presented information to the council regarding a triathlon that will be held in Omaha on Aug. 13 and 14, 2016. The events will be held in Omaha, however they will pass through Carter Lake and they will be using the lake for the swimming portion. Their goals are to notify the residents of the event, coordinate public safety services with police, fire, and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and to request assistance and support from lakefront residences. The Mayor stated that the seaweed is not under control and they will have to work with the DNR to work on a schedule to guide them on seaweed treatments. The DNR is going to try a new chemical that should wipe out all of the seaweed next summer. Brad Hildebrandt requested permission to use Wavecrest to stage medical units from 6:30 AM until 11:30 PM on both days. There will be a local committee working on the event. They will be installing temporary docks for a swim platform that will be put in on the Omaha side and jet out into the middle of

the lake. Council member Hawkins is excited about the opportunity to have the event in the area.

B. Communications from the Departments

1. The Fire Department did not provide an update at this time.
2. Planning Board did not provide an update at this time.
3. Mayor Waltrip
 - a. Mayor Waltrip thanked council members Aldmeyer, Hawkins, and Huey for their time and efforts on behalf of the City. He stated that the position takes a lot of time and hours and he appreciates what they have done.
 - b. The Mayor stated that he had approved hiring a company to patch the holes and cracks on 13th Street. They were on site and started the work, but then they pulled off the job to do another project. There were a lot of complaints from citizens regarding the open holes and unfinished work. The Mayor apologized for not doing a better job of policing the work. Council member Hawkins stated that the streets in the Club need repaired. The Mayor stated before they do another job, they will have proposals from other contractors as well. There was not a valid reason for the current company to leave 13th Street before it was finished.
 - c. The Mayor stated that the number of geese on the lake gets worse every year. This year it is ridiculous and there are probably close to 2,000 geese on the lake at any given time. He has been involved in meetings with Omaha and the airport authority where they have proposed using shot crackers to scare the geese off the lake. Council member elect Paterson has been working with the airport on the proposal.
 - d. Mayor Waltrip stated that the public deserves to be able to see the council meetings in their homes. The current recording system is broke and we have purchased a new system and hopefully it will be up and running for the next meeting. It has been installed, and the clerk is trying to tape the current meeting.

V. Ordinances

- A. Moved by council member Melonis seconded by council member Cumberledge to approve an ordinance vacating a portion of Ave. H between 5th St. and 9th St. on the third and final consideration. Ayes: Unanimous. Mayor Waltrip complimented Russ Kramer for the work he did to get PVS to expand in the community. He also stated that the Omaha Symphony will be holding a gala at the new PVS facility. Council member Melonis congratulated and thanked PVS for their commitment to the community.
- B. Moved by council member Melonis seconded by council member Huey a approve an ordinance amending the Unified Land Development Ordinances to add a new sub-section n: Warehousing (Enclosed-Limited) on the third and final consideration. Ayes: Unanimous.

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VI. Resolutions

- A. Moved by council member Melonis seconded by council member Cumberledge to adopt a resolution approving liens for unpaid utility bills.
Ayes: Unanimous.

VII. Comments

Mayor Waltrip stated that he is finishing the first two years of his term and he would like to thank the public for the faith and confidence that they have given him. He spoke to the many new developments that have moved into the community. He thanked the council and the clerk for the time spent improving the community. He also thanked the public.

Barb Melonis thanked Barb Hawkins, Ed Aldmeyer and Dave Huey for the privilege of working with them on the council. She questioned why she doesn't have more information from proposed businesses prior to them presenting to the council. The Mayor stated when he is working with a proposed business he does not tell anyone, out of respect to the business.

Ron Cumberledge wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Dave Huey thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve on the council and he will still be serving the community at the Fire Department.

Council member Hawkins is excited about the triathlon being held in the area. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Council member Aldmeyer expressed the same thoughts about the triathlon.

City Clerk Mowery announced that former Mayor Wanda Rosenbaugh recently passed away. Her family has directed memorials to the Volunteer Fire Department or the Parks Department.

R. J. Brown stated that he is aware of 2 donut shops that are touring Carter Lake for a place to set up business.

Joe Anderson stated that the height of the metal and tires at Lakeside Recycling exceeds the height of the fence and it is in violation of the current ordinances.

Mayor Waltrip explained that they are in the process of moving a gas transfer station and that is part of the reason the debris is so high.

This meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Doreen Mowery, City Clerk

Gerald Waltrip, Mayor