**City of Cambridge**

**Regular Meeting**

**September 15, 2015**

**7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Cambridge City Council was held on September 15th, 2015 at Cambridge City Hall. Mayor Nan Rhodes called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Present were Mayor Nanette Rhodes, Council President Cyrus Wert, and Councilmembers Verl Cate, and Jeff Chance. One council member position is still vacant. Also present were acting City Clerk and Public Works Superintendent Ernie Houghton, and Andy Gehrke of Holiday Engineering, Jim Birdsall, Jon Anderson, Rob Vowell, Joe Kulp, Dennis Holmes, and John Sachtjen.

Welcome and Flag Salute - Mayor Nanette Rhodes welcomed patrons to the meeting and Cy Wert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda - Cy Wert made a motion to approve the consent agenda (approve current agenda, approve minutes of the regular City Council meeting and two public hearings, and approve payment of the bills). Verl Cate seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Holiday Engineering Report – Transportation, Streets, Roads, Water System and Wastewater System - Andy Gehrke of Holiday Engineering reported that the topographic survey field work was completed on 9/2 and 9/3 for the Community Choices Project, and work on the concept report is underway. For the Wastewater Project, Application for Payment #2 ($571,696.99) has been reviewed and recommended for approval, and Change Order #2 ($44,532.00) has been reviewed and recommended for approval also. This will include adding Alternate Schedules C, D, and E, at the original bid prices.

Wastewater Improvement Project - Engineering Payment Application #9, Engineering Amendment #3, Contractor Payment Application #2, Change Order #2, and Phase 1 Additional Funding Application - Discussion with held concerning all of the above items. Andy Gehrke of Holiday Engineering answered questions. Cy Wert made a motion to approve the Engineering Payment Application #9, Engineering Amendment #3, Contractor Payment Application #2, Change Order #2, and Phase 1 Additional Funding Application. Jeff Chance seconded the motion the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

ICRMP Insurance - Dennis Holmes – Dennis Holmes discussed the new policy and answered questions from the City Council. Ernie Houghton requested a correction on the museum vehicle policy. The vehicle is a 1929 Model A, not a Model T. There was some discussion about increasing the value of the wastewater discharge manhole because of the pending roof structure to be built as part of the Wastewater Project. Dennis Holmes will check to see if that structure needs to be insured as a building or just as an increase in value to the discharge manhole, and will report back to the City Clerk.

190 North Commercial Street Property Proposal Cambridge Fire District - The mayor presented a Thank You letter to Bob Huff for the donation of the property at 190 North Commercial. The Mayor and the City Council signed the Thank You letter. John Sachtjen and Rob Vowell discussed the pending property donation. The Mayor thought that the city could put in rock and gravel road improvements on McKinley for fire station access. John Sachtjen offered to pay part of the expenses for obtaining a clear title to the property.

4th Street Improvement LHTAC Grant - Engineering Professional Services Agreement for Project Design Services - Andy Gehrke explained the differences between the original proposal ($30,000) and the subsequent proposal ($24,672). After discussion, a motion was made by Cy Wert to approve the original proposal for $30,000. Verl Cate seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

ITD Community Choices Sidewalk and Drainage Improvement Project - The mayor discussed the sentiments expressed at the previous meetings held regarding the downtown tree issues. The mayor will meet with arborist Gary Bates next week and walk the downtown area. She will report back at the next council meetings on their findings.

ICDBG Wastewater Phase 2 - Jim Birdsall - Mr. Birdsall reported that the draft environmental assessment will be submitted in one to one and a half weeks. He also said that the City should be receiving the Grant Agreement soon, and asked that the city clerk notify him when it arrives.

City of Cambridge Comprehensive Plan Proposal - Jim Birdsall - After substantial discussion, including the understanding that the $5,000 cost was a not-to-exceed cost, Verl Cate made a motion to accept the Comprehensive Plan Proposal presented by Jim Birdsall. Cy Wert seconded of the motion. The motion passed with Cy Wert and Verl Cate voting Aye, and Jeff Chance voting Nay. The first of three or four workshops with the City Council and the city staff will be held Monday September 28th at 7 o'clock pm\*. Mr. Birdsall presented a questionnaire that each of the participants should review prior to the meeting.

USDA RD Water Facility Plan Grant - Andy Gehrke said that applications will not be available until the agency has funding available. He will get more information and present it at the next City Council meeting.

Adjourn - Verl Cate made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff chance seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously, with the meeting adjourning at 9:41 pm

* The workshop meeting was later changed to Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 7:00 pm.