

City of Ida Grove
City Hall
City Council Special Meeting
April 30, 2018 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Whiteing called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with the following Council Members present: Paul Cates, Gregor Ernst, Ryan Goodman, Scott Tomlinson and Doug Clough. Mike Thornhill and Cody Forch from JEO were also present.

Motion by Council Member Ernst to approve the agenda, second by Council Member Goodman. On a unanimous vote, motion carried.

Cody presented the draft of the City's Capital Improvement Plan. The plan includes a prioritized listing of street work with recommendations from JEO to do 1 of 3 options: reconstruction, patch/overlay or crack seal. Also included in the plan is a state of the utility report for water and sewer along with a prioritized listing of upcoming projects for the water and sewer department. All projects also include an estimation of cost and possible funding options.

Recommended phase 1 priority improvements for the water department include implementation of the following: raw water well #9 and transmission main, water meter replacement, water valve replacement program, fire hydrant replacement program, and Rohwer Street water main replacement. The estimated cost of all of these projects is \$2,050,000.

Recommended phase 1 priority project improvements for the sewer department include implementation of the following: Sanitary utility rate study, headworks improvements, sludge handling and storage improvements. The cost of these projects is estimated at \$3,425,000.

Council discussed the possibility of raising water and sewer rates, according to JEO's recommendation, to cover the costs of these needed improvements to the City's water and sewer systems.

Other items discussed: the urgency of planning the reconstruction or re-decking of the Moorehead Avenue bridge, organizing the top projects for the City's five-year plan, financial options and the West Access.

Motion by Council Member Cates to have the City pay the Kiwanis soccer expenses and Kiwanis will reimburse the City; seconded by Council Member Goodman. On a unanimous vote, motion carried. Ernst noted that the profits from the soccer program go back to the ballfields.

Motion by Council Member Ernst to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Goodman. On a unanimous vote motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Heather Sweeden, Deputy Administrator

Devlun Whiteing, Mayor