

Minutes – Special Council Meeting
February 11, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

The City Council of Mapleton, Iowa, met in special, open session on February 11, 2019, at City Hall. Mayor Donna Shaw called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Mayor Shaw, Dian Bleil, Tom McNamara, Dr. Curtis Hesse and Phil McGarr. Absent: Benita Uhl. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Phil McGarr, second by Dian Bleil, to approve the agenda. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Dave Radke was present from Williams and Company to review the budget figures that were discussed at the budget workshop. Changes were suggested for reducing some budget figures to have a more balanced budget. Using debt service for items such as police vehicles or fire vehicles was suggested to be used instead of budgeting for those type of items.

Water, sewer and gas rates were suggested to be reviewed. An increase in water and sewer was highly recommended by Dave Radke. JEO Engineering has been contacted to give us an estimate on what they would charge to do a rate study for water and sewer. No information has been received.

Marie Whiteing with MCDC was present along with several members of the housing board to update the council on their progress on housing. They reviewed several items such as a portal, Renewable Housing 360, Midwest Sustainable Homes, Iowa Area Development and what areas they have been researching. Steve Gilbert with Midwest Sustainable Homes is a builder that is working also with Stratford Homes to build homes in the Mapleton. The board will be traveling to Wisconsin to Stratford Homes location and look at their homes.

The proposed housing development at NorthView Acres would target active housing and workforce housing. The portal allows a 1-2 hour turnaround for those wishing to check the status of financial assistance and qualifications. Starting cost of proposed homes is \$150,000.00

Internet service was discussed and different options they have been researching.

The board is currently looking at redesigning the area to establish approximately 25 lots instead of the initial 40 plus lots. The road is planned to be a one way road with no curb and gutter and parking areas instead of street parking.

Motion by Tom McNamara, second by Phil McGarr to approve the Mapleton Community Development Corporation proceeding with redesign of Northview Acres for a housing development. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom McNamara, second by Dian Bleil to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Donna Shaw, Mayor

Attest: Karla Uhl, City Clerk
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