

CITY OF ODEBOLT - REGULAR MEETING

Monday, November 7, 2005 - CITY HALL, 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Rex called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Thompson, Hansen, Bengford and Scott. Absent: Hemphill. Also in attendance were: Supt. Bill Tysor and Chief Bruce Henderson.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Bengford to approve the agenda. Four ayes. Moved by Scott and seconded by Hansen to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Four ayes.

As there was not a full Council in attendance, the City Attorney will attend at such time as all are in attendance. In the mean time he will be requested to provide an opinion regarding the legal ramifications of liability when selling a city bridge to a private individual.

Moved by Hansen and seconded by Thompson to approve the bills as presented: (Four ayes.)

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Public Safety	\$19,816.78
Public Works	5,225.46
Health & Social	210.00
Culture/Rec.	726.61
Economic Development	50.00
General Gov.	3,697.49
Garbage	7,519.39
Recycling	1,231.70
Sewer	3,650.59
Water	6,255.07
Sales Tax	<u>676.00</u>
Total	\$49,059.09

OCTOBER RECEIPTS

Utilities	\$22,482.02
Taxes	100,030.50
Road Fund	9,134.57
Interest	5,035.75
Misc.	<u>505.60</u>
	\$137,188.44

Moved by Hansen and seconded by Scott to approve the following building permit: Carol Youngren-extend patio. Four ayes.

The mailbox survey asked the question: "Would you be in favor of lifting the ban on rural delivery mailboxes in Odebolt?" There were 210 responses with the following results: 148 "NO" responses, 46 "YES" responses and "16" spoiled surveys. A summary of the comments is listed on the web site at www.odebolt.net.

Mayor Rex read information from the Landfill Commission. It states that the County, as a whole has not reached the 25% reduction in material going to the landfill in the past three years. This means that our recycling efforts need to be stepped up. Some communities are already using the special bag or tag system and the rest of the County will be forced to put the program in place as well. Everyone, especially, some

businesses/commercial establishments, with high volumes of recyclables could be doing a better job of recycling. Newspapers, magazines, books & catalogs can all be recycled. Cardboard boxes need to be flattened and bundled. Plastic, glass, tin and aluminum should also go in your recycling bin. If you need a new list, please stop at City hall.

Vance Lundell has reported to the Mayor on the new "Odebolt" signs for the entrances to town. He is back to the drawing board to prepare a new blueprint to submit to the Council. Howard Hustedt has consented to Co-Chair the project and the promotion thereof.

Two complaints were addressed. On other issues, one citation will be issued for failure to clean up property and two letters will be sent on junk vehicles.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Hansen to accept the Library report. Four ayes. As far as an appointee, the Mayor is working with Librarian Donarae Cleveland and the Board. The Board is also considering going to a seven-member board instead of the current nine-member board.

Police report was reviewed.

The Mayor read a letter from the Iowa Department of Transportation as a matter of information to the Council members. The DOT proposes to let a PCC widening & overlay project on Iowa 175 extending from the Ida County line easterly to near the West Junction of US 71. This will include the portion of Hwy 175 which lies within the City limits of Odebolt. The project is proposed for construction during 2006. Supt. Tysor reported that the DOT would leave one lane open at all times. They will also be doing some approaches.

The Mayor reported that a grant is available for railroad crossing signals. This will be further investigated and pursued.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Scott to renew the sidewalk snow removal contract with Jace Horsley. Four ayes.

Supt. Bill Tysor reported that the garbage packer is getting old and will need to be replaced in the next few months.

The sidewalks north of Dresselhuis' Office are in need of replacement. Supt. Tysor was directed get estimates. These will be presented to the property owners.

The Mayor is still working for a grant through the Brownfield Program.

The Odebolt Museum is seeking funding from the Sac County Endowment Foundation for repairs to the building.

The City appreciates the help given by the National Honor Society to the Museum, the Memorial Walk and to Senior Citizens on their recent "Day of Service."

A thank you was read from the Bob Hansen family.

Moved by Scott and seconded by Hansen to adopt Resolution #05.20. A resolution in support of a 10-unit housing project targeted to the elderly and owned by Odebolt Assisted Living, L.L.C. Four ayes. Absent: Hemphill.

At 8:23 p.m. it was moved by Hansen and seconded by Bengford to adjourn. All ayes.

R.J. Rex, Mayor

Joan Godbersen, City Clerk