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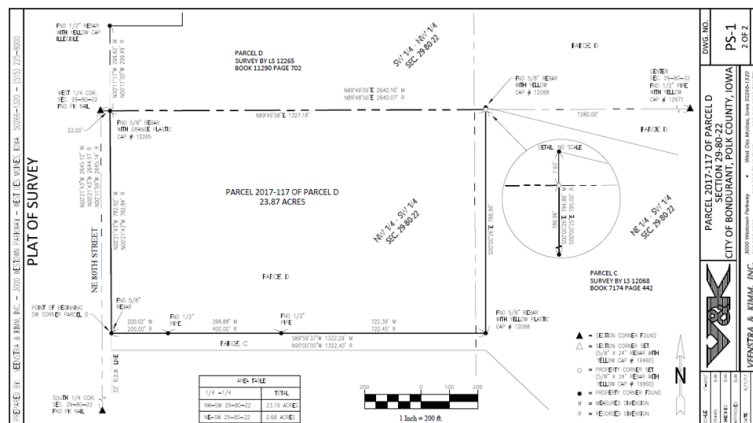
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Election

On November 7, 2017, an election will be held to fill the Mayor position and two positions on the City Council. Persons interested in serving on the City Council are eligible to file nomination papers between August 14 and August 31, by 5:00 p.m., with the County Auditor. Nominations papers can be obtained at City Hall, Polk County Auditor's Office or on the Iowa Secretary of State website.

Property Purchase

The City approved the financing of the purchase of current agricultural land from Steven and Denae England on or about May 1, 2017. Veenstra and Kimm completed a survey of the property on or about June 7, 2017. Pursuant the April 18, 2017 Purchase Agreement between the parties the City completed the purchase on or about June 9, 2017. Out of an abundance of caution, the City desires to confirm its approval of the sale pursuant to the terms of the April 18, 2017 Purchase Agreement between the parties. The public hearing will be held on July 24th at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the City Center.



Bondurant Family Dentistry

The Bondurant Dental Office is expanding and submitted a site plan of the addition. The original site plan was submitted on October 16, 2014. Based on the site plan review, Veenstra & Kimm identified three issues, which included, parking requirements, the grading plan, and the drainage/detention requirement for the addition. The expansion is 2,077 square feet, or slightly smaller than shown in the original site plan as the building addition. The majority of the site plan related issues were addressed as part of the original site plan review.



MidAmerican Energy Easements

MidAmerican Energy is undertaking a transmission line project that will go through Bondurant. (A map showing the route is attached.) In order to complete the project, MidAmerican Energy will need some easements. The easements include easements for overhang and access on three parcels. The easements are attached. Representatives from MidAmerican Energy presented on this project at the June 5th Council meeting.



City Budget

The State of Iowa requires cities to amend their budgeted expenditures prior to exceeding their program or function. Certain project expenditures budgeted in Fiscal Year 2017 did not occur prior to fiscal year end, requiring the Fiscal Year 2018 budget to be amended allowing for the project expenditures to occur after June 30, 2017. Building inspection revenue and expense are adjusted also.

Revenues & Other Financing Sources increased in the following:

- Licenses & Permits increased due to an increase in projected building permit fees
- Intergovernmental increased due to the delay in grant reimbursement submission for the GLWTE Seg #3 project
- Miscellaneous increased due to the reimbursement for the GLWTE Seg #3 project
- Transfers In increased due to the potential park land purchase; AND

Expenditures & Other Financing Uses increased in the following:

- Public Safety increased due to the increase in projected building inspections and the purchase of turn out gear
- Culture and Recreation increased due to the greenspace grading delay
- Debt Service increased due to the interest payments for the new TIF debt issued May 2017
- Capital Projects increased due to the park land purchase and improvements, trail construction not yet expensed and other trail work
- Business Type / Enterprises increased due to the Wolf Creek sewer extension still in progress
- Transfers Out increased due to the potential park land purchase

There will be no increase in tax levies to be paid in the current fiscal year named above related to the proposed budget amendment. Any increase in expenditures set out above will be met from the increased non-property tax revenues and cash balances not budgeted or considered in this current budget.

Pleasant Street Water Main Crossing



This resolution is concerning the final payment estimates and acceptance of work on the Pleasant Street Water Main Crossing project. It is requested Synergy Contracting, LLC review Partial Payment Estimate No. 3 (Final) and Partial Payment Estimate No. 4 (Retainage).

The City of Bondurant will accept the project and pay the 5% retainage in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Iowa. The partial payment estimate is in the amount of \$1,862.00. The payment estimate is for payment of all remaining work on the project except

the final retainage, and based on the quantities included with our transmittal of June 20, 2017. The payment estimate shows a final contract amount of \$117,208.00 for Partial Payment Estimate No. 3 (final). Partial Payment Estimate No. 4 (Retainage) provides for the payment of the 5% retainage in the amount of \$5,860.40. It is requested Synergy Contracting, LLC review Partial Payment Estimate No. 3 (Final) and Partial Payment Estimate No. 4 (Retainage).

DART

The DART Commission discussed ways in which to promote a more unified regional vision for public transit. Currently, not all members have a representative on the governing body and that was identified as an impediment to a unified regional vision. The attached resolution approves an amendment to the DART 28E Agreement. The amendment would reconstitute the Commission membership and would now include a representative from each member community. Elizabeth Presutti, CEO of DART will be here on Monday to address the Council and answer questions.



The first meeting of the reconstituted Commission would be in October, 2017. The Council is also being asked to appoint a primary and alternate Commission member under a separate agenda item. The primary member of the Board must be an elected official. The alternate member of the Board can be either an elected or appointed official.

Fee Schedule

The City recently approved a resolution which updates a fee schedule for a variety of fees charged by the City. Specifically, updates are being made to the Fire/EMS fees that have not been updated in several years. The fee are updated to be in accordance with the cost of providing the services and are consistent with surrounding jurisdictions.



Calendar City Council Meetings

The following meetings will be held in the Council Chambers:

August 7 @ 6:00 p.m.

August 21 @ 6:00 p.m.

For the most current information, go to www.cityofbondurant.com.

Disconnect Day



The City of Bondurant sends out utility bills the first of every month. Payment is due on the 15th, and on the 16th, we add 10% to your original amount. Each month, a date is determined for "disconnect day" (please note that the date is not the same each month). If a payment is not received by the date listed on the notice that is mailed out to you, the City will disconnect your water and a \$50 non-payment fee will be applied to your utility bill.

City Hall does offer automatic payment. With Automatic Payment, your payment is automatically withdrawn from your account, at the financial institution of your choice, on the 15th of the billed month. If the 15th is on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, the withdrawal will be on the following business day. You will continue to receive a billing statement each month so you can make the proper entry in your account register.

We also offer a paperless option for your utility bill. We have the capability to email your bill if you desire.

Disconnect Day is August 28.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this process, please do not hesitate to contact City Hall.

Relocating Mud Creek

Taxpayers pay billions of dollars each year for disaster recovery. Some events are predictable, and often, damages can be reduced or eliminated. The Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires communities to develop an approved local hazard mitigation plan to remain eligible for certain federal funding.

The Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is developed by the Polk County Emergency Agency, in conjunction with members. The City of Bondurant is a member of the Polk County Emergency Commission. In 2013, Polk County Emergency Management adopted a plan that contained some mitigation strategies from the City of Bondurant, including purchasing a generator for City Hall and one for the Public Safety Building. City Hall now has a generator but the Public Safety Building still needs one.

Additionally, there are mitigation strategies that staff would like to add to the plan in the future, but currently, the most pressing is the relocation of Mud Creek. The estimated cost of the relocation is \$250,000. The purpose of the relocation is to significantly reduce the potential for upstream flooding of the Mallard Pointe subdivision, where a substantial number of homes experienced flooding in 2010. This project is currently included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan.

The attached resolution adopts this new mitigation strategy (Mud Creek Relocation) and requests that Polk County Emergency Management Agency include this strategy in the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The resolution also authorized the City Administrator to pursue Federal Emergency Management Agency grant funding to accomplish the relocation of Mud Creek and the purchase of a generator for the Public Safety Building.

As you review the attached mitigation strategy, it is helpful to know that the relocation of Mud Creek falls under priority 4 in the Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, which is, "4. Protect the most vulnerable populations, buildings, and critical facilities through the implementation of cost-effective and technically feasible mitigation actions." Also, in order to implement a new hazard mitigation strategy, we must assign it a STAPLEE number. STAPLEE is a tool used to assess the costs and benefits, and overall feasibility of mitigation actions. STAPLEE stands for the following and a worksheet showing how the score is assessed is included in this item.

Social: Will the action be acceptable to the community? Could it have an unfair effect on a particular segment of the population?

Technical: Is the action technically feasible? Are there secondary impacts? Does it offer a long-term solution?

Administrative: Are there adequate staffing, funding, and maintenance capabilities to implement the project?

Political: Will there be adequate political and public support for the project?

Legal: Does your jurisdiction have the legal authority to implement the action?

Economic: Is the action cost-beneficial? Is there funding available? Will the action contribute to the local economy?