REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Christopher Taylor called the council meeting to order at 7 p.m. at Swisher City Hall, Swisher, Iowa on May 11, 2015.

Council Present: Sandy Fults, Angie Hinrichs, Mike Stagg, and Larry Svec. Absent: Mary Gudenkauf.

Also present: City Clerk Tawnia Kakacek, Superintendent Craig Vondracek, Library Director Laura Hoover, City Engineer Tim Cutsforth, Johnson County Deputy Sheriff, Rebekah Neuendorf, Norm Neal, Carolyn Warkentin, Taylor Calef, Greg Brenneman.

Consent Agenda: After review and discussion, Stagg moved, seconded by Fults, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of: Agenda, April 13, 2015 Minutes, List of Claims, March 2015 Clerk/Treasurer Report and Utility Audit Report, Alcohol Refund to Shooters on Second. Roll call for vote was taken. All ayes. Absent: Gudenkauf. Motion carried.

Citizens’ Comments: Greg Brenneman expressed concern of street cracking on Swisher View Drive. City Engineer Cutsforth noted this was planned for repair in 2017-18 budget year but may be able to repair some of it earlier.

Reports:
Library Director Report: Hoover reported the following: Teen Room should be done by 6-1-15, Easter Egg Hunt went well, sold 800 books at the Book Sale, Summer Reading Program for children will start 6-11-15 and Summer Adult Reading Program starts 6-6-15, the Swisher Library is officially partnered with North Liberty Food Pantry. She showed some new library books.

Engineer Report: City Engineer Cutsforth noted he completed the zoning map changes and worked on the alley/street quotes.

Sheriff Report: Mayor inquired Deputy Sheriff input of the Community ID Program. He was in favor of it.

Mayor Report: Mayor Taylor noted the City Wide Garage Sale and Cleanup went well.

Council Reports: No councils’ reports at this time.

Employees’ Reports: Vondracek noted the following: they are mowing a lot due to the rain, finished the park preparations, Dave Chalupsky has started work on the culvert at Castek Park, are straightening signs throughout town, will be renting skid loader to work on drainage issues and plans to paint lines on the streets. Hinrichs requested the “Welcome” signs to Swisher be touched up and replace the plants by the signs. Council agreed. Kakacek noted upcoming committee meetings, requested to contact attorney regarding resident not following building requirements process. Council agreed.


BUSINESS:
Public Hearing to Adopt 2014-15 Budget Amendment: Motion by Stagg, seconded by Hinrichs to open public hearing to adopt 2014-15 Budget Amendment. Call for vote. All ayes. Absent: Gudenkauf. Motion carried. Public hearing opened at 7:38 p.m. No verbal or written comments were received. Motion by Svec, seconded by Stagg, to close public hearing. Call for vote. All ayes. Absent: Gudenkauf. Motion carried. Public hearing closed at 7:39 p.m.

Proclamation-Older Americans Month 2015: Carolyn Warkentin noted Johnson County Livable Community is to assist with successful aging and always needs volunteers. Mayor read and signed Older Americans Month 2015 Proclamation.

Fun Days Signage: Rebekah Neuendorf requested if Swisher Fun Day banners could be put up thru town up to promote the event. Council agreed to let Swisher Fun Days Committee purchase banners. Fun Days will coordinate with Superintendedn Vondracek to mount banners.

Park Improvements: Stagg moved, seconded by Fults, to table discussion of park improvements until Park Commission Representative is present to discuss their requests. Call for vote. All ayes. Absent: Gudenkauf. Motion carried.


Street Sweeping: Norm Neal stated he wants his street to be cleaned. Kakacek gave rates of various companies to sweep/vacuum streets. Council directed Kakacek to get more details for next regularly scheduled meeting. Council noted they should sell the city sweeper. Vondracek will present a preliminary list of items to sell at next meeting.

Barker-LeMar Agreement: Kakacek noted the state has approved funding for this post excavation groundwater sampling and site monitoring for D & G Lot. After discussion, Hinrichs moved, seconded by Fults, to approve Barker LeMar Agreement for post excavation and site monitoring at cost of $3,720.00. Roll call vote. Ayes: Fults, Hinrichs, Stagg. Nays: Svec. Absent: Gudenkauf. Motion carried.

Alleys: City Engineer Cutsforth noted the quotes for the two alleys behind Shelton’s Grocery and Shooters surpassed the budgeted amount and recommended council to reject bids and get bid only for the alley behind Shelton’s. After discussion, Stagg moved, seconded by Fults, to reject all alley bids and have city engineer obtain bids for alley behind Shelton’s Grocery. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Absent: Gudenkauf. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2015-17—Award Bid for 2015-16 Pavement Rehabilitation: After review and discussion of bids from Prairie Road Builders of $20,576.80 and LL Pelling of $25,561.00, Svec moved, seconded by Stagg to approve Resolution No. 2015-17 entitled “A RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR 2015-16 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION” to Prairie Road Builders not exceeding $27,000.00 with the city engineer adding part of Swisher View Drive. Roll call vote. Ayes: Fults, Hinrichs, Stagg, Svec. Nays: None. Absent: Gudenkauf. Resolution No. 2015-17 passed.


Resolution No. 2015-20—Support of Community ID: Mayor Taylor noted the Johnson County Board of Supervisors have approved Community ID and if approved by Swisher, we would be accepting the general idea but at no cost to Swisher. County Auditor and Attorney are still working out the details. After discussion, Svec moved, seconded by Hinrichs to approve Resolution No. 2015-20 entitled “RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR CITY OF SWISHER AND JOHNSON COUNTY”. Roll call vote. Ayes: Fults, Hinrichs, Stagg, Svec. Nays: None. Absent: Gudenkauf. Resolution No. 2015-20 passed.
**Businesses and Flags:** Council reviewed letter from American Legion Auxiliary requesting to work with businesses to have flags attached to their buildings. Legion would donate the first flag. Council indicated support for the Legion doing this.

**Code on UTVs:** Kakacek noted the current code does not address UTV but the state code does address it and Swisher’s future codification will address it as well. Council directed this to be on the next agenda to consider allowing ATV, UTV’s on certain streets.


**Correspondence:** Council reviewed invitation letter from Army Corps of Engineers and Veterans Trail Commission to Memorial Day ceremony and Iowa League of Cities Small City Workshop. Johnson County Sheriff April 2015 Report, Building Permits for 200 Orchard Street & 321 Amy Street and Mediacom update were on the council table for review.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Svec seconded by Hinrichs to adjourn. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

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Tawnia Kakacek, City Clerk                 Christopher Taylor, Mayor