Call to Order: Mayor Christopher Taylor called the Special Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Swisher City Hall, Swisher, Iowa on September 12, 2016.

Council Present: Mary Gudenkauf, Angie Hinrichs, Mike Stagg, Larry Svec. Absent: Rebekah Neuendorf. Neuendorf arrived at 6:35 p.m.

Also present: City Clerk Tawnia Kakacek, Public Works Supervisor Craig Vondracek, City Engineer Tim Cutsforth, Lieutenant Brian Adolph-Johnson County Sheriff Department, Amanda Mize, Josh Pfannebecker, Jerry Wood, Don Lorenzen, Douglas Tomash, Doug Hickey.

Agenda: Motion by Gudenkauf, seconded by Stagg to approve the agenda. All ayes. Absent: Neuendorf. Motion carried.

Johnson County Sheriff Department: Lieutenant Brian Adolph noted where they are stationing their patrol cars. Neuendorf arrived at 6:35 p.m. Neuendorf noticed speeding along Summit into Oak Avenue. Adolph will add those streets to list of patrol. He also noted that Swisher has one of the lowest calls for service in Johnson County. Hinrichs inquired the number of contract hours Swisher pays for compare to other towns that use Johnson County Sheriff services. Adolph noted Swisher has one of the lowest contract hours.

Consideration of Installing Sidewalks on Alan Avenue: Douglas Tomash inquired of the background for considering sidewalks on Alan Avenue. Mayor noted this was due to complaint received of people speeding on Alan Avenue where children are playing and riding bikes on the street and concern of children safety. Tomash inquired how many sidewalks are town and cost of installing sidewalks on Alan Avenue. It was noted Orchard Heights have sidewalks and it is required for new developments to have sidewalks. City Engineer Cutsforth gave rough cost estimate of $1600 per household for 4’ sidewalk and $2000 per household for 5’ sidewalk. Kakacek noted this could be paid thru special assessment on property taxes over ten years if resident didn’t want to pay all at once. Residents’ concerns were they would have to move the electrical boxes that are in the front yards, less room for children to play in front yards, adding sidewalks would not address the speeding issue and recommend changing speed limit to 15 miles per hour from 25 miles per hour. Engineer Cutsforth noted that state law requires the speed limit to be set by 80% of the traffic speed for that area. It was noted the contractors/construction workers on Fisher’s 5th Development are going thru Alan Avenue to job site instead of coming off 120th Street/Division Street as required for this development. City will contact Fisher’s and remind them of this agreement. Council agreed to discuss the speed limit on Alan Avenue at future meeting. No action was taken to install sidewalks on Alan Avenue.

Adjournment: Motion by Stagg, seconded by Neuendorf to adjourn. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Tawnia Kakacek, City Clerk  Christopher Taylor, Mayor