

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, IOWA

1004 Melrose Ave.

November 9, 2004

Proceedings of the City Council of University Heights, Iowa, subject to approval by the Council at a subsequent meeting. ALL VOTES ARE UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Jacobson, Council members From, Giese, Laverman, Schoenmaker, and Wood.
Staff: Attorney Ballard, Clerk Musser, Engineer Bilskemper, Police Chief Fort, Assistant Chief Sedivec. Others present: Gigi Wood, Ben Gauger, Jason Eness, Andy Dudler, Russ Boyer.

MOTION by Giese, seconded by Wood, to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2004 regular meeting of the Council as presented. Carried

PUBLIC INPUT: Andy Dudler inquired about the status of his request to plant a new tree on his property. The City Engineer acknowledged the request stating that he had not acted on the request at this time but would consider it soon. Dudler also informed the Mayor of his desire to be reappointed to the Zoning Commission.

A letter had been received from Jim and Margie Ebert concerning their sighting of a mountain lion on Finkbine Golf Course, just adjacent to the University Heights city limits. This situation, of a potentially dangerous wild animal being so near the City, was discussed at length by the Council. Chief Fort and Councilman Giese offered information and advice from their knowledge. Chief Fort will be walking the wooded areas near where the mountain lion was seen, as conditions permit, to attempt to verify the presence of the animal and consider if there is any possibility of danger to the public.

Attorney Ballard presented Ordinance No. 137 proposing to allowing hunting of whitetail deer by bow and arrow within the City as had been discussed at previous Council meetings. **MOTION** by Wood, seconded by Laverman, to suspend the requirement that a proposed ordinance be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed.

From	Aye	Schoenmaker	Aye
Giese	Aye	Wood	Aye
Laverman	Aye		

Carried

MOTION by Giese, seconded by Laverman to approve **Ordinance No. 137, An Ordinance to Allow the Hunting of Whitetail Deer With a Bow and Arrow by Persons Licensed by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and Permitted by the City of University Heights During Designated Hunting Season**, and to strike the word **anterless** wherever it occurs in the version of this Ordinance presented to the Council at this meeting.

From	Aye	Schoenmaker	Aye
Giese	Aye	Wood	Aye
Laverman	Aye		

Carried

Mayor Jacobson and Councilman Schoenmaker spoke of the Cedar-Iowa River Rail Excursion service plan and the proposal to fund a feasibility study for this tourism promoting concept. University Heights has been asked for \$500 toward the proposed \$150,000 cost of this study. **MOTION** by Schoenmaker, seconded by Giese, to pledge \$500 toward this study. Carried

Treasurer's Report: **MOTION** by Giese, seconded by Wood, to approve all bills as presented. Carried

Warrants October 13 – November 9, 2004

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Fort, Ronald R.	1,131.36	Hamm, Michael G.	960.87
Rockafellow, Ryan P.	743.11	Sedivec, John A.	778.65
McLeod USA	113.00	MidAmerican Energy	83.30
MidAmerican Energy	62.67	MidAmerican Energy	602.14
MidAmerican Energy	74.62	Kimura, Lori D.	189.97
Fort, Ronald R.	1,067.00	Rockafellow, Ryan P.	743.10
Hamm, Michael G.	927.52	Musser, Jerry B.	258.56

Sedivec, John A.	781.08	Collection Services Center	364.00
Iowa State Bank & Trust	2,484.02	Wellmark BC/BS	537.60
IPERS	1,608.56	Paul J. Moore	750.00
Kirkwood Community College	5.00	City of Iowa City	19.60
Electronic Engineering	58.80	Pyramid Services	55.48
VISA	4.42	Staples	68.74
City of Iowa City	3,063.04	City of Iowa City	14.27
SEATS	644.07	Racom Corporation	125.20
Reinhard, Brad	14.43	Fesler's Inc.	46.94
Galls Inc.	334.40	Iowa City Tire	517.14
Nate's Leather	500.00	Johnson County Refuse	1,555.50
Amitava Roy	30.00	Laurie Collies & Young Kwon	75.00
Marlys Svare	75.00	Tom Bullers	75.00
		TOTAL WARRANTS	\$21,543.16

RECEIPTS General 105,718.55 Debt Service 15,097.22 Total \$120,815.77

Mayor's Report: Mayor Jacobson reported that Sulo Wiitala has resigned from the Zoning Commission as of November 1, 2004. The Mayor then appointed Carl Robertson to the position, effective Nov. 1, 2004. This term expires on Dec. 31, 2007.

Reserve Officer Nicholas Dunbar was presented a Life Saving Award by Mayor Jacobson for his actions of using the defibrillator and CPR to revive a heart attack victim

Clerk's Report: There were two building permits since the October meeting, for remodeling activity at 335 and 345 Koser Ave. The 2004 Financial Report has been completed by the accountant, will soon be published and filed by the Dec. 1 deadline.

Legal Report: A Zoning Commission meeting is scheduled for Nov. 18, 2004 to consider a proposal for changes to the Grandview Court property.

Engineer's Report: The street contractor is working to complete street repairs and the street painting project is partially complete. Engineer Bilskemper had taken estimates for removal of a tree in the vicinity of 55 Prospect Pl.

MOTION by Laverman, seconded by From, to accept the \$800 bid from Noel's Tree Service to remove a dead tree at the westerly end of Prospect Place. Carried

Police Report: Written report presented.

Committee Reports: Finance: . A bike rack for Triangle Park is ordered and should be shipped in 3-4 weeks.

e-government: No report.

Building, Zoning & Sanitation: Wood asked the Council their position on the upcoming zoning hearing but the Council felt they did not have enough information to comment at this time.

Community Protection: The committee is working on the police budget to allow for unexpected costs, including new pads for the defibrillator units. They are also investigating health insurance costs hoping to find a carrier that is less costly and provides better service.

Streets and Sidewalks: Russ Boyer has purchased a tractor/loader unit and asked if he could store it in the rented garage space during the winter. The Council agreed.

JCCOG: Schoenmaker had attended a meeting of Emergency Management and is scheduled for a JCCOG meeting tomorrow. Weather radios have been distributed, a unified approach to response to a major disaster was discussed and he is reading information furnished to him on comprehensive planning.

MOTION by From, seconded by Wood, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Attest: Jerry B. Musser, City Clerk

Approved: Gloria Jacobson, Mayor