

**ARNOLDS PARK, IA
REGULAR SESSION
DECEMBER 12, 2007 6:00 P.M.**

COUNCIL PRESENT: Munsen, Watters, Jensen, Christensen, Koppert. Mayor Mitchell presided.

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob Shaw, Julie Scheib, John Adams, Russ Beckendorf, Brian Petersen, Kyle Adams, Rick Thompson, Jeff Rose, Kelly Norland.

Motion approving consent agenda. Watters/Christensen. Ayes; five. Nays; none.

Motion approving the liquor licenses for Great Spirits Wine and Liquor Company under new ownership-Brian Petersen. Also approved the new liquor license for Bracco Island Bar at Bridges Bay Resort. Munsen/Koppert. Ayes; five. Nays; none.

Motion approving the cigarette permit for Great Spirits Wine and Liquor Company under new ownership-Brian Petersen. Watters/Christensen. Ayes; four. Nays; one (Koppert).

IOWA COMMUNITIES ASSURANCE POOL: Russ Beckendorf, Insurance Agent gave the Council an overview of the new insurance renewal. Motion to approve the insurance renewal at six million the same amount as Okoboji due to the sharing of the Fire Department for both cities. Jensen/Munsen. Ayes; four. Nays; one (Watters).

DISCOVERY HOUSE: Bob Shaw and Julie Scheib gave an update regarding the Discovery House. It was the consensus of the Council to review all the funding requests at the January meeting, as they have done in past years.

PROPERTY PURCHASE: The Council reviewed the counter offer of \$360,000 for the proposed property purchase of 228 N. Highway 71. It was the consensus of the Council not to except the counter offer no action was taken. Motion to purchase 788 square feet for Rob Ritzer to square off the property of 60 Hinshaw Street at the asking price of \$4200. This property is located behind City Hall. Jensen/Koppert. Ayes; five. Nays; none.

WATER RATES: **ORDINANCE NO. 07-07** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ARNOLDS PARK, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES. Water rates will increase from \$2.50 per 1000 gallons to \$3.00 per 1000 gallons. The rate is affective starting January 1, 2008 but will be calculated on the April billing. Introduced by Munsen. Seconded by Jensen. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion to waive the second and third readings. Munsen/Jensen. Ayes; five. Nays; none.

DAM ROAD & HELMS DRIVE: Motion approving Pay Estimate No. 3 in the amount of \$277,322.65 to Godbersen-Smith Construction for the Dam Road and Helms Drive Improvements per the recommendation by Jacobsen-Westergard & Associates, Inc. Watters/Christensen. Ayes; five. Nays; none.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: It was the consensus of the Council to approve the Police Reserves annual shifts and pay. Chief Krueger will report to the Council yearly regarding arrests, tickets that were issued, accidents, etc. Krueger reported to the Council the new Police office is now finished.

EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS BONUSES: Motion to give each full and part-time employee a \$100 gift card. Each full time employee will also receive one day off with pay. This is the same as last year. Jensen/Watters. Ayes; five. Nays; none.

WATER IMPROVEMENTS: Elm Drive water improvements estimated cost for boring under the street is \$108,000 or directional boring estimated at \$28,000. It was the consensus of the Council to move forward with the directional boring. Koppert stated to save as many trees as possible in the project.

STORM WATER IMPROVEMENTS: Motion to move ahead with storm water improvements on Prairie Lane and to be consistent, the curb and gutter will be at the residents expense as has been done in the past. Munsen/Koppert. Ayes; five. Nays; none.

Miscellaneous non-action items: Street Committee updates: Sawmill bridge; Motion approving to proceed with the preliminary plans which will design the Sawmill Bridge at a height of 8'6". Munsen/Koppert. Ayes; four. Nays; one (Christensen). Snow removal tabled until the Street Committee meets again.

Motion to adjourn. Munsen/Christensen. Ayes; five. Nays; none. Mayor Mitchell declared the meeting adjourned at 8:01 P.M.

Mayor

City Administrator