

**CITY OF PELLA, IOWA  
CITY COUNCIL  
PRELIMINARY SUMMARY MINUTES  
May 6, 2008**

**A. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR AND ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Pella, Iowa, met in regular session at the Public Safety Complex meeting room at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Darrell Dobernecker presiding. Members present were: Jim Mueller, Dan L. Vander Beek, Rich Savery, Bruce Schiebout, Tony Bokhoven. Absent: Mark De Jong. City Administrator Mike Nardini, City Attorney Bob Stuyvesant, and City Clerk Ronda Brown were present. Eight staff members and fifteen members of the general public signed the register.

**B. MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

1. Announce Policy and Planning Meeting following the regular Council meeting to discuss:
  - a. Public Improvements Acceptance and Building Permit Issuance in New Subdivisions
  - b. Private Signage in Public Right of Way
  - c. Department Committee Support Assignments.
2. Approval of tentative agenda. Item B-1-b was pulled from the agenda. Councilmember Vander Beek moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Bokhoven. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Vander Beek, Bokhoven, Mueller, Savery, Schiebout. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
3. Proclamation declaring May 11-17 as Iowa School Board Recognition Week 2008. Mayor Dobernecker read a proclamation declaring May 11-17 as Iowa School Board Recognition Week.
4. Reappointment of Robin Martin to the Community Center Board. Councilmember Vander Beek moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Vander Beek, Mueller, Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
5. Reappointment of Jim Hibma to the Community Center Board. Councilmember Savery moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Schiebout. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven, Mueller, Vander Beek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
6. Reappointment of Merlan Rolffs to the Board of Adjustment. Councilmember Savery moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Savery, Mueller, Vander Beek, Schiebout, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
7. Reappointment of Ron Noordsy to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilmember Mueller moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Savery. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Mueller, Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven, Vander Beek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
8. Reappointment of Howard Pothoven to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilmember Vander Beek moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Savery. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Vander Beek, Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven, Mueller. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
9. Announce Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 1 (c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.
10. Announce Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 1 (j) to discuss the purchase of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property.

**\*PUBLIC FORUM (for anyone wishing to address Council regarding agenda items.)**

NONE

**C. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Vander Beek moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Vander Beek, Mueller, Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. The following items were approved:

1. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Official Council Minutes for April 15, 2008.
2. Report of Committees
  - a. Policy and Planning Minutes for April 15, 2008.
  - b. Community Center Board Minutes for March 25, 2008.
  - c. Pella Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes for March 11, 2008.
  - d. Building Code Board of Appeals Minutes for September 27, 2007.
  - e. Community Development Committee Minutes for February 13, 2008.
  - f. Community Development Committee Minutes for April 9, 2008.
  - g. Planning and Zoning Minutes for March 24, 2008.
3. Petitions and Communications
  - a. Special Event for USA Volleyball Tournament – July 19, 2008.
  - b. Special Event for Red Rock Threshers Tractor Pull – June 7 and June 14, 2008.
  - c. Special Event for Chamber of Commerce Friday after 5.

4. Administration Reports  
NONE

**D. \*PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. a. Public Hearing to consider a Deer Reduction Program for the City of Pella. Councilmember Schiebout moved to enter letter and petition in opposition to deer hunting in neighborhoods into public record, seconded by Councilmember Vander Beek. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Vander Beek, Savery, Bokhoven, Mueller. NAYS: None. Motion carried. Oral comments were received and addressed. Councilmember Vander Beek moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilmember Savery. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Vander Beek, Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven, Mueller. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. b. Resolution No. 4800 entitled, "RESOLUTION APPROVING A DEER REDUCTION PROGRAM". Councilmember Savery moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Schiebout. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven, Mueller, Vander Beek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**E. PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Special Event – Crossroads of Pella Summer Workout. Councilmember Bokhoven moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Bokhoven, Mueller, Vander Beek, Savery, Schiebout. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**F. PLANNING AND ZONING ITEMS**

NONE

**G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

NONE

**H. RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution No. 4801 entitled, "RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PELLA, IOWA AND SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH." Councilmember Mueller moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Savery. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Mueller, Savery, Schiebout, Bokhoven, Vander Beek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. Resolution No. 4802 entitled, "RESOLUTION ORDERING CONSTRUCTION OF THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF BIDS FOR THE E. UNIVERSITY STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT 2008." Councilmember Schiebout moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Mueller, Vander Beek, Savery, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**I. ORDINANCES**

1. Ordinance No. 776 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF PELLA BY AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE, 165.11 CLASSIFICATION OF USES AND TABLE 165.12-2 PERMITTED USES BY ZONING DISTRICTS BY ADDING PROVISIONS DEFINING MUNICIPAL PARKING AS A USE AND PERMITTING MUNICIPAL PARKING IN THE CBD CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT." Councilmember Vander Beek moved to place Ordinance No. 776 on its second reading, seconded by Councilmember Schiebout. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Vander Beek, Schiebout, Bokhoven, Mueller, Savery. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. Ordinance No. 777 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NOS. 612 AND 695, PROVIDING THAT GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED AND COLLECTED EACH YEAR ON ALL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE AMENDED PELLA BUSINESS CORRIDOR URBAN RENEWAL AREA OF THE CITY OF PELLA, COUNTY OF MARION, STATE OF IOWA, BY AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE OF IOWA, CITY OF PELLA, COUNTY OF MARION, PELLA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND OTHER TAXING DISTRICTS, BE PAID TO A SPECIAL FUND FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON LOANS, MONIES ADVANCED TO AND INDEBTEDNESS, INCLUDING BONDS ISSUED OR TO BE ISSUED, INCURRED BY SAID CITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE AMENDED PELLA BUSINESS CORRIDOR URBAN RENEWAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT." Councilmember Schiebout moved to place Ordinance No. 777 on its second reading, seconded by Councilmember Vander Beek. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Vander Beek, Savery, Bokhoven, Mueller. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**K. CLAIMS**

1. Abstract of bills No. 1766. Councilmember Schiebout moved to approve and issue warrants, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Mueller, Vander Beek, Savery, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**L. OTHER BUSINESS/\*PUBLIC FORUM (any additional comments from the Public)**

NONE

At 7:45 p.m., Council went to Policy and Planning Meeting.

**M. CLOSED SESSION**

1. At 8:02 p.m., Councilmember Schiebout moved to enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 1 (c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation, seconded by Councilmember Vander Beek. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Vander Beek, Savery, Bokhoven, Mueller. NAYS: None. Motion carried. Motion was made by Councilmember Schiebout to reconvene to regular session, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Mueller, Vander Beek, Savery, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. Motion carried. No action was taken.

2. At 8:30 p.m., Councilmember Schiebout moved to enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 1 (j) to discuss the purchase of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property, seconded by Councilmember Bokhoven. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Bokhoven, Mueller, Vander Beek, Savery. NAYS: None. Motion carried. At 8:42 p.m., motion was made by Councilmember Schiebout to reconvene to regular session, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Schiebout, Mueller, Vander Beek, Savery, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. Motion carried. No action was taken.

#### **N. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business claiming their attention, Councilmember Savery moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Mueller. On roll call the vote was: AYES: Savery, Mueller, Vander Beek, Schiebout, Bokhoven. NAYS: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.