

**CITY OF NEW FLORENCE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
October 15, 2014**

The Board of Aldermen for the City of New Florence met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on October 15, 2014.

Present for roll call were:

**Council Members Present**

Mayor John Burroughs  
Alderman Andy Johnson  
Alderman Corey Johnson  
Alderman Steve Williams

**Staff Present**

City Administrator/Police Chief Dave Ingle  
City Clerk Adell Jonas  
Superintendent Alan Weber  
Attorney David Ferman

Alderman Adrian Heichelbech was not in attendance. Accounts Clerk Amy Talbot was also absent.

**Visitors**

There were no visitors.

Mayor Burroughs called the meeting to order.

**MAYORAL COMMENTS:** Mayor Burroughs asked the Council to address the creek on Co-op Road. He stated that something needed to be done about it. There were trees along the creek that need to come out. The bank is eroding because the water is not flowing right. If the city crew is unable to fix the problem, he would like the Council to consider hiring it done. He asked Administrator Ingle and Superintendent Weber to check it out, which they will do in the morning.

**CONSENT ITEMS:** The consent items consisted of the September 8 regular and closed board meeting minutes, the special closed session on September 15, the special sessions on September 22 and October 8, and the claims. Clerk Jonas stated that a water tower payment would be due before the Board meets again. It is for \$37,500.49.

**Motion:**

Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to accept the consent items with the additions to the claims. This was seconded by Alderman Corey Johnson.

<b>Vote:</b>	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion carries.**

**VISITOR COMMENTS:** There were no visitor comments.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Because there was no super majority in attendance, Bill I2-2014 for the drug testing contract was tabled until the November meeting.

Administrator Ingle stated that regarding the water tower loan, the Board approved American Bank at the last meeting. We have a letter of intent but have not asked for a contract and the loan as of yet. We need to hold out until the work is done and we have been invoiced so that we don't have to start paying on the loan. If the work is done in late October or November, we will probably be looking at December or January for a first payment to the bank.

Superintendent Weber stated that the storm water pipe joints at the park are not tight due to settling. To replace the complete line is estimated to cost \$17,000-18,000. He recommended for now to dig the joints out and collar with concrete. Alderman Williams questioned whether a grate needed to be put in. The answer was that it was not necessary. Alderman Andy Johnson asked if we could still connect to the sewer if we wanted to go further. The answer was affirmative.

**Motion:**

Alderman Andy Johnson motioned to install concrete collars on the joints (patch repair) at the Park, seconded by Alderman Williams.

<b>Vote:</b>	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion passes.**

The new building permit application revision was presented for approval. There was one line added for indicating the square footage on the main level. They also requested adding "Residential" to the heading on the permit application.

**Motion:**

Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to accept the building permit with "Residential" added to the header and with the square footage of main level in the body. This was seconded by Alderman Corey Johnson.

<b>Vote:</b>	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion carries.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** Clerk Jonas stated that in spite of sending out personal letters to Jerry Overkamp, Tom Cobb, the Gerdings, Art Daume and one other, and posting it on our website, we only got one bid back for the haying on the irrigation ground and the lagoon. That bid was from Art Daume, who presented two different propositions, dependent on whether it would be an annual lease or if he could lock it in for five years. After discussion with our attorney on whether we could bond a future board if we went with the five year lease, it was decided that if we could show economic benefit to the City, and could place some outs in the contract, we could do it. One out would be if our DNR permit changes; the other out would be if the next Board of Aldermen were opposed. In the event of either of these happening, reimbursement for lime and fertilizer put on the application site(s) would be prorated and returned to Mr. Daume. Ingle will work with Attorney Ferman to come up with a new contract for review at the November meeting.

Next up for discussion was an overlay for Illinois Street. Superintendent Weber presented an estimate from Dale Schlitt Contracting so the Board could have an idea of cost for the project. This estimate was broken out in sections. The City has not yet gone out for bids for the project. Administrator Ingle stated that there was no money in the street budget for this so it would have to be a general revenue expense. He indicated that the funds were available. There were numerous questions about how much to do and discussion about drainage and needed repairs prior to the overlay.

**Motion:**

Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to table the street repair on Illinois Street until the January board meeting. Alderman Williams seconded his motion.

<b>Vote:</b>	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion passes.**

The health insurance renewal was the next item for discussion. Administrator Ingle stated that the City can extend for one more year before we have to participate in the Affordable Care Act. The bid from Anthem Blue Cross came in cheaper than the ACA rates. The premium did go up but only by 9.9%. Ingle stated that he also inquired about a quote for supplemental dental coverage. The cost for the year would be an additional \$3,189.48 per year to cover all employees. He stated that we had to add coverage at the time of renewal, or else it could not be added until the next renewal.

**Motion:**

Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion renew the health insurance with Anthem Blue Cross with the dental coverage. Alderman Williams seconded the motion.

<b>Vote:</b>	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion carries.**

Mayor Burroughs stated that he would like to ask Adrian Heichelbech to serve on the Planning & Zoning Board, along with himself, Larry Elflein, Rick Fischer, Ernie Talbot, Barb Bethel and Chuck Clark. We need to have a P&Z meeting after the Public Hearing and before the Board Meeting in November. Ingle stated that a holding tank variance needed to be approved for Rick Turner. Since the Variance Board is a recommending board, he thought the Board of Aldermen could approve the variance at this meeting without convening the Variance Board.

**Motion:**

Alderman Corey Johnson made a motion to approve the holding tank request for Rick Turner on said property. Alderman Andy Johnson made the second.

<b>Vote:</b>	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion passes.**

It was decided that the Public Hearing for the zoning request would be held on November 10 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. Then the Planning and Zoning Board would meet at 6:00 p.m. after the hearing to review the requests and the comments. They would then present their recommendation at the Board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Administration:** City Administrator Ingle presented his report. The attached sheet on his report indicated what the Drug Task Force had seized over the past quarter. He also asked how to handle the replacement of culverts that need replacing. He stated that the one in front of the Rick Fischer property needed to be replaced, the one under Broadwater at Mortimer Street and the Lewis Cirincione property. After discussion, it was determined that the property owners needed to purchase the culvert pipe and the City would install them. The pipe for under Broadwater at Mortimer was purchased a while back.

**Motion:**

Alderman Williams made a motion to approve the work to replace three culvert pipes at the owner's expense. This was seconded by Alderman Corey Johnson. There was no votes taken.

**Motion:**

Alderman Williams rescinded his motion, and it was tabled until next month. Clerk Jonas is to contact Lewis Cirincione.

**Police:** Chief Ingle presented his report. There was no additional discussion and Chief Ingle temporarily got called out of the board room.

**City Clerk:** Clerk Jonas presented her report. She stated that Governor Nixon's veto for sales tax exemption for private interest groups was not overturned. She stated that Kenny Hales would be in to start our 2013-14 audit on Thursday and Friday of this week.

**Legal:** Attorney Ferman stated that he had nothing to report and asked to be excused.

**Parks:** Alderman Steve Williams stated that the Parks was hosting a second Trivia night on October 18, and Dinner with Santa was scheduled for the Saturday of Thanksgiving week.

**Economic Development:** Nothing to report.

**Public Works:** Superintendent Weber presented his report. He said most items had been covered already. He stated that the lagoon was at 10'8". He also stated that after Gerdings removed their beans, he intended to run their pivot to get the lagoon level down.

**Motion:**

Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to go to closed session, seconded by Alderman Williams.

<b>Vote:</b> Mayor John Burroughs	None
Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion carries.**

Upon return from closed session, where the only motion made was to go back to open session, Alderman Corey Johnson made a motion to hire Kyle Bradbury as a new, non-paid reserve officer. This was seconded by Alderman Andy Johnson.

<b>Vote:</b> Mayor John Burroughs	None
Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion carries.**

**Motion:**

Alderman Williams made a motion to approve having Mayor Burroughs sign off on J.D. Sinclair's retirement package. This was seconded by Alderman Andy Johnson.

<b>Vote:</b> Mayor John Burroughs	None
Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent

Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion carries.**

**Motion:**

There being no further business, Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Williams.

<b>Vote:</b>	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Adrian Heichelbech	Absent
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

**The motion passes** and the meeting adjourned.

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Adell Jonas, City Clerk

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John Burroughs, Mayor