

The City Council of the City of Princeton, Iowa met for a regular meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Kernan presided. A moment of silence was had in memory of September 11, 2001. Roll Call: Present: Stutting, Woomert, Phares, McDonough and Wolfe. Motion to approve consent agenda made by Woomert and seconded by Wolfe. Roll Call: All Ayes. with Stutting unable to vote due to a connection error for Stutting who joined VIA conference call. MC.

**MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Kernan introduced Chad McCleary of Ion Environmental Solutions. McCleary shared what his company does and that he reached out because Princeton was listed on the DNR website as not having a licensed water/wastewater operator. Council agreed to have McCleary’s company do a rate study for Princeton and make a decision regarding his operation after they receive Iowa American Water’s soft proposal.

Mayor Kernan addressed the upcoming Halloween Holiday, Council Phares and Park Board Member Applegate shared they would like to change Princeton Trick-or-Treat to Saturday October 30, 2021 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The Park board will host their annual Costume Contest with sign up starting at 4 p.m. and a parade to follow. The Princeton Fire Station will host the annual Halloween hotdog dinner.

**PLANNING AND ZONING:**

Council discussed the newly proposed rental ordinance, registration form and rental inspection list provided by the Princeton Planning and Zoning Board. Council has agreed to look over the ordinance and make a few corrections and start voting on the ordinance at the October meeting.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

A motion was made by Wolfe to approve RESOLUTION 2021-19, A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF PRINCETON’S APPLICATION FOR AN IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT RELATED TO THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER TRAIL ALONG US HIGHWAY 67 and was seconded by McDonough Roll Call: All Ayes. MC

A motion was made by Woomert to approve RESOLUTION 2021-20, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE INTERFUND TRANSFERES OF SUMS FOR FY 2021/22 FOR THE CITY OF PRINCETON IOWA and was seconded by McDonough. Roll Call: All Ayes. MC

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES:**

**Community Visioning** – Wolfe shared there will be a presentation of final concept designs on October 1<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m. in the Boll’s Community Center Parking lot and she encourages everyone to stop and see what the community has chosen.

**Public Safety** – Woomert shared she would like community members to line Highway 67 on Saturday September 11 at 10:00 a.m. as the World Trade Center beam makes its way through Scott County.

**Water & Sewer** – McDonough shared the soft proposal from Iowa American Water is planned to be presented at the October Council Meeting. McDonough also shared there were 30 volunteers for the Whiskey Run Creek Clean up this year and next year they are planning to change the cleanup to Spring instead of Summer. Public Works Foreman Rindler shared he has purchased new pumps for the sewer lagoon to get things running smoothly again.

**Streets** – Public Works Foreman Rindler shared the Bio-Swale project has started in Pineo Grove, Rindler also shared there was a concerned resident but after communication with himself and Council McDonough the resident is more understanding of the project and has calmed down. Rindler shared the watermain break project on Lost Grove Road has completed and the area has been patched.

**Park Board** – Council Phares shared the Park Board would like to move their official meeting time to 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday of every month. Member Applegate thanked Public Works for their work on the pocket park on River Drive.

**Trails** – Council McDonough shared they have submitted 2 grant applications to help for funding on the engineering and voiced concerns with roadblocks they were having with the appointed Council Liaison and with the mayor not signing a grant application

for the group. Mayor Kernan stated he did not refuse to sign the application the email was misinterpreted and that he would investigate the problem with the Council Liaison.

**CLOSING COMMENTS:**

With nothing further to discuss the meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Approved:

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Kevin Kernan, Mayor

Attest:

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Kisa Tweed, City Clerk/Treasurer