

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AMES CITY COUNCIL

AMES, IOWA

AUGUST 13, 2010

The Ames City Council met in special session at 5:00 p.m. on the 13th day of August, 2010, in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue, pursuant to law with Mayor Ann Campbell presiding and the following Council members present: Davis, Goodman, Larson, Mahayni, and Orazem. Council Member Wacha was brought in telephonically. *Ex officio* Member England was also present.

EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO CYRIDE FACILITY: Sheri Kyras, Transit Director, advised that, due to the severe flooding in the City of Ames, the CyRide facility experienced 12 - 18 inches of water in the bus storage and maintenance shop and 12 inches of water in the administrative office area. It is important to begin restoration work as soon as possible to prevent further deterioration and additional cost to the City. Ms. Kyras stated that FM Global, the City's insurance company, recommended American Technologies, Inc., to clean and restore the facility. That company has agreed to assess charges only to the extent that will be covered by FM Global. According to Finance Director Duane Pitcher, he believes that the City's deductible equates to \$25,000.

City Attorney Doug Marek said that a certificate from a competent licensed professional engineer had been received certifying that emergency repairs were necessary. That alleviates the need for competitive bidding, which allows repairs to begin immediately.

Moved by Goodman, seconded by Mahayni, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 10-380 authorizing emergency repairs and restoration to the CyRide facility to prevent further loss or damage.

Roll Call Vote: 6-0. Resolution declared adopted unanimously, signed by the Mayor, and hereby made a portion of these minutes.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Council members thanked the staff and community members for working around the clock at the latest flood emergency.

Police Chief Cychosz read a flood update provided to the City from Story County Emergency Management indicating that Story County had been added to the Disaster Declaration first declared by the Governor after the storm on July 19, 2010. That Declaration makes the City eligible for assistance for damages to public property from the storm on July 19, 2010, and the flood that occurred on August 10, 2010. The Declaration that makes public property eligible for assistance remains pending. City Schainker Steve Schainker announced that the City will still be responsible for 15% of the cost of damages to public property, which will have a significant budget impact. However, Mr. Schainker added that the first priority is to get safe drinking water restored for the City.

Mayor Campbell announced that late this afternoon, she issued a proclamation banning outdoor watering. City Attorney Marek explained that it means that outdoor watering is then prohibited; however, it is not punishable by municipal infraction.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Davis to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

Diane R. Voss, City Clerk

Ann H. Campbell, Mayor