

ORIENT, IOWA
APRIL 28, 2008
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

SPECIAL SESSION: Present- Mayor Gary Metzger. Council Members-Doug Brown, Michael Cooley, Larry Lemon, Jolene Neal, Deb Shinn.

The Agenda was approved as posted. D. Brown so moved, second by M. Cooley. All voting aye, motion carried.

Jeffrey Honkomp, Location Manager from Agriland FS Orient Plant, and Tom Bruck, Corporate Operations Director for Agriland FS, were present and presented the proposal of Agriland FS installing a 30,000-gallon Liquid Propane Tank (bullet) on the plant property at 108 Jackson Road. They stressed that Agriland FS takes the safety of the residents and businesses in Orient seriously, therefore, the following steps will be taken to insure the safety of their neighbors, employees and their products. The installation of this storage bullet will include the following: plans for the piers and plumbing under the bullet will be designed and drawn by a Growmark Engineer; all plans pertaining to placement and plumbing will meet local and state fire and safety regulations; State Fire Marshall will approve all plans for the bullet. Following discussion, D. Brown so moved to set the Public Hearing to approve issuing Agriland FS exemption to install the Liquid Propane Tank for Monday, May 12, at 7:00pm.. Second by L. Lemon. All aye, motion carried.

The Hiring Committee made their recommendation to the council as to the applicant they felt was the best qualified to fill the position of City Maintenance/Utility Worker. Motion made by L. Lemon, second by D. Shinn to hire Doug Neal for full-time position at a starting wage of \$10.00/hour plus benefits and health coverage with a review to **be held after 90 days from the date of hire**. Doug is required to get his Class B CDL with air brakes endorsement within the 90 days following date of employment. Employment will begin on or about May 15. All aye, motion carried. Abstain: J. Neal.

The City Clerk was instructed to send a letter explaining the "Clean-up Days" Program to be held in June out to the residents in May's utility billing. Motion by D. Brown, second by J. Neal. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by M. Cooley, second by L. Lemon, to approve the partial refund of Beer/Liquor License Application Fee to Quik Shop. All aye, motion carried.

The Amendment of Current City Budget was reviewed and discussed. D. Brown so moved to set date for Public Hearing on said amendment for May 12 at 7:15pm. Clerk to have proposed amendment published. Second by D. Shinn, with all voting aye, motion carried.

When the City Maintenance Department has a full workforce in place, the flagpole and planter in front of the bank building will be moved to a new location to make room for the bank's new flag pole. So moved by D. Brown, second by L. Lemon. All aye, motion carried.

No further business, M. Cooley so moved to adjourn. Second D. Brown. All aye, motion carried.

Gary Metzger, Mayor

Julie Frederick, City Clerk