The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jacobsen at 5:35pm. Council in attendance: Hemmingsen, Murray, Jacobsen, Griffith and Hocker. Jacobsen moved, Hocker seconded, to approve the agenda with the change of 8A from hearing to discussion. ALL AYED. Griffith moved, Murray seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. ALL AYED.

**Public Comments-** None

**Public Hearings-** Resolution 17-82, to convey easement- Mayor opened hearing at 5:37pm, being no one to speak on the issue, the Mayor closed the hearing at 5:38pm.

Resolution 17-87,to dispose of real estate- Mayor opened hearing at 5:39pm, being no one to speak on the issue, the Mayor closed the hearing at 5:40pm.
**Departmental Reports** Police- Through November 30th, there have been 1410 calls for service, 154 citations, and 56 arrests. Jim Perkins has complained about the stop lights and the location of the sensors.
Fire- Department will order 2 hand held radios and 4 mobiles instead of 6 hand held. There is a training burn scheduled for the 26th or 27th at 505 Pacific Ave. Officers were elected. Thygesen Chief, Griffith Assistant Chief, Petersen Treasure/Secretary. Updating the by-laws, will submit for Council approval at the February Council meeting. Asked for a plan and procedure for fire alarm system at Memorial Building. Mentioned that would advise caution on using fireworks this New Year’s Eve.

**Public Works-** submitted a written report.

**City Clerk-**  has achieved certification to be an Iowa Certified Municipal Clerk.
 **Library-**  presented the Council with the annual survey of usage for the Library.

**Old Business-** Downtown sidewalks- Council discussed the causes of the sidewalk damage in front of 310 Broadway. Jacobsen moved, Hemmingsen seconded to get bids to repair the sidewalk with bricks back in. ALL AYED.

Memorandum- after discussion, Griffith moved, Murray seconded, to accept the memorandum as stated. AYES: Griffith, Murray, Hocker, Hemmingsen NAYS: Jacobsen MOTION PASSED 3 to 1.

**New Business-** Abatement- The Council discussed with the Brian and Fran Anderson about the brick that have fallen off the front of their building. Jacobsen moved, Griffith seconded, to have the Andersons place a minimum 4 foot high and minimum 16 foot long plywood fence to contain the falling brick. Placing in a minimum of 4 feet from the curb. To be constructed within the next two weeks, and to keep the Council updated with the timeline of a mason fixing the problem permanently. ALL AYED.

**Certificate of Substantial completion-** Murray moved, Hocker seconded, to approve the Mayor to sign the certificate. ALL AYED.
**Pay Application-** Grundman- Hicks #6- Hemmingsen moved, Hocker seconded, to approve the pay application for $56,700 ALL AYED.

McCarthy #4- Hocker moved, Griffith seconded, to approve the pay application for $99,437.50 ALL AYED.

McCarthy #7- Griffith moved, Hemmingsen seconded, to approve the pay application for $193,760.64 ALL AYED.

 **Change orders-** McCarthy #5- Hocker moved, Jacobsen seconded, to approve the change order for $16,110 ALL AYED.

**Resolution 17-82-** Murray moved, Hemmingsen seconded, to adopt this resolution that grants and easement to Robert and Linda Blomme. ROLL CALL: AYES; Murray, Hemmingsen, Hocker, Griffith, Jacobsen NAYS; None RESOLUTION PASSED 5 to 0.
**Resolution 17-85-** Hocker moved, Jacobsen seconded, to adopt this resolution that awards the 3year contract for farm lease to Steve Johnston. ROLL CALL: AYES; Hocker, Jacobsen, Hemmingsen, Murray, Griffith NAYS; None RESOLUTION PASSED 5 to 0.
**Resolution 17-86-** Hocker moved, Murray seconded, to adopt this resolution that approves the Gleason Second Subdivision. ROLL CALL: AYES; Hocker, Murray, Jacobsen, Hemmingsen, Griffith. NAYS; None RESOLUTION PASSED 5 to 0.
**Resolution 17-87-** Murray moved, Jacobsen seconded, to table this resolution until next meeting to allow representatives from the school to be present. ALL AYED.
**Resolution 17-88-**  Hemmingsen moved, Murray seconded, to adopt this resolution awarding the bid for drilling test wells to Cahoy pump service for $17,956. ALL AYED.
**Albert the Bull fence-** The Parks and Rec Board is requesting permission to have additional two-rail fence place at Albert the Bull park to prevent vehicles from driving into the ditch. Murray moved, Griffith seconded, to approve the installation of additional fencing. ALL AYED.
**Blight study-** Hocker moved, Jacobsen seconded, to table the decision on the study. ALL AYED.
 **Wemco pump-** Jacobsen moved, Griffith seconded, to require bids for this work. ALL AYED.

 **Mayor-** Notified the Council that she is going back to full time status and how to best reach her for issues. She will be swearing in the newly elected officials after tonight’s meeting.
**Council-** Murray- asked that the Council consider going to monthly billing before raising the water rates. Stated that Lisa Fredericksen discovered an error in the TIF certifications sent in by the City Clerk.

 Griffith- asked about the status of the gas station on Market street.

adjourn at 7:40 p.m. ALL AYED.

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 Barbara Jacobsen, Mayor

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Joseph Foran, City Clerk