

Council Proceedings
Special Council Meeting
October 11, 2016

A Special meeting of the Marshalltown City Council was convened on October 11, 2016, at 1:00 pm, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, according to posted notices. Mayor Lowrance called the meeting to order. ROLL CALL: Present – Gowdy, Greer, Hoop, Martin, Schubert, Wirin. Absent: Lamer.

The council received information from Deb Mathias, Senior Environment Engineer with Stanley Consultants, regarding the study of the city's storm water utility. The purpose of the utility rate study is to determine the best way to allocate costs of the utility to the users of the utility. The current rate is based on a tier system tied to the number of square feet of impervious surface. A measurement of all parcel's impervious surface area was completed in 2012. The council discussed an alternate assessment method, using "ERU" (equivalent residential unit) of 2800 sq. ft. per residential parcel. It was determined 2800 sq. ft. was the average size of impervious area for residential parcels in the City of Marshalltown based on the information collected in 2012. The council also discussed the necessity of the planned storm water projects. The council directed staff to draft a storm water utility rate ordinance based on equivalent residential units, for council consideration, and to explore reallocation of fees in the existing rate structure to meet the expense needs.

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk

CITY OF MARSHALLTOWN

James L. Lowrance, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shari L. Coughenour, City Clerk