

**City of Martensdale**  
**Regular City Council Minutes**  
March 8, 2010

The meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The city council met in regular session at the Martensdale City Hall, 380 Iowa Ave., Martensdale, IA at 7:00 p.m. on March 8, 2010. Mayor Morrow called the meeting to order.

On a roll call vote the following members were present: Karen Bunch, Scott Henson, Dan Webster and Ryan Baker.

Members absent: Doug Reynolds.

The Feb. 1, 2010 and Feb. 18, 2010 minutes and the consent agenda were approved on a motion by D. Webster and seconded by R. Baker. On a voice vote, Mayor Morrow declared the motion carried unanimously.

Roadside Inn Liquor License was presented to the city council for renewal. S. Henson made a motion to approve the liquor license, seconded by K. Bunch. On a voice vote, Mayor Morrow declared the motion carried unanimously.

The city clerk discussed the bond proceeding for the new fire truck and water tower repair. April 5, 2010 was set as the date for the resolution for the debt proceedings.

There was discussion regarding the closing of Regions Bank, which closed March 5, 2010. The city will receive the scanning machine for direct depositing checks this week.

The 2010-2011 city budgets were presented to the city council. S. Henson made a motion to approve the budget, seconded by R. Baker. On a roll call vote: Henson, Aye; Bunch, Aye; Webster, Aye; and Baker, Aye. Mayor Morrow declared the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Morrow discussed our current snow ordinance and the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks. He told the city council he thought we should set a fee for anyone who does not remove their snow from their sidewalks within a reasonable amount of time. There was discussion on how this is a safety hazard for children going to school so they don't have to walk in the street because the sidewalks are not cleaned. The city clerk will check with other cities to see what they are charging and talk to John Hoyman.

Mayor Morrow received a complaint from a resident about neighbor burning garbage. Kevin Middleswart from the Warren Co. Board of Supervisors was present and told the council to have residents contact the Warren Co. Sheriffs Office and they will in turn contact the Martensdale Fire Dept. who will take care of the situation.

Mayor Morrow congratulated Robert Walked of the M St. M Wrestling Team for taking 1st place and the girl's basketball team for going to State.

Kevin Middleswart was present to discuss grant writing for the City through the IJOBS program. He explained that Scott Orth from Indianola would be the contact person for assistance in grant writing. Warren Co. has a new city engineer; Mark Lee that can help with hiring a consultant, the City will have to pay for any engineering services. Mr. Middleswart said the first thing to do would be to have a brain storming session with the community to see what their needs are from the City to get a better idea of what kind of grant to write.

S. Henson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by K. Bunch. On a voice vote, Mayor Morrow declared the motion carried unanimously.

Scott Morrow, Mayor

Donna Bahun, City Clerk