

CITY OF PRIMGHAR  
SPECIAL SESSION – TOWN HALL MEETING  
COMMUNITY BUILDING  
July 29, 2010  
PUBLISHED MINUTES

The Primghar City Council met in special Town Hall session on Thursday, July 29, 2010 at the Primghar Community Building with Mayor James Thompson presiding. Council present: Kurt Edwards, Bob Schall, Glen Schueller, Brad Stevens, and Clara Black. Staff present: Reagan Ebel, Wendy Ewoldt, Denny Logan, Linda Nieman, Steve Raymond and Reitzell Wright. Approximately 65 citizens were in attendance.

Mayor Thompson began the meeting by introducing Justin Christensen from DeWild Grant Reckert & Assoc. Co. (DGR) of Rock Rapids, Iowa. Justin began with a brief history on the Streetscape project explaining that discussion began about seven years ago and there have been many ideas and options considered. He continued to enlighten the citizens on ways DGR is helping to locate funding opportunities. Steve Hallgren, with Northwest Iowa Planning and Development (NWIPDC) in Spencer, Iowa, was also in attendance. NWIPDC has been extremely helpful to us in our efforts towards growth, expansion, and urban revitalization, and now our Streetscape project. Both Justin and Steve answered a few concerns on the project.

Joni Irwin, on behalf of the Jaycees as well as a community member, expressed concerns over our swimming pool. The group consensus was that the City of Primghar does indeed need a swimming pool, and would like to see movement towards making that happen. Steve Hallgren expressed that since there are not many grant opportunities available for pool/aquatic centers, this needs to be a community wide effort. He, along with some in attendance, gave ideas like forming a steering committee, putting fundraising efforts together, and seeking donations.

Lastly, Mayor Thompson advised that City Hall will be including a memo/survey with the August utility bills to gather additional support and insight from those who were unable to attend. He then thanked the community for their input and adjourned the session at 8:25 PM.

ATTEST:

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Linda K. Nieman, Deputy Clerk

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James A. Thompson, Mayor