**North Liberty Town Council Minutes – March 16, 2016**

 The regularly scheduled meeting of the North Liberty Town Council was held at the North Liberty Community Building. Gerry Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. He led the Pledge of Allegiance and Matthew Peterson gave the Invocation.

 Will Groves, Jr., Joe Combes, and Thomas England Council Members, Town Marshal Michael Sawdon, and Vicki Kitchen Clerk-Treasurer were in attendance. There were fourteen citizens present and no representation from the press.

Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to approve the consent agenda including March 2, 2016 Minutes and November 2, 2015 Park Board Minutes and vouchers. Matthew Peterson seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

Gerry Peterson opened up the advertised public hearing on the Five Year Town Park Plan. Sara Hicks, DLZ, reviewed the community survey results for the public hearing. Several citizens spoke during the public hearing. Some of the comments expressed were leaving the bathrooms open, construction of a new band stand, ball diamond updates, more activities, and the new spray pad. Tom England made a motion to advance the Five Year North Liberty Park Plan. Will Groves, Jr. seconded the motion. All voted to approve. The public hearing was closed.

The tree removal quote for 200 Elm Street was received in the amount of $1,500.00 including clean up and stump removal. Matt Peterson made a motion to have Wildwood Tree Service remove the tree for $1,500.00. Joe Combes seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

Town Marshal Michael Sawdon presented an estimate for the cage for the 2015 /SUV from Cops Gear for $1,110.00. Will Groves made a motion to authorize the purchase of the police cage using the $500.00 cage donation received from a local business and $610.00 from the 2016 Police Budget. Tom England seconded the motion. All voted to approve except Joe Combes who abstained.

The problem properties were discussed. 135 N. Main Street was sent a letter regarding the broken window and the awning. Contractor was notified to remove Murray porch for his bid of $900.00. Liberty Motors demolition ad will be advertised on March 18th and March 25, 2016 for bids to be opened at April 6th Town Council meeting.

 Vicki Kitchen explained a need for additional accounting services for budget preparation and cash flow analysis for future budgets with the full effect of circuit breaker in 2017, Stellar, and accounting software, since the Town’s CompuTrain software was sold to another vendor. Eric Walsh and Ross Hagen were in attendance to answer any questions regarding the Umbaugh Accounting Contract. Tom England made a motion to approve the Umbaugh Accounting contract. Matt Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor none opposed.

With no further business before the North Liberty Town Council, Tom England made a motion to adjourn at 7:53 P.M. Matt Peterson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

 Vicki L. Kitchen, Clerk-Treasurer