

(The following is a synopsis of the minutes of the West Branch City Council meeting. The full text of the minutes is available for inspection at the City Clerk's office. The minutes are not approved until the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.)

**West Branch, Iowa
Council Chambers**

City Council Work Session

**September 3, 2013
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Mark Worrell opened the Work session at 6:03 p.m. by welcoming the following City staff: City Administrator Matt Muckler, Deputy City Clerk Dawn Brandt and Public Works Director Matt Goodale. Council members: Jordan Ellyson, Colton Miller, Jim Oaks, Dick Stoolman, and Mary Beth Stevenson.

Council Goal Setting Session

Muckler reviewed goals that were set by the Council last year. He recommended that eight of the thirteen goals from last year be removed because they have been completed or are ongoing projects. Muckler recommended a list of sixteen items from Council and staff suggestions to be included for consideration in this year's list of goals. Councilperson Miller added "Street Upkeep" to the list of goals for the Council to consider. Library Board of Trustees President Dan Stevenson spoke in favor of the bus barn discussion between Council and the School Board.

Council members set the following twelve goals (with the number of votes in parentheses): 1. Adopt a stormwater utility (9) 2. Bike racks downtown (4), 3. Bus Barn/Library discussion between Council and School Board (17), 4. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to include sidewalks (20), 5. Continue trail expansion (8), 6. Creek Clean-Up (litter clean-up, stream bank stabilization, brush removal, and native plantings, especially at Main Street Bridge. (10), 7. Electronic Council packets (IPads, Kindles, Nooks or notebook computers) (8), 8. Funding for HHTD inflatables and fireworks (10), 9. Park planning process (14), 10. Place cemetery information online (10), 11. Renew partnership with CEDCO (13), 12. Street upkeep (11).

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Stevenson to adjourn. Second by Ellyson. Motion passed by voice vote. City Council Work Session adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Mark Worrell, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Matt Muckler, City Administrator/Clerk