

(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

**October 9, 2012
6:30 p.m.**

Mayor Don Kessler opened the Work session at 6:33 p.m. by welcoming the following City staff: City Administrator Matt Muckler, Fire Chief Administrator Dick Stoolman, Park and Rec Director Melissa Russell and Public Works Director Matt Goodale.

Council members: Jordan Ellyson, Colton Miller and Dan O'Neil. Absent: Jim Oaks and Mark Worrell.

Council Goal Setting Session

Muckler reviewed goals that were set by the Council last year. He recommended that four of the twenty goals from last year be removed because they were accomplished. Muckler recommended that thirteen ongoing items and eight new items be included for consideration in next year's list of goals. Mayor Kessler added "Street Upkeep" to the list of goals for the Council to consider. Councilpersons Oaks and Worrell voted on their goals in advance. Their votes were posted and used as part of the vote count.

Council members set the following goals (with the number of votes in parentheses): 1. Make repairs to wastewater infrastructure identified in I & I Study (27), 2. Continue I&I work (21), 3. New lift station (12), 4. Develop comp plan and CIP plan (11), 5. Acquire automated water meter reading equipment (10), 5. Two pedestrian bridges across the Wapsi Creek - WB Village to Hoover Trail and Beranek Park to the proposed dog park (10), 5. Street Upkeep (10), 8. Plan for future community center site acquisition and/or purchase (9), 9. Creek clean up (8), 10. Work with School District to increase safety of children going to and from the elementary/middle school complex (7), 11. Adopt plan for Wapsi Creek Park based on recommendations from the Park & Rec Commission (6), 12. Work with Animal Control Commission and community organizations to construct a dog park (5), and 13. Update City's Zoning Map (3).

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by O'Neil to adjourn. Second by Miller. Motion passed by voice vote. City Council Work Session adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Don Kessler, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Matt Muckler, City Clerk