

## May 2010 - Mayor Report

### School District Meetings-

I was invited to attend a meeting by the ICCSD school board with other elected officials in the community to give input on hiring a new superintendent. I also attended one of the three superintendent finalists interview that the school board held.

Since serving on the Redistricting Committee for the ICCSD as the University Heights Representative, I am continuing to follow the input from all the communities. I attended the Iowa City city council work session last week. The IC council agreed to have Mayor Matt Hayek write a letter in support of one of the scenarios for redistricting.

I attended the last forum at Grant Wood School the following night. The purpose was to gather more public input about the two scenario recommendations by the committee.

Hopefully these meetings will help the school board make a decision soon.

Please contact me if you would like more details about any of these meetings.

**April 20<sup>th</sup>** - Steve Ballard and I attended a meeting with developer Jeff Maxwell, his attorney and his financial consultant for a discussion of Tax Increment Financing. Jeff Maxwell stated he wanted to get "his ducks in a row" before coming to the city with an application.

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Pat Yeggy and I met with Steve Kuhl to review and finalize amendments to the city budget ending June 30, 2010. Brennan McGrath sent his input, but was unable to attend. Steve Kuhl will be at the May council meeting.

**April 24<sup>th</sup>** - I sent an application to KCRG-TV9 Road Trip to come and feature the city's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Celebration Parade and Chautauqua on Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>.

**April 28<sup>th</sup>** - Emergency Management Meeting - I was out of town and Pat Yeggy attended as my alternate. Highlights: The Executive Director of JECC has resigned. Tom Jones is currently the Interim Director. There will be action to replace the position as soon as possible. Please contact me if you would like a copy of the Johnson County Severe Weather Risk Assessment and list of county events the last 10 years.

**May 1<sup>st</sup>** - The Second Annual Spring citywide clean-up day was held 8:30 am- 12 noon on Marietta. This city funded, volunteer run event was organized this year by Pat Yeggy. Pat organized the dumpsters with Johnson County Refuse and several recycling stations. Also collected were donations to the Food Bank. Volunteers were Linda Fincham, Larry Wilson, Ron Fort, Brennan McGrath, Mike Haverkamp and myself. Pat is requesting feedback to improve participation and possibly expanding services if the city wants to continue funding this event again next year.

**A BIG thank you to Pat Yeggy and the volunteers for a job well done!!!!**