

Mayor's Report February 2013

January 14th - Attended the Community Relations Committee Meeting. I told the committee I would look into the possibility of starting a Farmers Market in University Heights. If anyone has suggestions about a local farmers market please contact me.

January 23rd – Attended Urbanized Area Policy Board Meeting of MPO-JC- Highlights: A new chair was elected: Terrence Neuzil of the Board of Supervisors and John Lundell as vice chair, City of Coralville. The Severson Charity Challenge Traveling Trophy was awarded to University Heights. A BIG THANKS to all who donated items for our charity: **The Ronald McDonald House.** The Ronald McDonald House was the real winner! Carson Egglund was appreciative of all the donations I delivered on behalf of the city. I will bring the beautiful silver cup to the council meeting. At the meeting, the FY14 Budget and Financial forecast and assessments for communities were approved with University Heights at \$1,612.

January 23rd - Attended Emergency Management Meeting- Highlights: FY13-14 Budget discussions. Letters will be sent out to cities with annual hazmat fees noting the change to .50 cents per capita increase from July 2014-July 2024 then planned decrease to .40 cents per capita at that time.

January 29th - Attended Conference Board - made up of area mayors, school board members, Johnson county supervisors. Highlights: Discussion of the Johnson County Assessor's office for 2013-14. Bill Greazel is advertising also for volunteers to serve on the Assessor Review Board. Next board meeting will be Feb. 26th.

January 29th –Attended University Heights Zoning Commission meeting.

January 31st –Attended E911 Meeting- Highlights: Discussion of FY2013-2014 Budget and recommendations to be published. Next Board meeting will be Feb. 19th.

Iowa City Community School District Request to the City Council:

With my Mayor's Report, I have included an Attachment of a letter via email to the University Heights City Council, from School Board Member, Jeff McGinness and Dr. David Dude, FMPSC Co-Chairs. The email states in part: "The Iowa City Community School District is currently engaging its community in a facility master planning process. This process will be implemented with the assistance of BLDD Architects and will involve extensive community involvement. As part of this process, the District is forming a Facilities Master Planning Steering Committee (FMPSC)." In order to ensure representation from throughout the District, they are **requesting that the University Heights City Council select an elected official or city staff member to serve on the FMPSC.** See attachment for the meeting dates and charge of this steering committee. They also request a response by Wed. February 20th. I will ask the council to discuss at Tuesday's meeting who will be our representative.

As always, if more information is wanted please contact me.