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Round two of 'Project Sticker Shock' commences

Members of the Maquoketa Community High School LRP (Leadership and Resiliency Program) headed to area stores that sell liquor for the second round of "Project Sticker Shock." The purpose of the red STOP stickers is to remind adults that providing alcohol to anyone under age 21 is illegal. The LRP students affixed about 2,000 stickers to alcohol containers at area businesses including Fareway, Len's BP, the Hitching Post, Casey's, B&C Liquor and the Andrew Country Mart. Shown after affixing the stickers at the Hitching Post in Maquoketa are, from left, Michael Tschantz, Travis Walsh, Krista Culver, Paten Proesch, Hannah Pennin, Matt Yarolem and Kelsey Mortenso. Not shown is Justin Kruse. "Project Sticker Shock" was part of the LRP's service learning project experience. Anyone with ideas for service learning projects is asked to contact the Area Substance Abuse Council office at (563) 652-2215.

Council to proceed with paving project

By DOUGLAS MELVOLD

The Maquoketa City Council this week overrode concerns of its legal counsel and directed that a street project proceed.

The council on Monday night, Oct. 19, awarded a \$67,204 contract to River City Paving of Dubuque to reconstruct Washington Street between South Fifth and South Vermont streets.

The council also directed that the project begin this fall, weather permitting.

The council did so despite concerns expressed by city Attorney Mark Lawson about going ahead with the project without having hired an engineer to draw up bidding requirements.

The council voted 5-1 to proceed with the project without engineering services. Councilman Jason Hute cast the lone dissenting vote.

Hute then voted with the other five council members to award the contract to River City Paving.

Councilman Galen Saunders argued that hiring an engineer was unnecessary because the city isn't changing the design of the street.

"We're not changing the curb or the elevation or anything," Saunders noted.

He said hiring an engineer would add an unnecessary \$10,000 cost to the project and would delay its start until next spring.

The project involves removing the present pavement and base, laying a new six-inch base of rock and repaving the street with asphalt.

Public Works Director David Popp noted that the project doesn't involve any new features, such as changing the drainage or installing such features as storm sewers and storm drains.

In a memo, Lawson said he was "not comfort-

able" reviewing the contract, performance bond and other documents related to the project because they hadn't been drawn up by an engineer or an attorney.

The documents were drawn up by Popp.

"We should accept the bid on this and get this done this year," Saunders urged.

Councilman Neil Morehead said he wasn't opposed to starting the project this fall, but said he was concerned about calling the job a maintenance project instead of a repair project, which would require an engineer.

"If we get an opinion that we're on the edge, I think we want to be very, very careful of that so we don't get into any legal binds here," More-

head said.

Hute expressed concern about going against the concerns of the city's legal counsel. He said the \$10,000 the city would spend with an engineer would be better than having to pay fines or other costs if the project were mishandled.

"I hate to go against the guy who gives us legal advice," Hute said. "It's like slapping your own hand. If he doesn't think it's good, I'm not in full support of it, either."

Popp said he had discussed the project with an engineer from IIW Engineers & Surveyors of

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Proposed improvement on Iowa 136 to be discussed

The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) will hold a public information meeting in Oxford Junction Nov. 5 to discuss the proposed improvement on Iowa 136 from Lost Nation west 15.5 miles to the west junction of Iowa 64.

The public is invited to attend the meeting anytime between 4 and 6 p.m. at the Oxford Junction Senior Center, 115 E. Broadway.

This public information meeting will be conducted uti-

lizing an open forum format. No formal presentation will be made. Iowa DOT staff members will be present to discuss the project informally.

Iowa 64/136 will be closed to through traffic in Wyoming. Traffic would be detoured using Jones County roads E-45 and X-75.

For general information regarding the proposed improvement or the public meeting, contact Sam Shea, transportation planner, Iowa DOT, 8723

N.W. Blvd., P.O. Box 2646, Davenport, Iowa 52809, telephone (563) 391-4643 or 800-262-5143, e-mail sam.shea@dot.iowa.gov.

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