

ARNOLDS PARK, IA  
REGULAR SESSION  
JUNE 12, 2019

5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Adams, Christensen, Jensen, Richter, Watters. Mayor Hussong presided.  
ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeff Soole, Rick Heinrichs, John Hight, Lance Boone, Roger Ruble, Jeff Rose, Wayne Woodley, John Wills, Randy Rohlfson, Kara Rice, Sue Munsen, Ron Walker, Al Krueger.

Motion approving Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes, Claims, Clerks & Treasurer's reports Watters/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion approving liquor license renewals for The Boonedocks and Traynrek University. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion approving tobacco permits for Casey's, The Boonedocks, and The Tobacco Shop. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion approving Transient Merchant license for Charlie's Taco Truck. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

SEGWAY TOURS: Jeff Soole presented the Council with a packet including a copy of the Activity Release and Liability Waiver, photos, and a general overview. The Council questioned age limits and what sidewalks will be used. Soole advised that the tours will not take place on the smaller walkways including Broadway Street and that State Laws will be followed. Richter questioned if the trails board had approved the plan; Soole advised that he has received approval from Erin Reed with the Dickinson County Trails Board.

IOWA GREAT LAKES BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT: John Hight with Beck Engineering stated that the paving has been completed and that landscaping has begun on the promenade project. He advised that the DNR will do a bid letting in July for the seawall improvement.

PRAIRIE LANE TREE REMOVAL: Roger Ruble was present to request permission to remove a tree located on City property near 57 and 63 Prairie Lane. The Council discussed the age and location of the tree and it was the consensus of the Council not to allow the tree to be removed.

WATER QUALITY COMMISSION: John Wills updated the Council on the progress of the Water Quality Commission.

COMMERCIAL BUSINESS: Aaron Jones proposed a preliminary plan for a commercial development at 290 Hwy 71 to include a coffee shop, car/boat wash, and a laundromat. Jones is requesting access to Iowa Street as an exit of the property. Current ordinance requires abutting districts of conflicting use to have a physical barrier between them. Council discussed fencing the south side of the property, a gate to Iowa Street to close in the evening, and a conditional use permit stipulating that no sales of alcohol shall take place upon the property. The businesses suggested would be open mainly during the daytime hours. Motion to proceed as presented along with City input. Richter/Jensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

THE THROWING POST: The Throwing Post is considering an outdoor service area. Council reviewed the site plan and photos for the area. It is the general consensus of the Council that once the proper applications are filed with the State and put before the Council; outdoor service would be approved.

CITY STORM SEWER: John Hight of Beck Engineering represented the property owners of 298 Rohr Street asking for permission to connect to the City storm sewer to reduce water run-off towards their home. Motion to allow the property owners of 298 Rohr Street to connect to the City storm sewer pending a signed connection agreement. Watters/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

CITY STORM SEWER: Wayne Woodley of 484 Oak Street would like to replace the current 4” line with an 8” line connecting to the storm sewer. Council asked that Jeff Rose take a look at the property to see what can be done to alleviate the water backup.

EMERALD HILLS STORM SEWER DRAINAGE: Randy Rohlfen stated that the residents along Emerald Pines Drive have had continual drainage problems this spring. He requests that the City investigate the storm sewer drainage in that area. Consensus of the Council is to have Jeff Rose research possible solutions.

2019 STORM SEWER & PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – PRAIRIE LANE: Jeff Rose stated that the project is 92% complete. Motion to approve Pay Estimate No.2 in the amount of \$185.36 to Hulstein Excavating, Inc. for the 2019 Storm Sewer & Public Access Improvements project per the recommendation of Jacobson-Westergard & Associates, Inc. Watters/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

2019 PCC STREET IMPROVEMENTS: Jeff Rose stated the project is 100 % complete with the exception of seeding. Motion to approve Pay Estimate No.2 in the amount of \$1,950.83 to Hulstein Excavating, Inc. for the 2019 PCC Street Improvement Project per the recommendation of Jacobson-Westergard & Associates, Inc. Adams/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

IT SERVICES: The Council was presented with four options for IT service providers. Council referred to City Department heads Kara Rice, Al Krueger, and Linda Nase for their preferences. Motion to use Solutions as the City IT provider. Watters/Richter. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**WILDCAT STADIUM UPDATE:** Adams updated the Council on the Wildcat Stadium's budget. He advised that 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls tournaments are being held on the diamond. He stated that the ball park has also been scheduled for use for two private events. Looking forward there are hopes for a batting cage, a source to water the field, and some playground equipment. Adams reported that they will be applying for grants next year from the Minnesota Twins and the Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative. There are also some fund raising plans through the Arnolds Park Alumni dinner and T-shirt sales.

**PARK BOARD UPDATE:** Christensen gave an update from the Park Board meeting. He stated that Amy Pas visited with the board about a possible dog park under the water tower. The board is in the process of reviewing the boat slip layout at Sawmill Park. The estimates for Pickleball courts came in higher than anticipated, the Park Board suggested painting the basketball court and seeing how often it is used for Pickleball before proceeding. Richter stated that he has spoken with Imagine Iowa Great Lakes about signage for the City parks. Playground equipment for Abbie Gardner was also discussed.

**CENTRAL PARK NORTH ACCESS:** Council discussed that the City owns the alley circling the north and east sides of Central Park. Closing the gate was discussed to eliminate vehicle travel in the park. Sue Munsen stated that this will cause the traffic to turn around in her back yard. Consensus of the Council to place No Outlet signs at the entrance of the alley.

**FYR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019:** Motion approving City offices be closed on June 27, 28, & 29 for fiscal year end. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**MISCELLANEOUS NON-ACTION ITEMS:** Lance Boone requested that the Council look into the health risks associated with the 5G towers that Verizon installed near his home. Council will reach out to Verizon for clarification. The Verizon towers on Broadway and adjacent to the City beach are also missing lights. Kara Rice inquired about what is needed to add handicap parking closer to the library entrance. Discussion took place regarding planting more trees near playground at Central Park, and that the basketball court at the park is used daily. The stoplight at 202<sup>nd</sup> Street and Hwy 71 is in need of painting. Nase reported that GEO is doing a free tree inventory within the City limits and will supply the City with a management plan. Walker informed that Council that the Milford water department may be shutting down in two weeks as they are losing their current staff and have yet to fill the position.

Motion to adjourn: Adams/Richter. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.  
Mayor Hussong declared the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Jim Hussong, Mayor

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Linda Nase, City Clerk