

ARNOLDS PARK, IA  
REGULAR SESSION  
MAY 8, 2019

5:30 P.M.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Garrett Richardson, Jacob Gjerde, Emmaline Hughes, Jeff Rose, Rick Heinrichs, Nancy Lynn Maris, Haley Mandelkow, Lexi Boon, Jeff Vierkant, Jordyn Tepfer, Rayna Petievich, Mona Sweeney, Steve Sweeney, Jacob Poncelet, Carter Tifft, Aiden Bauermeister, Blake Johnson, Keegan Wagner, Sophie Hinn, Emily Werner, Casandra Struthers, Nate Cornwall, Drew Hickerson, Ande Quiring, Ally Montgomery, Kip Hurd, Spencer Newman, Ben Newman, Chris Yungbluth, Al Krueger, Debbie Kassel, Craig Kassel, Jen Munsen.

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

Motion approving liquor license renewals for Bob's in Arnolds Park and Casey's. Jensen/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion approving outdoor liquor licenses for the Pavilion/Roof Garden (Lake Street Farmer's Market) and the Iowa Great Lakes Maritime Museum pending final paperwork. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

McCreary's Creative Catering has applied for a transient merchant permit at two locations. The first location is on the Bible Conference grounds, and the second location is the public parking lot east of Boji Nites. Motion approving a one day Transient Merchant License for McCreary's Creative Catering on June 9, 2019 on the Bible Conference grounds; and, deny the six month permit on public parking. Jensen/Watters. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion approving Transient Merchant licenses for Okobojinize, Dorn Produce, Koester's Kitchen, Lake Street Farmer's Market, and Beach Street Boutique, as well as, Waffle Chicks pending final paperwork. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

IOWA GREAT LAKES BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT: Richter said the Promenade is coming along slowly. Landscaping material is arriving sometime in the next week.

LAKE STREET: The Street Committee met with Brad Beck, Imagine Iowa Great Lakes, and representatives of Historic Arnolds Park, Inc. about the Lake Street Project. It was decided by Historic Arnolds Park, Inc. that the Lake Street project will be put on hold temporarily.

HISTORIC ARNOLDS PARK, INC: Jeff Vierkant, CEO of Historic Arnolds Park, Inc., was in attendance to update the Council on additional parking. Vierkant said they have gotten the necessary approvals from the Iowa National Heritage Foundation to proceed with the new parking area. Sixty new spots will be added in the lot directly east of the Maritime Museum, as well as, 37 along West Broadway for a total of 97 additional parking spaces. They have reduced four permitted spots to the north to make room for loading/drop off locations and handicap

assessable spots. The total cost of the parking is estimated at \$763,228, Vierkant asked the Council to consider helping fund the cost of the project at .25 cents on the dollar. Historic Arnolds Park, Inc. is hoping to be done with the surface lot by the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**PUBLIC ACCESS AT 110 MONUMENT DRIVE:** The City owns the public access at 110 Monument Drive; Historic Arnolds Park, Inc. is next on the waiting list. Since they are a commercial entity they need Council approval. Motion approving Historic Arnolds Park, Inc. use of the City's public access at 110 Monument Drive. Christensen/Jensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINE & EQUIPMENT EASMENT AT 74 BASCOM:** Mayor Hussong opened the Public Hearing at 5:47 p.m. No comments written or verbal were received. Mayor Hussong closed the Public Hearing at 5:48 p.m. **RESOLUTION NO. 12-19** AUTHORIZING A PERPETUAL EASEMENT TO INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY. Introduced by Watters. Seconded by Christensen. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Watters, Christensen, Adams, Jensen, Richter. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion to waive 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings: Watters/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**CITY HALL EXPANSION – REZONING OF PROPERTY:** Mayor Hussong opened the Public Hearing at 5:49 p.m. No verbal comments were received. One email from the property owner at 82 Hinshaw Street was received asking what her property was zoned and if the City has any long term plans/goals to purchase her property. Mayor Hussong said as of now there are no plans for that property. Mayor Hussong closed the Public Hearing at 5:50 p.m. **ORDINANCE NO. 19-07** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE 09-02 OF THE CITY OF ARNOLDS PARK, IA AND THE CITY'S OFFICIAL ZONING MAP BY AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF EXISTING (R-2) MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO (C-2) GENERAL COMMERCIAL (MIXED USE) DISTRICT. Introduced by Richter. Seconded by Adams. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Richter, Adams, Christensen, Jensen, Watters. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion to waive 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings: Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**ARNOLDS PARK/OKOBOJI FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Chris Yungbluth presented the Arnolds Park Okoboji Fire Department's annual report. Yungbluth stated they worked 318 of 365 days last year. Membership is down to 29 members; and, they are actively recruiting new members. They are currently fundraising and applying for grants for the purchase of air packs and masks.

**HINSHAW STREET:** No representative was in attendance.

**STREET CLOSURES:** Motion approving the closure of Lake Street for the Lake Street Farmer's Market to be held on Saturdays beginning May 25, 2019 and running through September 8, 2019, Willys Overland Knight Registry – Upper Mississippi Valley Chapter Car Show on August 18, 2019, and Iowa Rock N Roll Music Association Car Show on Thursdays from June 13, 2019 through August 29, 2019. Adams/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

CITY STORM SEWER: The property owners of 325 Lakeshore Drive have asked for permission to connect to the City storm sewer to alleviate water run-off towards their house. Motion to allow the property owners of 325 Lakeshore Drive to connect to the City storm sewer pending a signed connection agreement. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

MINNEWASHTA BEACH ROAD: Jeff Rose stated that the shallow two inch water main on Minnewashta Beach Road broke this early spring. Consensus of the Council to replace the current 2” line with a 6” line, have Jeff Rose move forward with the bidding process, and present at the July meeting.

PUBLIC ACCESS ON 232<sup>ND</sup> AVE: Consensus of the Council to have Jeff Rose move forward with the bidding process and present at the July meeting.

2019 STORM SEWER & PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – PRAIRIE LANE: Rose said the project is complete with the exception of grading and seeding the Public access from Prairie Lane to the lake. Rose will contact the contractor to ensure that a landscaper is being used for the grading and seeding. Motion approving Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$111,244.95 to Hulstein Excavating for the 2019 Storm Sewer & Public Access Improvements project per the recommendation of Jacobson – Westergard & Associates, Inc. Watters/Jensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

2019 PCC STREET IMPROVEMENTS: Rose stated the project is 100 percent complete with the exception of clean up on Benit Drive and Dam Road. Linden Drive is scheduled to open Thursday, May 9. Motion approving Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$88,891.12 to Hulstein Excavating for the 2019 PCC Street Repair Improvements project per the recommendation of Jacobson – Westergard & Associates, Inc. Christensen/Watters. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

ORR’S CAMPGROUND: Orr’s Campground has petitioned the county to increase the number of campsites at the campground. Motion to provide water service to the 6-8 additional campsites that may be developed at Orr’s Campground. Adams/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None. The City will send a letter to the County Board of Adjustment with their decision.

PURCHASE OF A NEW MOWER FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT: Rick Heinrichs presented the Council with options for a new lawn mower. Heinrichs stated that the current mower is ten years old and needs to be replaced. Motion to approve the purchase of a Ferris 3200 Z mower from Jaycox Implement at a cost of \$10,399; this includes the trade in of the current mower. Richter/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

BUDGET TRANSFERS FY2018 – 2019: **RESOLUTION NO. 13-19** APPROVING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR FY2018 – 2019. Introduced by Watters. Seconded by Richter. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Watters, Richter, Adams, Christensen, Jensen. Nays: None. Absent: None.

BUDGET AMENDMENT FY2018 – 2019: Motion setting a Public Hearing for a budget amendment for FY2018 – 2019 on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 11 a.m. Jensen/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

PARK BOARD UPDATE: Christensen gave an update from the Park Board meeting. The boat slips at Sawmill Park are not all the same size and some slips are unusable. The Board is looking into making all of the slips the same size. Christensen stated that while a few spots might be lost, making the slips uniform will benefit the renters and the City. Christensen said the Board is also looking into installing Pickle ball courts, at Sawmill Park.

WILDCAT STADIUM UPDATE: Adams updated the Council on the Wildcat Stadium's progress. Opening night is scheduled for Friday, May 17. The City has received the \$15,000 grant check from the Minnesota Twins Community Fund. The grant money will be used towards the dugouts and new fencing. The total cost of the project is between \$35,000 - \$50,000. Adams said the ball diamond is scheduled to be used five nights a week, and Saturday tournaments are lined up throughout the summer.

LIBRARY: Kara Rice updated the Council on the Summer Reading Program, it will run from June 5 – July 31 and the theme is "A Universe of Stories".

MISCELLANEOUS NON-ACTION ITEMS: Linda Nase updated the Council; the Personnel Committee hired a new Deputy City Clerk, Jen Munsen. Paul Windeshausen will be submitting a bill for cleanup of a sewer back up at 141 Lakeshore Drive. Steve Hallgren with Northwest Iowa Planning has accepted a position with the City of Spencer; Darren Baumgarner and Ted Kourousis will be taking over for him until someone is hired full time. Richter and Council thanked Deputy City Clerk, Jenna Thunhorst for her 4 years of service with the City and wished her well in her future endeavors.

Motion to adjourn: Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.  
Mayor Hussong declared the meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

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Jim Hussong, Mayor

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Linda Nase, City Clerk