

ARNOLDS PARK, IA
REGULAR SESSION
December 9, 2020

5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Watters, Adams. Mayor Pro-tem Richter presided.

COUNCIL ABSENT: Christensen, Jensen.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeff Rose, George Bower, Steve Schwaller, Bob Kirschbaum, Andrew Fisher, Alan Kreuger, Andrew Gross, Carlo Nordblad, Chris Yungbluth, Rick Heinrichs, Ron Walker.

Motion approving Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes, Claims, Clerk's & Treasurer's reports. Adams/Watters. Ayes: Three. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen, Jensen.

UPPER DES MOINES OPPORTUNITY, INC.: Jamey Whitney, representing Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc. submitted a letter to the Council requesting \$500 in funding for FY2021-2022.

BEDELL FAMILY YMCA: Andrew Fisher spoke on behalf of the Bedell Family YMCA requesting \$2,500 in funding for FY2021-2022.

Councilmember Jensen joined the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

PEARSON LAKES ART CENTER: Bob Kirschbaum spoke on behalf of Pearson Lakes Art Center requesting \$4,000 in funding for FY2021-2022.

IOWA LAKES CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION: Kiley Miller, representing the Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation, submitted a letter to the Council requesting \$4,530 in funding for FY2021-2022.

Mayor Hussong joined the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.: **RESOLUTION NO. 33-20** APPROVING AN ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH AHLERS AND COONEY, P.C. ATTORNEYS FOR THE CITY OF ARNOLDS PARK URBAN RENEWAL/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE URBAN RENEWAL AREA #2 PELICAN RIDGE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN. Introduced by Richter. Seconded by Adams. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Jensen, Watters, Adams, Richter. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

WATER RATES: Central Water Systems is increasing the rate charged to the City by .50 per 1,000 gallons effective July 1, 2021. Council proposed increasing the minimum charged to residents by \$13 per quarter. Motion setting a Public Hearing for January 13, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss an increase in customer water rates. Richter/Jensen. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS: Consensus of the Council is to have Jeff Rose of Jacobson-Westergard & Associates, Inc. move forward with preparing a bid package for the watermain improvements along Okoboji Grove Road and Circle Drive, north to Lot A Drive, north to Miriam Lane, east towards Sunrise Road along Lot A Drive and Miriam Lane, north to Prairie Lane to connect to the existing main.

SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS: Consensus of the Council is to have Jeff Rose of Jacobson-Westergard & Associates, Inc. move forward with preparing a bid package for the sanitary sewer improvements along Okoboji Grove Road and Circle Drive, north to Lot A Drive, north to Miriam Lane, east towards Sunrise Road along Lot A Drive and Miriam Lane.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS: Motion to move forward with the Linden Drive and 265 Helms Drive curb and driveway repairs. Adams/Watters. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

2020 PICKLEBALL COURTS AND PARKING LOT: Council discussed the slope of grade on the south side of the pickleball court being steeper than anticipated and the options of adding a retaining wall or moving the sidewalk. Motion to move the sidewalk to alleviate the need for a retaining wall. Richter/Watters. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen. Council reviewed pay estimate No. 3 for Diamond Concrete, Rose indicated that the project is 85% complete. Motion to approve pay estimate No. 3 for Diamond Concrete in the amount of \$28,061.25. Richter/Watters. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

2020 STREET IMPROVEMENTS PRAIRIE LANE HMA RESURFACING AND FULL DEPTH HMA: Council discussed moving forward with the Prairie Lane resurfacing project that was put on hold last spring. Motion to have Rose revise the plan due to water main and sanitary sewer improvements being done in the area and bring it back to the Council at the January 2021 Council Meeting for approval. Jensen/Watters. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

2019 STORM SEWER AND PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – 232ND AVENUE: Motion to move forward with the spring construction of the 2019 Storm Sewer and Public Access Improvements – 232nd Avenue, awarded in August 2019 to ABC Services. Watters/Adams. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

LAKEVIEW BOULEVARD PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY – PHASE 3: Motion to move forward with Phase 3 of the Lakeview Boulevard Pedestrian Walkway project. Watters/Richter. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

HIGHWAY 71 AND 202ND STREET GRIDSMART DETECTION SYSTEM: Motion to approve the purchase and installation of a Gridsmart Video Detection System on the stoplight at Highway 71 and 202nd Street; cost sharing with Milford, West Okoboji, and Dickinson County. Adams/Richter. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

NO PARKING ZONE – MONUMENT DRIVE AND DAM ROAD EXTENSION: Police Chief Krueger stated that there are concerns about overnight and long-term parking on Monument Drive. Krueger indicated that are vehicles that are routinely left on the street. Council advised the issuance of parking tickets rather than making the street no parking. Council discussed changing Dam Road Extension to no parking between West Broadway Street and Minnewashta Beach Road along the hotel side of the street due to the number of cars parking overnight around the curb. Council considered no parking for set hours versus a permanent no parking zone. Andrew Gross, representing The Inn and Beach Club Lounge, indicated that making the area no parking would be disadvantageous to The Inn and Beach Club Lounge, as they have a shortage of parking area. It was discussed that City Streets do not count toward the parking for private businesses and that businesses must supply their own parking. Consensus of the Council is to table Dam Road Extension parking until the January 2021 meeting.

EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS BONUSES: Motion to approve a check in the gross amount of \$400, less taxes, and a day off with pay to all full-time employees. Part-time employees will receive a check in the gross amount of \$400, less taxes. Watters/Richter. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

EARLY OFFICE CLOSURE CHRISTMAS EVE: Motion to approve closing City Hall at 12:00 p.m. on December 24, 2020. Richter/Watters. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen.

MISCELLANEOUS NON-ACTION ITEMS: Mark Cory with Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. will be retiring at the end of the month. The City received the renewal rates for Vision and Dental insurance, the rates have stayed the same as last year.

Motion to adjourn: Jensen/Richter. Ayes: Four. Nays: None. Absent: Christensen. Mayor Hussong declared the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Jim Hussong, Mayor

Linda Nase, City Clerk