

ARNOLDS PARK, IA  
REGULAR SESSION  
JULY 12, 2023

5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Christensen, Richter, Adams, Jensen, Watters. Mayor Hussong presided.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeff Rose, Tom Clary, Marian McNabb, John Fideler, Ron Pratt, Dakin Schultz, Darwin Bishop, Alan Krueger, Steve Schwaller, DK Depew, George Bower, Brenda Reeder, Steve Lyman, Greg and Sheila Miksick, Di Lorenzen, Linda Jackson, Brad and Sherri Roberson, Eric Anderson, Sue and Paul Halpine, Ron Walker, Kara Rice.

Motion to amend the Agenda to include a Street Closure for Lake Street. Adams/Watters. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

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

Motion approving a Liquor License renewal for The Boonedocks and approving a new Liquor License for The Rotary Club pending dram insurance. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

IDOT HWY 71 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT: Dakin Schultz and Darwin Bishop discussed stage two of the Fall 2023 reconstruction of Highway 71. With the warm temperatures, the contractor has requested to pave in longer stretches. Consensus of the Council is to approve the changes to the fall construction schedule to begin on September 5, 2023 allowing for larger sections of highway to be removed and poured; keeping accesses to businesses as open and marked as possible.

IOWA BLUE STAR COUNTIES: Marian McNabb proposed that Arnolds Park become a Blue Star City; she explained that if each town in a County becomes a blue star, the entire County can be recognized. Consensus of the Council is to proceed with the necessary steps to make the City of Arnolds Park a Blue Star City.

DAM ROAD DEVELOPMENT: Tom Clary and Ron Pratt approached the Council with concerns of a proposed development south of Dam Road. The property in question is located in the County and according to the preliminary plans; a road would access Dam Road causing a significant increase in traffic. Council thanked Pratt and Clary for the information. Council will review and discuss any development plans if and when the project is submitted to the City by the owner.

20630 232<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE: John Fideler requested to direct water from his property into the drain on the City Access next to his home. Motion to allow the property owner of 20630 232<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to direct water from his property into the concrete drainage tile on the neighboring public access pending a signed agreement. Richter/Watters. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**SANITARY SEWER AND WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS – BROWN’S COTTAGES:**

Rose submitted a preliminary cost estimate for the Sanitary Sewer & Water Main Improvements - Brown’s Cottage Area project. Several of the residents from that area were present with questions on the project. Motion to have Rose revise the plans to include water and sewer on Sunrise Road and move forward with the project. Adams/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**LAKE STREET:** The University of Okoboji Corvette Club has requested closure of Lake Street on July 29, 2023 and July 17, 2023. Motion to allow Lake Street to be closed Saturday July 29, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for the University of Okoboji Corvette Club Car Show and July 17, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a funeral. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None. The City received an invoice from Steffes Companies for bollard replacement items on Lake Street. Discussion regarding the fact that the City has not accepted Lake Street. Motion to approve payment of half of the hardware, bollard replacement parts, and shipping to Steffes Companies. Watters/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**2022-2023 STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENTS ALLEN AVENUE:** Eric Anderson of Valley Contracting, Inc. was present to discuss the missed deadline for the Allen Avenue project. Councilman Christensen requested a timeline of events as the project was to have been completed by Memorial Day. Christensen voiced his frustration at the lack of communication and that businesses in the area were affected by the construction going past the deadline; he expressed that he would not like to hire Valley Contracting Inc. going forward. Walker advised that the City has worked with Valley Contracting Inc. on many projects in the past and has always had a good working relationship with them. Motion to approve Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$64,486.47 to Valley Contracting Inc. for the 2022-2023 Storm Sewer Improvements Allen Avenue project per the recommendation of Jacobson-Westergard & Associates Inc. Richter/Watters. Ayes: Four. Nays: Christensen. Absent: None.

**2023 WEST BROADWAY PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS:** Blacktop Service Company has offered to install a drainage flume at no charge to correct a drainage issue at the West Broadway parking lot in exchange for accepting the valve pockets as is. The Council discussed having the contractor fix the valve pockets correctly and the City replace the drainage flume. Motion to have Rose contact Blacktop Service Company about the valve pockets and to get pricing on a drainage flume. Jensen/Richter. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**STREET COMMITTEE:** Council reviewed the proposed improvement projects submitted by the Street Committee. Motion to have Rose move forward with the plans for several Street Improvement Projects as submitted. Adams/Watters. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

CENTRAL WATER SYSTEMS: The Central Water Board has submitted a proposed change to the 28E Agreement held with the Cities of Arnolds Park and Okoboji. Consensus of the Council is to allow Central Water Systems to revise the current 28E Agreement to include the verbiage that any single maintenance procedure is limited to a maximum cost of \$40,000.00; any improvement costing more than \$40,000.00 shall be considered a Capital Improvement.

MISCELLANEOUS NON-ACTION ITEMS: The Council scheduled a Special Council Meeting Wednesday July 19, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Mayor Hussong declared the meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

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Jim Hussong, Mayor

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Linda Nase, City Clerk