

STORY CITY, IOWA

February 6, 2017

Mayor Jensen called the regular council meeting to order on Monday, February 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Jensen, Administrator Jackson, Attorney Larson, Council Members: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Scott Williams (Fox Engineering), Mark Crawford(CGA), Bruce Henrichs(Street Supt.), Randy Martindale(Water/Wastewater Supt.), John Moran(Parks/Rec Supt.), and Ronna Lawless(Ames Tribune)

Motion by Triggs, seconded by Ostrem , to approve the agenda.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Sporleder, to approve the January 23, 2017 regular meeting minutes.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

CITIZEN APPEARANCE

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

A) PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE 2016/17 STORM AND SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Mayor Jensen opened the public hearing with no public comment Mayor Jensen closed the public hearing.

LEGAL ITEMS

A) RESOLUTION NO. 17-8-PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILL COUNCIL VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT

Administrator Jackson stated with Becky Watson's resignation from council the city will need to either appoint or call for a special election. The resolution indicates council's intent to appoint someone to the seat. Administrator Jackson outlined the legal requirements and process for appointment. The individual appointed would run, if they so choose, for the seat at the November election to fulfill the remaining two years of CM Watson's term. The city would accept applications of those wishing to be appointed to the seat by March 1st and the council would make an appointment at the March 6th meeting.

B) RESOLUTION NO. 17-9-APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN STORY CITY AND STORY COUNTY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 28E OF THE IOWA CODE, FOR COMBINED LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS

Administrator Jackson informed council the annual agreement increased by 1.7% or \$308.79. Total cost will be \$19,728.25.

Motion by Triggs, seconded by Phillips, to approve Resolution No. 17-9- Approving an Agreement Between Story City and Story County, Pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Iowa Code, for Combined Law Enforcement Operations.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

C) RESOLUTION NO. 17-10-APPROVING RELEASE OF MORTGAGE LIEN AND AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAME-DONALD CARLSON 625 PARK

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Sporleder, to approve Resolution No. 17-10-Approving Release of Mortgage Lien and Authorizing Mayor and City Clerk to Execute Same-Donald Carlson 626 Park.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

D) RESOLUTION NO. 17-11-FINALLY APPROVING AND CONFIRMING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE 2016-17 STORM AND SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Administrator Jackson stated this project includes the replacement of storm and sanitary sewer mains in the alley south of Broad Street from Grand to Elm.

Motion by Triggs, seconded by Ostrem, to approve Resolution No. 17-11-Finally Approving and Confirming Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimate of Cost for the 2016-17 Storm and Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

E) RESOLUTION NO. 17-12-AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE 2016/17 STORM AND SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Scott Williams (Fox Engineering), informed council the city received four bids on February 1, 2017. Mr. Williams stated the project is to start the end of spring and be completed by September. The bids are as follows:

Bob McKiness Excavating & Grading, Inc. \$436,047

Crow River Construction LLC \$477,175

Rognes Corp. \$597,921

J & K Contracting, LLC \$598,921

Motion by Triggs, seconded by Phillips, to approve Resolution No. 17-12-Awarding Contract for the 2016/17 Storm and Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project to McKiness Excavating & Grading out of Mason City, Iowa, in the amount of \$436,047.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

F) RESOLUTION NO. 17-13-APPROVING A LOAN AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF \$35,000 FOR ACQUISITION OF STREET EQUIPMENT

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Ostrem, to approve Resolution No. 17-13-Approving a Loan Agreement and Authorizing Issuance of a \$35,000 For Acquisition of Street Equipment.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

G) RESOLUTION NO. 17-14-TO FIX A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON A LOAN AGREEMENT IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000 FOR ACQUISITION OF STREET EQUIPMENT

Administrator Jackson stated this sets the public hearing for February 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers of city hall for entering into a loan agreement in the amount of \$35,000 for the purpose of acquiring equipment for the street department.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Triggs, to approve Resolution No. 17-14-To Fix a Date for a Public Hearing on a Loan Agreement in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$35,000 for Acquisition of Street Equipment.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A) REVIEW PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 BUDGET

Administrator Jackson reviewed with council the proposed 2017-18 budget.

Highlights include:

>The tax levy rate is proposed to increase by five cents from \$10.39 to \$10.44

>General Fund is proposed to increase by approximately 6%. The primary reason for the significant increase is that in 2016 the swimming pool was closed which resulted in a cost saving and the new pool opening in 2017 will have a projected increase in operational costs.

>The Road Use Fund budget is proposed to increase by \$5,000.

>Capital Projects- Currently under construction is the new swimming pool at an estimated cost of under \$2.7 million that is scheduled to open Memorial Day 2017. The first phase in the redevelopment and refurbishment of the North Park is scheduled to take place in 2017. The project includes the Tennis Courts, Carousel, and Bandstand areas with a connecting Trail. The reconstruction of Broad Street from Garfield to the railroad tracks and from Grand Avenue to the pool parking lot entrance will be completed in 2017 at an estimated cost of \$1.2 million. The replacement of the storm and sanitary sewer mains in the alley south of Broad Street from Grand to Elm will be completed in 2017 with an estimated cost of \$450,000. The extension of Holm Avenue will also be completed in 2017 with an estimated cost of \$605,750 with a RISE grant of up to \$321,255.

>Allocation of Hotel/Motel tax dollars was discussed. It was noted that funds may decrease in future years with the number of hotels currently under construction in Ames.

>Parks & Recreation Supt. Moran reviewed maintenance costs for buildings and structures, tree removal for Parks and insurance. Pool staff increase, wages, and supplies. Recreation programs and training in all departments. Street Supt. Henrichs reviewed streets to be seal coated, curb and gutter replacement, and replacement of equipment. Randy Martindale Water & Wastewater Supt. reviewed insurance, travel and training, water meter replacements, certifications, and maintaining water and waste water plants.

B) REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE DERRICK JANSSEN FOR WATER & WASTEWATER OPERATOR POSITION

Presented to Mayor and City Council a request to hire Derrick Janssen for the Water and Wastewater operator position.

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Phillips, to approve Request Authorization to Hire Derrick Janssen for Water & Wastewater Operator Position as recommended.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

C) HOLM AVENUE EXTENSION PROJECT:

1. Construction Pay Estimate No. 2

Motion by Triggs, seconded by Sporleder, to approve Holm Avenue Extension Project, Pay Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$79,851.30 and

2. Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$2,424.00.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

D) APPROVE CONSTRUCTION PAY APPLICATION NO. 10 FOR THE SWIMMING POOL PROJECT

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Sporleder, to Approve Construction Pay Application No. 10 for the Swimming Pool Project in the amount of \$161,588.59.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

E) APPROVE UNDERWRITING ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH D.A. DAVIDSON

Administrator Jackson informed council D.A. Davidson, Des Moines, Iowa is the city's underwriter for the bonds that the city will be issuing this spring for the projects that were reviewed and discussed at the last meeting.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Sporleder, to Approve Underwriting Engagement Letter with D.A. Davidson.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

PERMITS

MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

A) REQUEST TO SERVE ALCOHOL AT FAIRVIEW LODGE

B) TAX ABATEMENT:

1. Perry and Mary Frey-333 Elm

2. Bryce Holdredge-930 Elm

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Phillips, to approve **Mayor and City Council Agenda Items: A and B.**

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Triggs, to approve payment of bills and claims for January.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Triggs, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

There being no further business before council the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

Dena Nichols, City Clerk

Mike Jensen, Mayor