

STORY CITY, IOWA

March 15, 2021

Mayor Jensen called the council meeting to order on Monday, March 15, 2021, at 7:00 pm in City Hall.

Present: Mayor Jensen, Administrator Jackson, Attorney Larson  
Council Members: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder  
Absent: None

Also Present: Jeff Loots, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Joe Lucas, Story City Parks and Recreation Superintendent; Dave Loupee

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by O'Connor, to approve the agenda.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Solberg, to approve the March 1, 2021 regular meeting minutes.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

## **CITIZEN APPEARANCE**

N/A

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A) Proposed Resolution of Necessity for the Broad Street Reconstruction Phase II Project  
Mayor Jensen opened the public hearing. Jeff Loots asked questions about the special assessment on the property and the sidewalk as it pertains to drainage from the property of the Immanuel Lutheran Church.  
With no further public comment, Mayor Jensen closed the public hearing.
- B) Proposed Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget  
Dave Loupee requested that the council consider reducing the tax levy to \$9.90 by delaying equipment purchases and projects.  
With no further public comment, Mayor Jensen closed the public hearing.

## **LEGAL ITEMS**

- A) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-25 – ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 BUDGET**

Administrator Jackson presented information about the Budget.  
Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Solberg, to approve Resolution No. 21-25 –  
Adopting the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 Budget  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

B) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-26 – AMENDING PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR THE BROAD STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT – PHASE II**

Administrator Jackson presented information regarding the amended resolution eliminating the assessment at 527 Grand Ave due to prior assessment.  
Motion by Solberg, seconded by Phillips, to approve Resolution No. 21-26 – Amending Proposed Resolution of Necessity for the Broad Street Reconstruction Project – Phase II  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

C) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-27 – ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR THE BROAD STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT – PHASE II**

Motion by Phillips, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Resolution No. 21-27 – Adoption of the Resolution of Necessity for the Broad Street Reconstruction Project – Phase II  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

D) **BROAD STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE II – DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO FILE CERTIFIED COPIES OF THE RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY AND PRELIMINARY PLAT AND SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER OF STORY COUNTY**

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Ostrem, to approve Broad Street Reconstruction Project Phase II – Directing the City Clerk to File Certified Copies of the Resolution of Necessity and Preliminary Plat and Schedule of Assessments with the County Treasurer of Story County  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

E) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-28 – ORDERING PREPARATION OF DETAILED PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE BROAD STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT – PHASE II**

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Resolution No. 21-28 – Ordering Preparation of Detailed Plans and Specifications for the Broad Street Reconstruction Project – Phase II

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion: Carried

F) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-29 – TO PROVIDE FOR A NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE BROAD STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT – PHASE II, AND THE TAKING OF BIDS THEREOF**

Motion by O’Connor, seconded by Phillips, to approve Resolution No. 21-29 – To Provide for a Notice of Hearing on Proposed Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimate of Cost for the Broad Street Reconstruction Project – Phase II, and the Taking of Bids Thereof. Public Hearing to be set for the April 5<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting at 7:00 in City Hall.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion: Carried

G) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-30 – TO PROVIDE FOR NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE NORTH PARK PHASE 3 IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AND THE TAKING OF BIDS THEREOF**

Motion by Phillips, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Resolution No. 21-30 – To Provide for Notice of Hearing on Proposed Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost for the North Park Phase 3

Improvements Project, and the Taking of Bids Thereof. Public Hearing to be set for the April 19<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting at 7:00 in City Hall.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion: Carried

H) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-31 – SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21**

**BUDGET**

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Sporleder, to approve Resolution No. 21-31 – Setting a Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget. Public Hearing will be set for April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in City Hall  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

I) **ORDINANCE NO. 310 – AMENDING CHAPTER 96 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STORY CITY, IOWA IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH TIMBERLAND RIDGE CONNECTION FEE DISTRICT, FINAL READING**

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Phillips, to approve Ordinance No. 310 – Amending Chapter 96 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Story City, Iowa in Order to Establish Timberland Ridge Connection Fee District, Final Reading  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

J) **ORDINANCE NO. 311 - INCREASING WATER SERVICE RATES BY AMENDING SECTION 92.02 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STORY CITY, IOWA, SECOND READING**

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Ordinance No. 311 - Increasing Water Service Rates by Amending Section 92.02 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Story City, Iowa, Second Reading  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

K) **ORDINANCE NO. 312 – INCREASING SEWER SERVICE RATES BY AMENDING SECTION 99.07 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STORY CITY, IOWA, SECOND READING**

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Ordinance No. 312 – Increasing Sewer Service Rates by Amending Section 99.07 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Story City, Iowa, Second Reading  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- A) Approve Engineering Services Agreement with MSA for Water System Risk and Resilience Assessment  
Administrator Jackson explained that this assessment is required by law for cities with populations over 3,300.  
Motion by Sporleder, seconded by O'Connor, to approve Engineering Services Agreement with MSA for Water System Risk and Resilience Assessment  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

## **PERMITS**

N/A

## **MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS**

- A) Discussion on Facilities, Services, and Events related to COVID  
Joe Lucas, Story City Parks and Recreation Superintendent, presented information to the council regarding capacity limits at Fairview Lodge and the Senior Center.

Motion made by Solberg, seconded by Sporleder to open Fairview Lodge and the Senior Center on May 1, 2021 and to adopt the following Covid -19 precautions:

- Capacity at Fairview Lodge reduced to 36 at one time
- Capacity at the Senior Center reduced to 72 at one time
- Social Distancing required. Mask wearing required unless eating or drinking
- Legal Waiver signed at time of key pickup with language regarding loss of the rental deposit if violation of these guidelines
- Council will continue reviewing these restrictions at the following meetings

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder  
Nay: None  
Motion: Carried

## **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

- Administrator Jackson: Fireworks in the budget for this year can include last year's allocation as well if the council would like additional fireworks;
  - Reminder that there is a council work session on March 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall.
- CM Ostrem: A concerned citizen has spoken with her about the parking on Forest Ave. and the difficulty it is causing for all travelers, especially buses, in that area when people park on the street.
- CM Phillips: reported that there are parking and traffic issues on Henryson as well. Also reported seeing people move barricades and use the cemetery as a parking space and a pass through
- CM Solberg: Question about the impact of the North Park Project and the Broad Street Reconstruction Project on Carousel/Scandinavian Days
  - Administrator Jackson: there will be a detour, and the park project will be in a different location than the events of the weekend.
- CM O'Connor: Question about the follow up of the noise ordinance and the citizen who was at the previous council mtg to ask about it
- Mayor Jensen: Possible set of monkey bars from the school being offered to the city.
  - Discussion about safety, deferring to Joe Lucas for decision

## **CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 21.5(j) OF THE IOWA CODE TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Phillips, To Enter Into Closed Session Pursuant To Chapter 21.5(J) Of The Iowa Code To Discuss The Purchase or Sale Of Real Estate, At 8:00 P.M.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Phillips, To Come Out Of Closed Session At 8:10 P.M.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried

There being no further business before council, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Heather Slifka, City Clerk

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Mike Jensen, Mayor