

Mayor Jensen called the council meeting to order on April 5, 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: Matt Sporleder, Story City Chief of Police, Joe Lucas, Story City Parks and Recreation Superintendent; Jenny Nelson, Story City Recreation and Aquatics Director, Lysle McDonald, Story City Fire Chief, Dave Loupee, Andrew Potratz

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by O'Connor, to amend the agenda to add under Mayor and Council Agenda Item E): Request by Roland Story PTO to use the Pool Parking Lot for their Food Truck Frenzy fundraiser.

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

Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Ostrem, to approve the March 15, 2021 regular meeting minutes and March 29, 2021 work session minutes.

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

CITIZEN APPEARANCE

- A) Dave Loupee – Request for No Parking on Hillcrest
Mayor and Council discussed this request with Dave Loupee and offered to provide Temporary No Parking signs for the specific times they would be needed. This offer was agreeable to Mr. Loupee.

- B) Andrew Potratz – Lifelight Music Festival
Andrew Potratz presented information about the Lifelight Music Festival. Mayor and Council discussed the event and the precautions the organizers proposed.
Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Ostrem, to approve the Lifelight Music Festival for July 10, 2021 as presented and discussed.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A) Proposed Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimate of Cost for the Broad Street Reconstruction Project, Phase II Project
Mayor Jensen opened the public hearing. With no public comment, Mayor Jensen closed the public hearing.

- B) Proposed Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget
Mayor Jensen opened the public hearing. With no public comment, Mayor Jensen closed the public hearing.

LEGAL ITEMS

- A) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-32 – FINALLY APPROVING AND CONFIRMING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE BROAD STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, PHASE II**
Motion by Solberg, seconded by Sporleder, to approve Resolution No. 21-32 – Finally Approving and Confirming Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimate of Cost for the Broad Street Reconstruction Project, Phase II
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- B) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-33 – APPROVING AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 BUDGET**
Motion by Phillips, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Resolution No. 21-33 – Approving Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- C) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-34 – TO FIX A DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LOAN AGREEMENTS IN A TOTAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,200,000**
Administrator Jackson presented information related to the proposed bonds.
Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Phillips, to approve Resolution No. 21-34 – To Fix a Date for Public Hearings on Loan Agreements in a Total Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$4,200,000
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- D) **RESOLUTION NO. 21-35 – SETTING DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON 2021-1 AMENDMENT TO URBAN RENEWAL PLAN FOR STORY CITY CONSOLIDATED URBAN RENEWAL AREA**
Motion by Sporleder, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Resolution No. 21-35 – Setting Date for Public Hearing for May 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, on 2021-1 Amendment to Urban Renewal Plan for Story City Consolidated Urban Renewal Area
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried

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

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Solberg, 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, Final Reading

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried

F) **ORDINANCE NO. 312 – INCREASING SEWER SERVICE RATES BY AMENDING SECTION 99.07 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STORY CITY, IOWA, FINAL 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, Final Reading

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A) Request from Fire Department to Sell Rescue Truck
Story City Fire Chief Lysle McDonald presented a request to council for permission to sell the Rescue Truck for \$25,000 to the City of Ute, Iowa.
Motion by Solberg, seconded by Phillips, to approve the request.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- B) Request Authorization to Hire Eric Stein for Police Officer Position
Story City Chief of Police, Matt Sporleder, presented a request to hire Eric Stein for the Police Officer Position.
Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Solberg, to approve request to hire Eric Stein for Police Officer Position.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- C) Request Authorization to Purchase Mower for Parks and Recreation Department
Story City Parks and Recreation Superintendent, Joe Lucas, presented a request for authorization to purchase a new mower.
Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Ostrem, to approve authorization request Purchase Mower for Parks and Recreation Department.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None
Motion Carried

- D) Approve Underwriting Engagement Letter with D.A. Davidson for 2021 General Obligation and General Obligation Refunding Bonds
Administrator Jackson presented a request to approve the underwriting engagement letter with D.A. Davidson.
Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Solberg, to approve underwriting engagement letter with D.A. Davidson for 2021 General Obligation and General Obligation Refunding Bonds
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- E) Approve Agreement with Farnsworth Group for Architectural Services for City Hall Renovations
Motion by Phillips, seconded by Sporleder, to approve agreement with Farnsworth Group for Architectural Services for City Hall Renovations, not to exceed \$4,750, for the preliminary design plans.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- F) Approve Construction Pay Application No. 7 for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Phase 1 Improvements
Motion by Solberg, seconded by Phillips, to Approve Construction Pay Application No. 7 for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Phase 1 Improvements in the amount of \$50,278.75.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- G) 2020 Street Improvements North Elm and Factory Outlet Drive
1. Approve Change Orders No.1 and No.2
Administrator Jackson reviewed the proposed change orders.
Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Ostrem, to approve Change Orders No. 1 for \$49,685.65 and No. 2 for \$3,300 for a net increase of \$52,985.65.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried

PERMITS

- A) Liquor:
1. Kum & Go – 1554 Broad
Motion by Phillips, seconded by O'Connor, to approve Liquor Permit at Kum & Go – 1554 Broad.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None
Motion Carried

MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

- A) Discussion on Facilities, Services, and Events related to COVID
Jenny Nelson, Story City Recreation and Aquatics Director, presented information to council regarding the plan for opening the pool this season using protocols for reduced capacity limits, social distancing and the possible opening date of June 5th.
- Clerk Slifka presented for discussion the opening of City Hall on May 3rd with a request for a permanent change to hours as follows:
M: 1-4:30, T-F: 8-4:30 and the intention to use signage to encourage ongoing use of drop boxes when possible.
- Mayor Jensen, CM Solberg, and Administrator Jackson presented information from a meeting with the Library Board President and Library Director on Phases 4 and 5 of further reopening the library.
- Administrator Jackson discussed the request from the American Legion for Memorial Day.
- B) Request from Norsemen Youth Baseball to use East Baseball Diamond
Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Phillips, to approve request from Norsemen Youth Baseball to use East Baseball Diamond
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- C) Sidewalk Improvement Applications:
1. Jacquelyn Young – 113 Lafayette
2. Dennis Duke – 733 State
3. Steve Disbrowe – 908 Elm – reimburse \$925 for a double section.
Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Ostrem, to approve sidewalk improvement applications by Jacquelyn Young – 113 Lafayette, Dennis Duke – 733 State, Steve Disbrowe – 908 Elm – reimburse \$925
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried
- D) Tax Abatements:
1. Craig Rasmusson – 905 Henryson
Motion by Solberg, seconded by O'Connor, to approve tax abatement application for Craig Rasmusson – 905 Henryson
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried

- E) Request by Roland Story PTO to use the Pool Parking Lot for their Food Truck Frenzy fundraiser
Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Sporleder, to approve request by Roland Story PTO to use the Pool Parking Lot for their Food Truck Frenzy fundraiser
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS FOR MARCH

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Solberg, to approve payment of bills and claims for March.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS

CM Phillips: Question about the garage sale that is ongoing at the storage unit in Story City and the claim that they are offering donations to people in need.

There being no further business before council, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

Heather Slifka, City Clerk

Mike Jensen, Mayor