

COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 24, 2023

5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

ABSENT: None

Mayor Gordon presided.

During open forum Ken Paxton, Greene County Development Director talked about an informational handout for the Jefferson Housing Project and Dennis Lautner voiced his concerns about declining population and higher taxes.

On motion by Jackson, second by Sloan, the Council approved the following consent items: forgiveness of \$306.13 in sewer charges for Brent & Loretta Goughnour, October 10, 2023 Council Minutes, October 17, 2023 Special Council Minutes, sidewalk reimbursement for Dan Woodley in the amount of \$5,750, and Al's Corner Oil Company, dba Sparky's One Stop #22, Class B Retail Alcohol license.

AYE: Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

On motion by Ahrenholtz, second by Zmolek, the Council approved the second reading of an Ordinance amending the code of ordinance of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, regarding the responsibility for water service pipes.

AYE: Zmolek, Wetrich, Sloan, Jackson, Ahrenholtz

NAY: None

On motion by Sloan, second by Ahrenholtz, the Council approved the second reading of an Ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, to allow zero lot line structures.

AYE: Wetrich, Sloan, Jackson, Zmolek, Ahrenholtz

NAY: None

On motion by Zmolek, second by Ahrenholtz, the Council approved the second reading of an Ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, to allow infill site development.

AYE: Zmolek, Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich

NAY: None

On motion by Sloan, second by Wetrich, the Council approved the first reading of an Ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, regulating fencing materials.

AYE: Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

On motion by Sloan, second by Jackson, the Council approved the first reading of an Ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, by amending provision pertaining to water rates.

AYE: Wetrich, Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Zmolek

NAY: None

RESOLUTION NO. 53-23

On motion by Ahrenholtz, second by Jackson, the Council approved Resolution No. 53-23, a resolution approving a Region XII Local Planning and Administrative Assistance Contract to Apply for an Iowa Economic Development Authority Community Development Block Grant for Upper-Story Rental Housing at 114 & 116 North Wilson Avenue.

AYE: Ahrenholtz, Sloan, Zmolek, Jackson, Wetrich

NAY: None

RESOLUTION NO. 54-23

On motion by Ahrenholtz, second by Wetrich, the Council approved Resolution No. 54-23, a resolution setting time and place for a Public Hearing concerning application for a Community Development Block Grant for 114 & 116 North Wilson Avenue. Public Hearing has been set for November 14, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

AYE: Wetrich, Ahrenholtz, Zmolek, Sloan, Jackson

NAY: None

RESOLUTION NO. 55-23

On motion by Wetrich, second by Zmolek, the Council approved Resolution No. 55-23, a resolution approving Policy regarding Sidewalk Maintenance, Repair, and Cost Sharing.

AYE: Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

On motion by Zmolek, second by Sloan, the Council approved the first reading of an Ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, by amending provisions pertaining to downtown sidewalk maintenance and repair responsibility.

AYE: Sloan, Zmolek, Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Wetrich

NAY: None

RESOLUTION NO. 56-23

On motion by Jackson, second by Wetrich, the Council approved Resolution No. 56-23, a resolution approving \$70,000 Economic Development Forgivable Loan Agreement with Greene Ventures, LLC.

AYE: Zmolek, Ahrenholtz, Sloan, Wetrich, Jackson

NAY: None

RESOLUTION NO. 57-23

On motion by Wetrich, second by Zmolek, the Council approved Resolution No. 57-23, a resolution approving 28E agreement for the operation of the Daubendiek Park Golf Course.

AYE: Sloan, Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Wetrich , Zmolek

NAY: None

RESOLUTION NO. 58-23

On motion by Ahrenholtz, second by Sloan, the Council approved Resolution No. 58-23, a resolution approving 28E agreement with Greene County for Sharing the Operating Costs of the Jefferson Animal Shelter.

AYE: Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

On motion by Ahrenholtz, second by Jackson, the Council approved the purchase of a Directional Boring Unit from Roddie, Inc.in the amount of \$82,092.86.

AYE: Ahrenholtz, Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

There being no further business the Council agreed to adjourn at 6:03 p.m.

Matt Gordon, Mayor

Roxanne Gorsuch, City Clerk