

COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 23, 2024

5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

ABSENT: Ahrenholtz

Craig Berry presided.

Denny Lautner voiced his concerns during open forum.

On motion by Jackson, second by Zmolek, the Council approved the following consent items: January 9, 2024 Council Minutes, appoint Ted Semke to Jefferson Fire Department, approve Neighborhood Improvement Grant application for Terry Morrison for \$1,100, Fareway Stores, Inc., #888, Class E Retail Alcohol License and Casey's General Store #1617, Class E Retail Alcohol License.

AYE: Wetrich, Jackson, Sloan, Zmolek

NAY: None

**RESOLUTION NO. 8-24**

On motion by Jackson, second by Wetrich, the Council approved Resolution No. 8-24, a resolution setting public hearing regarding a proposal to change the zoning classification for property at 403 W Head Street. The Public Hearing has been set for February 13, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

AYE: Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

On motion by Wetrich, second by Zmolek, the Council approved sanitation (2024 Freightliner) and recycling truck (2024 Peterbilt). Recycling will move to "Single Stream" with all recyclables placed in 65-gallon containers that can be collected mechanically. Not to exceed \$728,000.

AYE: Wetrich, Jackson, Sloan, Zmolek

NAY: None

**RESOLUTION NO. 9-24**

On motion by Jackson, second by Wetrich, the Council approved Resolution No. 9-24, a resolution approving Engagement of Piper Sandler & Co. for assistance with General Obligation Bond underwriting.

AYE: Zmolek, Jackson, Wetrich, Sloan

NAY: None

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-24**

On motion by Wetrich, second by Zmolek, the Council approved Resolution No. 10-24, a resolution setting date for public hearing and additional action on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,700,000. The Public Hearing has been set for February 13, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

AYE: Wetrich, Zmolek, Jackson, Sloan

NAY: None

On motion by Jackson, second by Wetrich, the Council approved to pay half of the cost for a Library Readiness Study with Amperage as the firm. The cost of the study is \$28,000. The City's portion would come from Grow Greene County Gaming Corporation funds.

AYE: Jackson, Wetrich, Sloan, Zmolek

NAY: None

Kathy Bravard, representative from the Pickleball Committee gave the Council an update on the Pickleball project. On motion by Jackson, second by Zmolek the City Council approved the grant application and to act as the fiscal sponsor for the grant.

AYE: Zmolek, Wetrich, Sloan, Jackson

NAY: None

On motion by Jackson, second by Zmolek, the Council approved the first reading of an ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, by amending provision related to organization of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

AYE: Jackson, Wetrich, Zmolek, Sloan

NAY: None

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 634**

On motion by Jackson, second by Zmolek, the Council waived the second and third readings and approved the final adoption of an ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, by amending provision related to organization of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

AYE: Wetrich, Sloan, Jackson, 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 provision pertaining to oversized water meter surcharges.

AYE: Zmolek, Sloan, Jackson, Wetrich

NAY: None

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 635**

On motion by Zmolek, second by Wetrich, the Council waived the second and third readings and approved the final adoption of an ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Jefferson, Iowa, 2017, by amending provision pertaining to oversized water meter surcharges.

AYE: Wetrich, Sloan, Jackson, Zmolek

NAY: None

On motion by Jackson, second by Zmolek, the Council approved the Livestreaming Service Contract agreement with Sebourn Video Services, LLC for livestreaming city council meetings and providing personnel and equipment necessary. The payment cost for each City Council meeting will be \$250 and \$50 addition for each City Council meeting hosted on Zoom or other video conferencing software.

AYE: Jackson, Sloan, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

On motion by Jackson, second by Wetrich, the Council approved the name "Community Animal Shelter" as the official name of the facility.

AYE: Jackson, Zmolek, Sloan, Wetrich

NAY: None

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 11-24**

On motion by Wetrich, and second Jackson, the Council approved Resolution No. 11-24, a resolution approving \$150,000 Economic Development Forgivable Loan agreement with Gregory Hacker and Shirley Hacker for a new event venue "Courtyard on State Street" at 108 W. State Street.

AYE: Wetrich, Sloan, Jackson, Zmolek

NAY: None

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-24**

On motion by Jackson, and second Zmolek, the Council approved Resolution No. 12-24, a resolution approving \$93,000 Economic Development Forgivable Loan Agreement with Jacob Keller and Jeanna M. Keller at 105 N. Chestnut Street.

AYE: Wetrich, Sloan, Zmolek, Jackson

NAY: None

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-24**

On motion by Wetrich, and second Sloan, the Council approved Resolution No. 13-24, a resolution approving Engagement of Bolton & Menk, Inc. for General Engineering Services for 2024.

AYE: Sloan, Jackson, Wetrich, Zmolek

NAY: None

The annual report with Thomas Jefferson Gardens was held to update the Council on activities.

Item O removed from the agenda.

Mayor Craig Berry mentioned the passing of John Milligan who was an owner of MHF Engineering and worked as the City Engineer for many years.

There being no further business the Council agreed to adjourn at 6:39 p.m.

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Craig Berry, Mayor

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Roxanne Gorsuch, City Clerk