

MINUTES OF THE SULLY CITY COUNCIL

SULLY, IOWA

FEBRUARY 10, 2020

The Sully City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on February 10, 2020, in the Council Chambers with Mayor Gordon Yarrington presiding. The following Council Members were present: Jeff Burkett, Josh Foster, Wes Van Wyk, and Teryl Ver Ploeg. One council position is vacant.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Foster, Second made by Burkett, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for January 13, 2020; payment of claims list; monthly treasurer's report; equipment fund summary; and revolving loan fund summary. Roll Call Vote: 3-0-1 Motion carried (Council Member Van Wyk abstained from the vote.)

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (DIVISIONS 1 & 2): As published, a public hearing was held to consider the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Project. No objections were filed or voiced; and Mayor Yarrington declared the hearing closed.

RESOLUTION FINALLY APPROVING AND CONFIRMING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (DIVISIONS 1 & 2): Motion made by Ver Ploeg, Second made by Burkett, to adopt Resolution 2020-05 finally approving and confirming plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Project 2020. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (DIVISIONS 1 & 2): Council reviewed three bids received for Division 1 and three bids received for Division 2 of the Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Project as compared to the engineer's cost estimate.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (DIVISIONS 1 & 2): Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by Ver Ploeg, to adopt Resolution 2020-06 to award contracts for the Sanitary Sewer System Improvements Project; Division 1 to Municipal Pipe Tool for \$40,971.20; and Division 2 to Blommers Construction for \$367,200.00. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO NUTRI-JECT SYSTEMS: Motion made by Ver Ploeg, Second made by Van Wyk, to adopt Resolution 2020-07 to authorize Payment No. 1 for \$39,958.04 to Nutri-Ject Systems for Wastewater System Improvements – Division 3. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

BACKUP GENERATOR – WWTP: Motion made by Ver Ploeg, Second made by Burkett, to proceed with installation of backup generator at the wastewater treatment plant as previously approved. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED GENERAL PROPERTY TAX LEVY: As published, a public hearing was held to consider the proposed general property tax levy for fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021. No objections were filed or voiced; and Mayor Yarrington declared the hearing closed.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAXIMUM TAX DOLLARS FROM CERTAIN LEVIES FOR THE CITY'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET: Motion made by Ver Ploeg, Second made by Foster, to adopt Resolution 2020-08 approving the maximum tax dollars from certain levies for the city's proposed fiscal year 2020-2021 budget. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

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FY2021 BUDGET – SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED BUDGET: Motion made by Burkett, Second made by Foster, to set a public hearing for March 9, 2020 on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2021. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

TULIP CITY AGENCY – INSURANCE RENEWAL: Jim Gosselink with Tulip City Agency was present to review the city's insurance policy with the council for possible changes before renewal of the policy.

RESOLUTION APPROVING EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH CALDWELL, BRIERLY & CHALUPA PLLC: Motion made by Ver Ploeg, Second made by Foster, to adopt Resolution 2020-09 authorizing and approving employment agreement between Caldwell, Brierly & Chalupa PLLC and the City of Sully. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR BACKUP CERTIFIED WATER/WASTEWATER OPERATOR: Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by Foster, to adopt Resolution 2020-10 authorizing and approving an agreement with Professional Operations Management for water/wastewater backup certified operator services. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT PERTAINING TO WATER RATES: Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by Ver Ploeg, to approve the first reading of an ordinance to increase water usage fee to \$7.19 per 1,000 gallons with a 2% annual increase. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

DISCUSS ALLEY CLEANING POLICY: Council reviewed the alley policy adopted December 2018; specifically snow removal priorities and procedures for alleys. Alleys are last on the list of snow removal priorities and snow removal will not occur unless snow accumulation is at least 4 inches. No changes were made to the policy. A reminder of snow removal procedures for alleys will be published.

APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBER TO FILL VACANCY: Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by Ver Ploeg, to appoint Jon Van Wyk to fill the council member vacancy. Roll Call Vote: 3-1 Motion carried (Council Member Burkett voted no)

APPROVE LIBRARY EMPLOYEE: Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by Foster, to approve Kristin Schakel as a library employee at a starting wage rate of \$9.00 per hour. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

USE OF BALL DIAMONDS FOR YOUTH LEAGUES: Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by Foster, to allow both the homeschool league and the LS Youth Sports League to use the city ball diamonds; both leagues will need to coordinate their schedules using the same process as last year. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

QUOTES FOR REPLACING KITCHEN FAUCETS: Motion made by Ver Ploeg, Second made by Burkett, to approve quote of \$1,788.75 plus labor and miscellaneous parts for replacing three kitchen faucets at the Community Center submitted by Sully Plumbing & Heating. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

QUOTES FOR REPLACING GUTTERS ON COMMUNITY CENTER: Motion made by Burkett, Second made by Foster, to approve quote of \$2,466.25 for installation of gutters and downspouts on the Community Center submitted by Pella Glass & Home Improvement. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

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DISCUSSION OF ITEMS ON ACTION SHEET: Council Members reviewed and discussed items on council action list.

REPORTS/COMMENTS:

1. 25 mph school zone sign installed
2. City pickup needs new tires
3. Council Member Van Wyk gave update on valve replacement project at WWTP
4. PWD will get quotes to re-paint parking lines around city square
5. Golf cart permit stickers will be ordered from Iowa Prison Industries
6. Clerk will contact Midwest Sanitation about spring cleanup date
7. Clerk will check Midwest Sanitation contract for listed pickup time for recycles
8. Clerk will check Sully Fire Department 28E for snow removal by the city
9. Newton Sanitary Landfill tonnage fee with increase by \$1
10. Personnel Committee was asked to perform employee reviews

Council meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.