

June 26, 2023
City Council Meeting Minutes

The June 26, 2023 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Pro Tem Bill Hosch. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Delaney, Hosch, Kelchen, Oliphant (attended remotely from 6-7:30pm) and Rausch answered roll call. Excused: Mayor Knepper

Motion Kelchen, second Rausch to approve the agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Speakers from the floor: Shirley McDermott spoke about the cancer statistics in Iowa and the noise level at the recent Summer Pool Bash.

Motion Kelchen, second Delaney to approve the consent agenda items: City Council Minutes 6/12/23, Planning and Zoning Commission 6/1/23, Library Board 6/6/23 and Utility Board 6/14/23; June 26, 2023 claims with the exception of the Smart Communications check if or until proof of employment is confirmed. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Amy Ludwig was thanked and presented with a plaque in appreciation for her service on the Library Board.

Discussion took place on a future piece of playground equipment at Oak Hill Park. The neighborhood will be working on a fundraiser of \$60,000 from the community.

Motion Delaney, second Rausch to allow the neighborhood group to proceed with a fundraising campaign. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

The staff and Chamber created a community video that was entered into an IEDA statewide contest on how we promote our small businesses. There is online Facebook voting this week. If we make the finals, there will be an assignment the week of July 6. A panel of judges makes the final selection, and the winner gets a professionally painted mural in their City and statewide publicity.

Further discussion took place with the Chamber and CEDC on a possible joint Full-Time position that would combine duties such as Chamber Director, volunteer coordinator, promotion and marketing.

Motion Rausch, second Kelchen to allocate funds to be a Tier 2 sponsor in the upcoming KCRG's Our Town Visit in collaboration with CMU. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Delaney, second Kelchen to approve Resolution #53-23 Social Services Agreements FY24 to include the following allocations: Cascade Community Enhancement Committee \$1,000, Garden Club \$1,200, Lions Club \$9,400, Jones County Tourism \$117.90, ISU Jones County Extension \$300, American Legion \$5,000, Jones County Economic Development \$2,000, Cascade Hometown Days \$1,000, Rockin' on the River \$2,000, Jones County Youth Coalition \$500, Tri-County Historical Society \$5,000. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Rausch, second Kelchen to approve Ordinance #07-23 Vicious and Dangerous Animals and Maximum Allowable Dogs and Cats (Third and Final Reading). Roll Call Vote. Four Ayes, One Nay (Hosch). Motion carried.

Motion Rausch, second Oliphant to approve Resolution #55-23 Requesting School Transportation Fee Waivers for the Riverbend Subdivision from the Western Dubuque School District. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

The Council discussed Park Ridge Phase 3 Subdivision and the extension of Dillon Street SE between 7th Ave SE and 9th Ave SE. The City Council agreed that the street needs to be constructed. Before they would determine possible partial City funding, they requested that Maryville bid out the project and get actual costs for this section of a street with the full street construction and compare with the costs as it is currently designed with the partial turnaround or hammer head.

Motion Kelchen, second Rausch to approve Resolution #50-23 TIF Rebate for Riverbend and Callahan Construction (\$38,849.03). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Rausch, second Oliphant to approve Resolution #51-23 TIF Rebate Premium Plant Service (\$26,537.56). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Oliphant, second Delaney consideration of Resolution #52-23 TIF Rebate Centro (\$414.78). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place on the Private Building Located on City-Owned Land and 109 Polk Street NE. The City Council is agreeable to direct staff to negotiate the terms of the sale.

Motion Oliphant, second Delaney to approve Resolution #54-23 Set Public Hearing Date for Library Construction. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place on Businesses Providing an In-Kind Donation to the Library construction project.

Staff presented a draft Vacant Building Registration ordinance to address commercial and industrial buildings. This will be discussed again at the next City Council meeting.

Heim and Kotter provided staff updates.

Motion Kelchen, second Rausch adjourn at 8:31 pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Lisa A. Kotter, City Administrator

Steven J. Knepper, Mayor