

CITY OF SIGOURNEY, IOWA
MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2024

The Sigourney City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, with Mayor Morlan presiding and the following Council members answering roll call: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Others present were Steve Shettler, Steve Shetter Media; Don Northup, Director of Public Works I; Brent Gilliland, Director of Public Works II, Kris Metcalf, Police Chief; Beckie Appleget, Office Assistant; and Ashley Fry, Deputy City Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Clark, to approve the tentative agenda. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Iosbaker, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the regular Council Meeting of March 20, 2024; Minutes of the First Special Council Meeting of March 27, 2024; Minutes of the Second Special Council Meeting of March 27, 2024; Council Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$20,971.88; Liquor License Application for Amanda Snakenberg (DBA: Barn Wired) at 119 E. Marion Street, Sigourney, Iowa for a Class C Retail Alcohol License; credit card report; and the time and place for the April 17, 2024 regular Council Meeting is 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Public Hearing(s): Mayor Morlan stated it was the time and place for the public hearing on Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Northeast Urban Renewal Plan. Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Lentz, to open the public hearing on the Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Northeast Urban Renewal Plan. Upon the roll being called, the following votes Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion to approve the public hearing opening at 6:03 p.m.

Mayor Morlan stated the public hearing was published in the March 20th, 2024; Sigourney News Review as required by law. Mayor Morlan asked if the city received any written or verbal communications or objections to the Proposed Amendment No. 1 or the Consultation Meeting held with the Sigourney Community School District and Keokuk County, and there were none. Mayor Morlan asked if anyone had any questions or comments and hearing none asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

Council member Iosbaker moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to close the public hearing on Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Northeast Urban Renewal Plan. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved and the public hearing closed at 6:05 p.m.

Council member Iosbaker moved, seconded by Council member McLaughlin, to approve Resolution No. 2024-04-08 determining an area of the city to be an economic development area, and that the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, development or combination thereof, of such area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare of the residents of the City; designating such area as appropriate for urban renewal projects; and adopting the Amendment No. 1 to the Northeast Urban Renewal Plan. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Additional City Business: Council member Iosbaker, Keokuk County Economic Development, reported KCED is in the middle of its membership drive and members are sending in pledges. They are working aggressively on the childcare initiative and have made progress in the last several weeks in terms of finalizing the proposed financial model and have identified the board of directors and expect to receive documentation for filing the 501(c)(3) for signature this week and will have their first board meeting tomorrow April 4, 2024.

Park and Recreation: Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Lentz, to approve the Pool Policies and Procedures Handbook for 2024 as presented. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Iosbaker, to approve the ad for hiring a Flag Football Director for the 2024 season in the Sigourney News Review except for a date change in the ad to reflect the 2024 dates. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Street and Sanitation: Council member Iosbaker moved, seconded by Council member Lentz, to approve the Third and Final reading of Ordinance re: Title III Community Protection – Chapter 16 Mowing of Properties. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member Lentz, to approve the Third and Final reading of an Amendment to Ordinance Title III Community Protection – Chapter 2 Nuisances – 3-2-1 Definitions 1(k). Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Water and Wastewater: Don Northup, Director of Public Works I, reviewed and explained the Three Year Planned Maintenance Agreement with Cummins Sales and Service for the Rock Island Well, Water Treatment Plant and Wastewater Treatment Plan. Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the Three Year Planned Maintenance Agreement with Cummins Sales and Service for the Rock Island Well, Water Treatment Plant and Wastewater Treatment Plan as presented. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Public Safety: Council member Clark explained that the Personal Property (Poles) Sales Agreement with Alliant Energy is for the purchase of poles for the camera project in the amount of \$844.00. Council member Iosbaker moved, seconded by Council member Clark, to approve the Personal Property (Poles) Sales Agreement Alliant Energy as presented. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Public Input: Randy Schultz stated that he would home and be at the next meeting in person and not via zoom.

Council member Clark moved, seconded by Council member Lentz, to adjourn the meeting. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: McLaughlin, Iosbaker, Lentz, Schultz, Clark, and Conrad. Nays: None. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Jimmy Morlan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Beckie Appleget, Office Assistant