

REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, December 7, 2021 – 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers – Denison, Iowa

The first regular council meeting of the City of Denison, Iowa was held pursuant to law on the above date and hour. Mayor Soseman called the meeting to order with the following members present: CURNYN, GARCIA, GRANZEN, LOGAN (via phone), MILLER

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Soseman led the pledge of allegiance.
- MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA Motion Garcia/Curnyn to table item #13 – resolution setting public hearing for budget amendment FY 21-22 and item #14 – resolution setting public hearing for max levy FY 22-23 and then approve the agenda. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.
Motion Garcia/Curnyn to approve the following items on the consent agenda: a) approve and waive the reading of the minutes for 11/16/2021 & 11/30/2021; b) approve the bills as presented; c) approve liquor license(s) for: Book ‘Em Dano’s and Wise Monkey Quilting; d) approve wage increase for Eric Martens from \$2,773.08 to \$2,853.08 biweekly; e) approve wage increase for Mike Vogt from \$2,218.47 to \$2,298.47 biweekly; f) approve Draw #6 – CDBG housing rehab – Region XII. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.
- CITIZEN INPUT None.
- DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS Kempfert sent a written report. Light up our town contest deadline is 15th, which is free for any DMU customer and the winner receives \$50 off DMU electric bill and a \$50 CDC gift card. Letter from Santa deadline is the 12th. Swim team has had two meets so far and we will be hosting two in January. Lifeguard training class will be wrapping up shortly. Adult co-ed indoor volleyball league starts this Sunday and will run through the beginning of March. There will be additional programs during Christmas break and details will follow. Parks & Rec meeting was postponed until tomorrow night. Peters reported that the Winter Snowcial event went well. He continues to learn the duties of the police chief and has full department support. Walley passed out a brochure for December programs at the Library. The meeting space continues to be used frequently. The Friends of the Library had their Christmas book/bake sale and received many donations. The Library participated in a scavenger hunt for the Winter Snowcial. She has been busy interviewing part-time positions but having problems hiring employees because they withdraw their application due to the wage. Martens reported that Public Works has been working with contractors and have removed 40 Ash trees so far plus an additional 10-15 trees by Public Works dept. They let the bids on the final 19 trees yesterday. They have been able to continue

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concrete work due to the weather. Working on patching streets, the street sweeper has been out and storm water intakes have been cleaned. Snowgren reported that the Fire Dept. has had some structure fires and went to Dunlap to assist with a structure fire there. The apartment fire in Denison is under investigation. He will be sending letters to multi-family property owners reminding them to make sure they have active smoke detectors in place.

MOTION TO APPROVE
AMENDED LEC AGREEMENT

Motion Garcia/Granzen to approve the amended LEC agreement.
Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

MOTION TO ALLOW MAJESTIC
HILLS TO SUBLET THEIR LEASE
TO CHRIS POLLEY

Motion Granzen/Garcia to allow Majestic Hills Golf Course to sublet their lease with the City of Denison for the restaurant area to Chris Polley. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2021-42
INTRODUCED. SET PUBLIC
HEARING.

Resolution #2021-42 was introduced setting a public hearing for January 4, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. for bond issue. Motion Garcia/Granzen that resolution #2021-42 is adopted. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2021-43
INTRODUCED ACCEPTING
WORK ON FEMA RIVER
EMBANKMENT PROJECT

Resolution #2021-43 was introduced accepting the work on FEMA river embankment project. Motion Miller/Curnyn that resolution #2021-43 is adopted. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2021-44
APPROVED THE AIRPORT 5
YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
PLAN

Resolution #2021-44 was introduced approving the airport 5 year Capital Improvement Plan. Motion Miller/Garcia that resolution #2021-44 is adopted. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

MOTION APPROVING WARD
POPULATION UPDATES AFTER
2020 CENSUS

Motion Garcia/Curnyn approving the Memorandum of Agreement with Crawford County regarding ward population updates after 2020 census. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

MOTION TO NOT APPROVE
AMENDMENT #1 TO
AGREEMENT WITH DGR FOR
ARC FLASH STUDY

Motion Garcia/Curnyn not to approve amendment #1 to agreement with DGR for ARC flash study. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER LEFT

Garcia left at 5:42 p.m.

MOTION TO PAY INVOICE
FROM TEN POINT FOR 14TH
STREET PARKING STORM
WATER DRAINAGE

Motion Miller/Granzen to pay the invoice from Ten Point Construction for 14th St. parking storm water drainage with half of the funds coming from RUT and half from ARPA. Ayes: 4 Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE
PURCHASE OF A DEMO PLOW

Motion Miller/Granzen to approve purchase of a demo plow in addition to the plow already ordered. Ayes: 4 Motion carried.

REVIEW OF DEPARTMENT
BUDGET REQUESTS FOR FY 22-
23

Koch reviewed department budget requests for FY 22-23. Discussed increasing starting wages for part-time employees. Koch explained that this is just to see what department heads are asking for but we won't know what we will be able to do until after we receive tax valuations in January. No action taken.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Soseman thanked CDC & WIBO for Winter snowcial event. She attended a tourism conference and Region XII is receiving \$307,000 for housing assistance. The task force to discuss City Manger position has met a couple of times and have another meeting scheduled next week. They will also be talking with the HR consultant and bringing a recommendation to council.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Crawford reported that Cayler Consulting has started the process for hiring a police chief and the advertisements have been sent. The application deadline is 4:00 p.m. on January 7th. He thanked Public Works for all their assistance on the Home for lowans (HFI) on Ave C. Public works has someone interested in doing seasonal work, helping with snow removal as needed and working in nodes next spring/summer. There is a housing meeting Tuesday and Karla Janning from Region XII will be present via phone to help with creating the application for the HFI. The grant for the Brownfields project was submitted. He continues to work on N. 10th St. audit.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Pamela Soseman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa K. Koch, City Clerk