

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 17, 2017 MEETING  
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL**

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 17, 2017 in the Council Chambers of the Humboldt Municipal Building. Mayor Daniel Scholl called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Council Members present: Goodell, Sleiter, Vermeer, Davis, and Whittlesey.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the Minutes of the April 3, 2017 regular Council Meeting; 3) the Minutes of the April 3, 2017 Work Session; 4) the Minutes of the April 12, 2017 special Council Meeting; 5) the March Treasurer's Report; 6) the March Investment Report; and 7) the renewal of a Class C Liquor License, Catering and Sunday Sales Privileges, and Outdoor Service Area for S & M Nelson, LLC d/b/a Gordy's at Rustix. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Clint Fishel of PeopleService, Inc. presented the March PeopleService reports. He updated the Council on current and upcoming repairs and maintenance issues at the water and wastewater plants.

Motion by Davis, Second by Goodell to authorize City staff to obtain bids and purchase a pickup truck for the Street Department. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

This being the time and place for the scheduled Public Hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost of the acquisition of snow removal equipment for the Humboldt Municipal Airport in the City of Humboldt, Humboldt County, Iowa, Mayor Scholl opened the public hearing at 5:43 PM.

Joe Roenfeldt, of Clapsaddle-Garber Associates, reviewed the plans and specifications of the snow removal equipment for the Humboldt Municipal Airport. The Notice to Bidders included two divisions for the equipment, an industrial tractor and a wheel-loader carrier vehicle. Both divisions include a snow plow, front-mounted snow blower and front-mounted power broom. He reviewed the federal requirements for the purchase of the equipment. He also reviewed the base bids received for each division, including all alternate equipment, which were as follows:

Division A (4X4 Industrial Tractor) (Engineer's Estimate - \$193,681.00)		
KC Nielsen LTD	Humboldt, IA	\$223,175.00

Division B (4X4 Wheel Loader Carrier Vehicle) (Engineer's Estimate - \$308,681.00)		
Murphy Tractor	Fort Dodge, IA	\$230,000.00
Titan Machinery	Des Moines, IA	\$295,510.00

It was the recommendation of the Project Engineer that the bid from KC Nielsen, LTD for the industrial tractor be accepted, as this was the low overall bid. It was the consensus of the Council after some discussion that the wheel-loader might be easier for airport personnel to operate, and recommended the purchase of the wheel-loader from Murphy Tractor, the low bid for Division B. Mr. Roenfeldt wasn't sure whether the FAA would approve the purchase of equipment which was not in the lowest bid. He will check on the possibility of purchasing the wheel-loader instead of the tractor.

There were no further comments or objections from the City Administrator, Mayor or Council. No written comments or objections were received, and there were no comments or objections from the general public in attendance.

There being no more comments or objections on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost of the acquisition of snow removal equipment for the Humboldt Municipal Airport in the City of Humboldt, Humboldt County, Iowa, Mayor Scholl closed the public hearing at 5:49 PM.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Vermeer to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-29: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A REPLACEMENT LEASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT AND THE HUMBOLDT-DAKOTA CITY SENIOR CITIZENS’ CENTER, INC.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Vermeer, Davis and Whittlesey. Motion carried.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-30: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR IDOT AIRPORT PROGRAM FUNDING AND CERTIFYING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Vermeer, Davis, Whittlesey, and Goodell. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Vermeer to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-31: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATED COST FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION FOR THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Vermeer, Davis, Whittlesey, Goodell, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Vermeer to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2017-32: “A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT, CONTINGENT UPON THE RECEIPT AND EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION AND APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL AVIATION FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR THE SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION FOR THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA.” (Wheel-loader from Murphy Tractor for a bid price of \$230,000.00 – the Project Engineer will check with the FAA on whether that would be allowed)

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Davis, Whittlesey, Goodell, Sleiter, and Vermeer. Motion carried.

Other Items Discussed: City Administrator – Reminded the Council of the scheduled junk cleanup dates (week of April 24<sup>th</sup>) and brush cleanup dates (week of May 8<sup>th</sup>), and reminded them that grass should not be blown into the street. He also updated the Council on the Downtown Assessment meetings held this past week. Whittlesey – Asked if some brush could be cleared that blocks the view of the river from Sumner Avenue Hill. Vermeer – Pointed out that the sealcoat on the Cottonwood Trail is bad, and that there are still several potholes that need to be looked at.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Davis to schedule Monday, May 1, 2017 at 5:30 PM as the date and time for the next regular meeting of the Humboldt City Council and to adjourn this session at 6:24 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

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Daniel E. Scholl, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk