

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 6, 2024 MEETING  
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL**

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 6, 2024 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, Dominick, Harklau, and Whittlesey.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Harklau to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the April 15, 2024 regular Council meeting; 3) the April Investment Report; 4) the April Treasurer's Report; 5) the April claims; 6) the renewal of a Special Class C Retail Alcohol License and Outdoor Service Area for Beilke Brewing, LLC, d/b/a TractorLift Brewery (pending dram shop certification); and 7) the renewal of a Special Class C Retail Alcohol License for Cottonwood Trails, LLC, d/b/a AmericInn Humboldt (pending dram shop certification). (5) Ayes, motion carried.

The City Administrator reviewed his Council Report.

Brent Hinson of Hinson Consulting, LLC was present via electronic meeting software to review the proposal to conduct a search for a new City Clerk.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve a proposal from Hinson Consulting, LLC to conduct a search for the Humboldt City Clerk position. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Joel Sanders was present to introduce Daniel Cotterill to the Council.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Whittlesey to approve the hiring of Daniel Cotterill as a new Police Officer, effective Monday, April 29, 2024 at a rate of \$29.79 per hour. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Goodell to approve street closure requests for a portion of Sumner Avenue on June 8, July 13, and August 10 for the Humboldt Farmer's Market (subject to change due to construction). (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Sleiter to approve a bid from Goodell Concrete & Construction LLC to construct a jet truck dump station at the Humboldt Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$25,000.00. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Harklau, Second by Whittlesey to approve a proposal from Gronbach Construction for exterior improvements to the Humboldt Community Center in the amount of \$58,258.00. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Harklau to approve a bid from Gronbach Construction LLC for sidewalk construction at Taft Park in the amount of \$40,921.00. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2024-48: "A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE WRITE-OFF OF WATER, SEWER, GARBAGE, LANDFILL, AND CANOPY LIGHTING CHARGES ON FINAL UTILITY BILLS."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Dominick, Harklau, and Whittlesey. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2024-49: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT ESTIMATE, DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PUBLISH THE NOTICE OF PUBLIC

HEARING AND SETTING MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024 AT 5:30 PM AS THE DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Dominick, Harklau, Whittlesey, and Goodell. Motion carried.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Dominick to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2024-50: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH JEFF WEISS, D/B/A WEISS SEPTIC PUMPING & HAULING OF BARNUM, IOWA FOR THE DISCHARGE OF EFFLUENT INTO THE CITY SANITARY SEWER TREATMENT SYSTEM.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Dominick, Harklau, Whittlesey, Goodell, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2024-51: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 7 WITH PETERSON CONSTRUCTION OF WEBSTER CITY, IOWA FOR THE RAW PUMPING AND NUTRIENT REMOVAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR A NET DECREASE IN THE CONTINGENCY ALLOWANCE OF \$8,970.00.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Harklau, Whittlesey, Goodell, Sleiter, and Dominick. Motion carried.

Motion by Harklau, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2024-52: “A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES AND SERVICE CHARGES.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Whittlesey, Goodell, Sleiter, Dominick, and Harklau. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2024-53: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING A POLICY GOVERNING THE HUMBOLDT COMMUNITY CENTER.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Dominick, Harklau, and Whittlesey. Motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Dominick to approve entering into Closed Session to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent as per Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 (1) [c] at 6:15 PM.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Dominick, Harklau, Whittlesey, and Goodell. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve ending the Closed Session and going back into Open Session at 6:50 PM.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Dominick, Harklau, Whittlesey, Goodell, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

No action was taken after the closed session.

Motion by Harklau, Second by Whittlesey to schedule Monday, May 20, 2024 at 5:30 PM as the date and time for the next regular meeting of the Humboldt City Council and adjourn this session at 6:51 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

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Daniel E. Scholl, Mayor

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