

MINUTES OF THE MAY 7, 2018 MEETING OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 7, 2018 in the Council Chambers of the Humboldt Municipal Building. Mayor Daniel Scholl called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Council Members present: Sleiter, Vermeer, Worthington, and Whittlesey. Absent: Goodell.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Worthington to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the April 16, 2018 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 Liquor License, a Class B Wine Permit, and Sunday Sales Privilege for Cottonwood Trails, LLC, d/b/a AmericInn Humboldt; and 7) the renewal of a Class C Liquor License for Pasquale's Italian Restaurant, Inc.; and 7) the renewal of a Class E Liquor License, a Class C Beer Permit, a Class B Wine Permit, and Sunday Sales Privilege for Hy-Vee, Inc., d/b/a Hy-Vee Wine & Spirits. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

The new 2018 Pierce Enforcer Pumper Truck was on hand for the Council's inspection. Matt Newton of the Humboldt Fire Department demonstrated some its features and explained the capabilities of the new truck.

The Council discussed the possible acquisition of a parcel of land on which to construct an animal shelter. The parcel is located in an I-1 Industrial Zone, north of the NEW Cooperative Elevator on 1st Avenue North. The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors has pledged to pay half of the lot's total cost of \$8,500.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Worthington to approve a donation of \$4,250 to the Humboldt County Animal Control Officer for the purchase of a parcel of land on which an animal shelter will be located. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

The Council discussed the possible sale of some City-owned property adjacent to 1310 Riverview Circle to be used additional space for the construction of a large garage. The prospective buyer will need to have a survey done of the parcel, and provide a legal description prior to a public hearing. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with the sale of the property.

The Council discussed some projects to be included in a future bond issue, including Recreation Center Infrastructure, a Downtown Streetscape project, and a proposed housing development in the West River Acres area by the Humboldt County Housing Development Corporation.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Vermeer to approve a proposed borrowing of approximately \$2,800,000 to be allocated as follows: \$700,000 for Recreation Center Infrastructure; \$1,300,000 for a Downtown Streetscape project; and \$800,000 for infrastructure for a housing development by the Humboldt County Housing Development Corporation. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2018-19: "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY GOVERNING SNOWPLOWING AND ICE CONTROL ON PUBLIC STREETS IN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA."

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

Motion by Worthington, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2018-20: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET AMENDMENT ESTIMATE, DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PUBLISH THE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND SET MONDAY, MAY 21, 2018 AT 5:30 PM AS THE DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET AMENDMENT.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Vermeer, Worthington, Whittlesey, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Worthington to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2018-21: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA AND GROVE, CORINTH, BEAVER, WEAVER, AND RUTLAND TOWNSHIPS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018 UNTIL MIDNIGHT JUNE 30, 2021.”

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

Motion by Worthington, Second by Sleiter to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2018-22: “A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE CONSTRUCTION OF INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE HUMBOLDT RECREATION CENTER IN AND FOR THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATED COST, AND DIRECTING THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS.”

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

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Worthington to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2018-23: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF THE HUMBOLDT CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT RURAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANT PROGRAM REVOLVING LOAN FUND TO THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.”

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Vermeer to approve the final reading of the following proposed ordinance: “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STORM WATER SYSTEM UTILITY,” and to direct the City Clerk to publish the aforementioned ordinance as Ordinance No. 2018-05.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Vermeer, Worthington, Whittlesey, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Worthington to approve the first reading of the following proposed ordinance: “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 41, SECTION 12 PERTAINING TO FIREWORKS.”

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

No action was taken on the following proposed ordinance, pending a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission: “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF

ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 165,
SECTION 14 PERTAINING TO USES IN THE I-1 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.”

Other Items Discussed – City Administrator: Reported on some abuses by a few residents during the junk cleanup. He cautioned that a few residents not following the rules could lead to the discontinuation of the program for everyone. Vermeer: Suggested a manned drop-off location for junk periodically so residents aren’t having to save their larger items for an entire year.

Motion by Worthington, Second by Sleiter to schedule Monday, May 21, 2018 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 6:41 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Daniel E. Scholl, Mayor

Attest: _____
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk