

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2, 2023 MEETING OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 2, 2023 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, Dominick, Harklau, and Whittlesey. Absent: Sleiter.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Dominick to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the September 18, 2023 regular Council meeting; 3) the September claims; and 4) the September Investment Report. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

The City Administrator (present via Teams electronic meeting) reviewed his Council Report.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to authorize the Mayor to sign a Letter of Intent with Paul Butterfield for the redevelopment of the former Humboldt North Care Center building. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Harklau to approve the sale of a 2007 Chevy Silverado 2500 HD Street Department truck to the City of Sac City for \$8,000.00. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

The Council discussed the proposed burning of trees and brush cleared from the Reasoner Dam area. Since there is a burn date scheduled for October 21, the parties who cleared the brush will be able to burn it at that time with no additional action needed from the Council. The Fire Department will be available to ensure that the fire stays under control.

The Council discussed the proposed sale of a parcel of land near the Willow Ridge development. Nick Johnson submitted an offer to purchase the parcel, which was accepted by the Council on July 17, 2023 (Resolution No. 2023-59). Mr. Johnson has rescinded that offer and would like to lease the land instead. The Council authorized staff to advertise for proposals to lease the property.

Motion by Harklau, Second by Dominick 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 PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO FISCAL MANAGEMENT.”

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

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings of the aforementioned ordinance and to direct the City Clerk to publish it as Ordinance No. 2023-09.

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

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey 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 PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO LIQUOR LICENSES AND CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO PERMITS.”

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

Motion by Harklau, Second by Whittlesey to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings of the aforementioned ordinance and to direct the City Clerk to publish it as Ordinance No. 2023-10.

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

Other Items Discussed: City Clerk – Reminded the Council of the upcoming burn dates (October 21 and November 4 & 18), and the October 9 brush pickup date. Whittlesey – Asked about the timeline for the Sumner Avenue project.

Motion by Harklau, Second by Whittlesey to schedule Monday, October 16, 2023 at 5:30 PM as the date and time for the next regular meeting of the Humboldt City Council and adjourn this session at 6:06 PM. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Daniel E. Scholl, Mayor

Attest: _____
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk