

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 16, 2023 MEETING
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL**

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 16, 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, Sleiter, Dominick, Harklau, and Whittlesey.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Sleiter to approve the following Consent Agenda items: the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the October 2, 2023 regular Council meeting; and 3) the September Treasurer's Report. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

The City Administrator reviewed his Council Report.

Fire Chief Jim Gronbach introduced Nicholas Hamand and Matthew Paeper to the Council as prospective volunteer firefighters.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the appointment of Nicholas Hamand as a Volunteer Firefighter. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Whittlesey to approve the appointment of Matthew Paeper as a Volunteer Firefighter. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Harklau to rescind Resolution No. 2023-59: "A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AN OFFER TO PURCHASE A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA," which was approved by the City Council on July 17, 2023. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Harklau, Second by Whittlesey to approve the Street Finance Report for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey, to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2023-83: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 5 WITH PETERSON CONSTRUCTION OF WEBSTER CITY, IOWA FOR THE RAW PUMPING AND NUTRIENT REMOVAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO REVISE THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION DATE."

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2023-84: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY APPLICATION NO. 13 WITH PETERSON CONSTRUCTION OF WEBSTER CITY, IOWA FOR THE RAW PUMPING AND NUTRIENT REMOVAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$104,500.00."

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Dominick to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2023-85: "A RESOLUTION PROPOSING THE CONVEYANCE BY SALE OF A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT AND SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON."

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

Motion by Goodell, Second by Harklau to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2023-86: “A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE THREE RIVERS INDUSTRIAL PARK, PHASE 1, IN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA, SETTING 5:30 PM ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023 AS THE TIME AND DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, PROPOSED FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATED COST, AND THE TAKING OF BIDS FOR SUCH IMPROVEMENTS.”

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

Motion by Goodell, Second by Dominick to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2023-87: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET TRANSFERS.”

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

Motion by Harklau, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2023-88: “A RESOLUTION PROPOSING A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT AND SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON.”

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

Motion by Harklau, Second by Dominick to approve entering into Closed Session to discuss personnel issues as requested by the employee as per Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 (1) [i] at 6:01 PM.

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

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey to approve ending the Closed Session and going back into Open Session at 6:27 PM.

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

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey, to approve a four-year employment agreement with Cole Bockelmann as City Administrator, effective October 16, 2023.

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

Motion by Harklau, Second by Whittlesey, to schedule Monday, November 6, 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 6:29 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Daniel E. Scholl, Mayor

Attest: _____
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk