

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 20, 2014 MEETING
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL**

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 20, 2014 in the Council Chambers of the Humboldt Municipal Building. Mayor Walter Jensen called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM. Council Members present: Goodell, Sleiter, Scholl, Rusher, and Davis.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Rusher to approve the agenda as printed. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Davis to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2014 Work Session and the October 6, 2014 regular Council Meeting with a minor correction noted by Councilmember Scholl. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the September Treasurer's Report. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Clint Fishel reviewed the PeopleService monthly report from September. He updated the Council on the progress of the Water Plant Renovation Project, the water tower maintenance and operations, the recent water main leak repairs, and work being done to comply with new DNR requirements for the wastewater treatment plant.

The Council discussed parking issues in the downtown area. A business owner on 3rd Street North has requested designated parking spaces for customers only near his business. The Council directed staff to establish a space for persons with disabilities on the north end of the row of diagonal spaces on the west side of the 010 block of 3rd Street North.

The second issue involves parking for residents in the apartments above the businesses in the 600 block of Sumner Avenue. Currently, overnight parking is not permitted on Sumner Avenue, and residents are having a difficult time finding places to park legally. The City Administrator proposed a parking permit system for a designated area which would allow 24/7 parking for permit holders. The permit holders would be responsible for keeping the area cleared of snow and ice in the winter. More time is needed to research possible locations for this parking area.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-117: "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AMENDED CAFETERIA PLAN INCLUDING A DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH CARE REIMBURSEMENT PLAN EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, Scholl, Rusher, and Davis. Motion carried.

Motion by Rusher, Second by Davis to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-118: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FROM GODBERSON-SMITH CONSTRUCTION COMPANY OF IDA GROVE, IOWA IN THE AMOUNT OF A NET INCREASE OF \$21,190.00 FOR THE SUMNER AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Scholl, Rusher, Davis, and Goodell. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Rusher to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-119: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 6 FROM GODBERSON-SMITH CONSTRUCTION COMPANY OF IDA GROVE, IOWA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$299,710.11 FOR THE SUMNER AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Scholl, Rusher, Davis, Goodell, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Rusher, Second by Davis to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-120: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT CREDIT CARD POLICY.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Rusher, Davis, Goodell, Sleiter, and Scholl. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Rusher to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-121: “A RESOLUTION AMENDING SECTION III OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT’S PERSONNEL POLICY CONCERNING PAY FOR EMPLOYEE TRANSFERS AND PROMOTIONS.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Davis, Goodell, Sleiter, Scholl, and Rusher. Motion carried.

Other Items Discussed: City Administrator – Updated the Council on the Roadway Improvement Project. There are problems with dust and excess rock from the sealcoating, and the concrete work on the intersections which has been started needs to be finished. There also appears to be a “wash-boarding” issue on some of the streets which have been sealcoated. He also announced that the police officer candidate testing is complete, and interviews will be set up soon. City Clerk – Reminded the Council of the upcoming brush pickup and burn dates. Scholl – Recognized the anniversary dates for several City employees.

Motion by Rusher, Second by Goodell to schedule Monday, November 3, 2014 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 6:33 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Walter Jensen, Mayor

Attest: _____
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk