

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 18, 2019 MEETING OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 18, 2019 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, and Whittlesey. Absent: Worthington.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Sleiter to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the November 4, 2019 regular Council meeting; 3) the October Treasurer's Report; and 4) the renewal of a Class C Liquor License and Sunday Sales Privilege for Jaqueline Sturtz, d/b/a Sundance Lanes. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

AJ Flurey of PeopleService, Inc. reviewed the September PeopleService reports. He updated the Council on current and upcoming repairs and maintenance issues for the water and wastewater treatment systems.

The Council discussed various options available to address the recent dissolution of the Humboldt-Dakota City Chamber of Commerce. No formal action was taken.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Dominick to approve a new 12-month Class C Beer Permit and Sunday Sales Privilege for Kimmes Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Kimmes Country Store #14. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey to approve a new retail cigarette/tobacco/nicotine/vapor permit for Kimmes Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Kimmes Country Store #14. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Dominick to approve a contract with John Sleiter to operate the snow removal equipment at the Humboldt Municipal Airport at a rate of \$12.00 per hour for the 2019-2020 season. (3) Ayes, (1) abstention (Sleiter), motion carried.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Sleiter to approve a quote from Berte & Son Ltd. for the construction of sidewalks in and around Taft Park. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve a bid from Professional Septic Services for nuisance snow and ice removal for the 2019-2020 season. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

The Council discussed a proposal from WoodRiver Energy to provide an alternate natural gas source. The City Administrator explained that this is a program for larger commercial users, and is projected to save the City at least \$2,000 per year in natural gas costs.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Dominick to accept a proposal from WoodRiver Energy to provide natural gas to City facilities. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

The Council discussed the issuance of a Request for Proposals for the sale of the property located at 30 Taft Street North (old post office site). The City is currently in the process of acquiring the property from its out-of-state owners.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the issuance of a Request for Proposals for the sale of the property located at 30 Taft Street North. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-127: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT MATCHING GRANT AWARDS AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE PAYMENT AS ESTABLISHED IN THE PROGRAM SUMMARIES FOR SMITH REAL ESTATE, INC.”

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Worthington to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-128: “A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC PURPOSE FOR CERTAIN PURCHASES.”

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

Other Items Discussed: City Administrator – Reminded the Council that the compost site is still open, and will stay open as long as weather permits. The clear bags will be picked up as long as the site is accessible. He also reminded the Council of the garbage collection schedule for the week of Thanksgiving. Finally, he reported on a meeting he facilitated with residents of the Wheatland Addition regarding incorrectly platted lots.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Goodell to schedule Monday, December 2, 2019 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 6:35 PM. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Daniel E. Scholl, Mayor

Attest: _____
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk