

**MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2, 2019 MEETING  
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL**

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 2, 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, Worthington, and Whittlesey.

Motion by Worthington, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the November 18, 2019 regular Council meeting; 3) the November Investment Report; 4) the November claims; and 5) a 5-Day Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales Privilege for the Humboldt County Memorial Hospital Foundation for its Founders' Night event on January 18, 2020 at the Humboldt County Fairgrounds; and 6) an ownership update for the Class C Beer Permit, Class B Wine Permit, Outdoor Service Privilege, and Sunday Sales Privilege for Hy-Vee, Inc., d/b/a Hy-Vee. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Fire Chief Jim Gronbach introduced Brannon Arends to the Council. Arends will replace Jeff Feaster on the Humboldt Fire Department.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Dominick to approve the appointment of Brannon Arends to the Humboldt Fire Department. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Worthington, Second by Whittlesey to approve a proposal from Alternative HRD, LLC to conduct a job review and wage study for the City of Humboldt. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to approve the payment of Invoice No. 63078 from Hydro-Klean for sanitary sewer slip lining in the amount of \$65,973.91. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Worthington to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-129: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT MATCHING GRANT AWARDS AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE PAYMENT AS ESTABLISHED IN THE PROGRAM SUMMARIES FOR RUSTIX RESTAURANT & RECEPTION."

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

Motion by Worthington, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-130: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT PAY ESTIMATE NO. 2 WITH SANDE CONSTRUCTION & SUPPLY CO. OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA FOR THE SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING PROJECT AT THE HUMBOLDT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$116,099.66."

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Whittlesey to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-131: "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE ATTACHED FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE HUMBOLDT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, THE AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM DATA SHEETS FOR POSSIBLE FY 2021-2025 FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION GRANTS, AND CERTIFYING

THAT THE REQUIRED LOCAL MATCH IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH PROGRAM AWARDED A GRANT.”

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

Motion by Goodell, Second by Dominick to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-132: “A RESOLUTION SETTING 5:30 PM ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019 AS THE TIME AND DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE DISPOSITION BY SALE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.”

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-133: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 4 WITH BLACKTOP SERVICE COMPANY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA FOR THE 2019 ROADWAY SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,980.00.”

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

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Worthington to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-134: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH REDING’S GRAVEL & EXCAVATING COMPANY OF ALGONA, IOWA IN THE AMOUNT OF A NET CONTRACT PRICE INCREASE OF \$3,207.50 FOR THE 2019 WATER VALVE AND HYDRANT REPLACEMENT PROJECT.”

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

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-135: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 3 WITH REDING’S GRAVEL & EXCAVATING COMPANY OF ALGONA, IOWA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,047.13 FOR THE 2019 WATER VALVE AND HYDRANT REPLACEMENT PROJECT.”

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Dominick to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2019-136: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 5 WITH SANDE CONSTRUCTION OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$109,544.26 FOR THE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT.”

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

Other Items Discussed: City Administrator – Announced that the first anniversary of the recreation center opening is December 3<sup>rd</sup>. He thanked everyone for making the first year a great success. He also announced a meeting on December 18<sup>th</sup> to address the dissolution of the Chamber of Commerce and explore the formation of a Community Betterment Group. Worthington – Reminded the Council of the upcoming Kiwanis Spaghetti Supper and the Christmasland hours.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Goodell 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 6:12 PM.

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

Motion by Worthington, Second by Dominick to approve ending the Closed Session and going back into Open Session at 7:10 PM.

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

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Goodell to approve the renewal of City Administrator Travis Goedken’s employment contract for a period of five (5) years with a severance payout for termination without cause of six (6) months’ salary. All other terms of the contract will remain the same.

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

Motion by Worthington, Second by Goodell to schedule Monday, December 16, 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 7:12 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

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Daniel E. Scholl, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk