

**MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2014 MEETING
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL**

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 15, 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, and Davis. Absent: Rusher.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to approve the agenda as printed. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Davis to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2014 regular Council Meeting. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Scholl to approve the November Treasurer's Report. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Clint Fishel reviewed the November PeopleService report. He provided updates on the water tower project and reported on main break and service line repairs. There are still a few leaks in the system which will be repaired as time and weather allow.

Jacob Place introduced himself to the Council as the prospective Parks Department Assistant.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the hiring of Jacob Place as Parks Department Assistant, effective December 22, 2014. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Davis to approve the transfer of Chris Gieber from the Parks Department to the Sanitation Department, effective December 22, 2014. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

The Council discussed the possibility that some City departments will be short-handed or closed on Friday, December 26th. Several employees have asked to use vacation leave to extend the holiday weekend. All essential services (garbage pickup, snow removal, police protection) will still be provided.

Alissa Reinholdt and Jim Vermeer provided a biennial report of the activities of the Humboldt County Development Association. The presentation included a budget request for \$40,000 in funding for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Scholl to approve an agreement for the production of a Community Showcase Video with CGI Communications, Inc. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Scholl to approve the renewal of a Class C Liquor License and Sunday Sales Privilege for Roger Sturtz, d/b/a Sundance Lanes. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Davis to approve a new 5-Day Class C Liquor License for St. Mary Church, effective March 28 – April 1, 2014 (March 28 Gala Event). (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Scholl, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-138: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE NO. 4 FROM HOVEY CONSTRUCTION, INC. OF FORT DODGE, IOWA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,953.62 FOR THE SUMNER AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT."

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

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-139: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT FROM CLAPSADDLE-GARBER ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE HUMBOLDT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AFOREMENTIONED AGREEMENT."

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

Motion by Goodell, Second by Scholl to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2014-140: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL AVIATION FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR THE HUMBOLDT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE PROJECT."

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

Other Items Discussed: City Administrator – Informed the Council of some technical problems with the Channel 12 equipment which will require the replacement of the main computer. He updated the Council on the status of the production and delivery of the new recycling truck, the ice skating rink project, police union negotiations, the Sumner Avenue Bridge and the replacement of the reed beds at the wastewater treatment plant. City Clerk – Reviewed the garbage collection schedule for the upcoming holidays. Scholl – Asked about the unfinished sidewalk replacement areas which he understood would be filled with sand for the winter. There is gravel spread on those areas instead, which could cause issues during snow removal. He also asked about the proposed MIDAS bus barn to be located within the fence at the new water tower.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Davis to schedule Monday, January 5, 2015 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 6:28 PM. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Walter Jensen, Mayor

Attest: _____
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk