

Sutherland, Iowa City Council Meeting – August 3, 2020 – 7:00 PM – 110 Ash Street – Meeting Room

Mayor Kay Gifford called to order the Public Hearing on the sale of City property to Doug Sweeney. Roll called showed Councilmembers present were Chase Cox, Johanna Homan, Jack Wallinga, Bruce Engelke, and Patrick Nelson. Others present were: David Becker, Sharon and Mike Flinders, Rich Schuknecht, Richard Radke, Nancy Hill, Connie Cody, Brant Ludwig, Dennis Fogelman, Anthony Larsen, and Amanda Vanderhoff. Officer Jami Webster was absent. There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. A motion was made by Wallinga seconded by Homan to adjourn from the public hearing. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Kay Gifford called the council meeting to order. Roll called showed Councilmembers present were Chase Cox, Johanna Homan, Jack Wallinga, Bruce Engelke, and Patrick Nelson. Others present were: David Becker, Sharon and Mike Flinders, Rich Schuknecht, Richard and Mary Radke, Nancy Hill, Connie Cody, Brant Ludwig, Dennis Fogelman, Anthony Larsen, and Amanda Vanderhoff. Officer Jami Webster was absent.

A motion was made by Wallinga, seconded by Cox to approve the agenda, previous minutes and clerk's report. Roll call: Ayes - Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

Guests were not present.

There were no public comments. Mayor Gifford mentioned that she will consider adding Zoom for future meetings if the numbers of Covid cases continue to rise.

Council reviewed the bills and asked a few questions. A motion was made Engelke, seconded by Wallinga to pay current bills. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

Economic Development report was given by Sharon Flinders. Sharon reported the MidAmerican bid for getting electricity out to Jordan Bird is just under \$9,500.00. Council will be given that information and make a decision at the September meeting. Economic Development plans on including this cost when they certify more TIF debt. A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Homan to approve a Store Front loan for In Style Salon. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

Library Report was given by Nancy Hill. A motion was made by Homan seconded by Engelke to approve Richard Radke as Library Board President. All were in favor. Motion carried. Nancy read through the Directors Report. She stated that things are going well since reopening. The election of officers for the Board of Trustees as follows: Richard Radke – President, Connie Cody – Vice President, and Tasha Hill – Treasurer. The Board completed their training for this fiscal year and is working on completing their CEUs. Nancy received her Public Library Director Certificate, she will need to complete 15 CEUs each year to maintain her status.

Chief Mark Shriver was not present to give the report. Mayor Gifford relayed they had 11 ambulance calls and 1 fire call. A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Homan to approve the Fire and Ambulance Department to work the gate at the Labor Day street dances but not check IDs. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Officer Jamie Webster was not present. Mayor Gifford read through her report. The weed and debris warning letters that were sent out have all been resolved. There was concern from council on the bushes

at the boulevard on Main Street obstructing traffic. Anthony will look into who takes care of the area and talk to them about trimming the bushes. There have been complaints on tree branches that are hanging over the roads, the branches are making it difficult for trucks to get through. Anthony talked to MidAmerican and they do not want to trim the branches. He will get some bids.

Communication and topics for discussion:

A motion was made by Nelson seconded by Cox to approve Resolution 2020-25: A Resolution to Approve the Credit Card Policy. Roll call: Ayes – Engelke, Wallinga, Nelson, Cox, and Homan. Motion carried

A motion was made by Cox seconded by Engelke to approve Resolution 2020-26: A Resolution Declaring the Need for a Housing Authority in the City of Sutherland and Resolution 2020-27: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Certain Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Purpose of Creating a Multi-County Housing Authority, there for appointing Stacey Ewoldt the City representative to the Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Authority. Roll call: Ayes – Homan, Nelson, Engelke, Cox, and Wallinga. Motion carried.

A motion was made Engelke seconded Wallinga to approve Resolution 2020-28: A Resolution of the City of Sutherland to Cancel Special Tax Assessment 7012006 for 515 Pine St., Sutherland, IA 51058. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Homan to approve Resolution 2020-29: A Resolution to have the City of Sutherland, IA Refuse to Pay Back Taxes on 515 Pine St., Sutherland, IA 51058. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Wallinga to approve Resolution 2020-30: A Resolution Directing Sale & Authorizing the City of Sutherland to Enter into a Contract and Convey Real Estate Owned By the City of Sutherland. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Nelson to approve Resolution 2020-31: A Resolution Approving Executed Contract and Special Warranty Deed. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Cox to approve Resolution 2020-32: Resolution providing for reduction of interest rate on Sewer Revenue Bond. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Nelson seconded by Cox to approve Resolution 2020-33: Resolution Adopting and Approving Tax Compliance Procedures Relating to Tax-Exempt Bonds. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Cox to set the September council meeting to Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Homan seconded by Nelson to approve investing \$470.00 to Upper Des Moines. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Wallinga seconded by Engelke to approve the Outstanding Debt Report. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

Anthony Larsen will be in contact with the Zoning Board to schedule a meeting. They will discuss updating zoning ordinances. The Clerk will look into zoning classes.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Cox to approve the Invitation to Bidders and set the date to open sealed bids on October 5, 2020. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

A motion was by Cox seconded by Homan to approve the street closures and street light shut offs during the street dances for Labor Day weekend. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Nelson seconded by Wallinga to approve the outdoor liquor licenses for Sweeney's Clubhouse and Rumors on Main. All in favor. Motion carried.

The City can allow camping at the football. The Mayor will get ahold of SAUL with the guidelines council would like them to follow.

Standing Committee Reports:

Water: 2,143,000 gallons in at the tower. Council would like Anthony to get some bids for needed repairs on 5 water valves.

Streets: Anthony will get the streets painted before Labor Day weekend.

Sanitation (sewer): 3,174,000 gallons to the ponds

Town Property: The City will take over storage of the antique fire truck if needed.

Park: A motion was made by Cox seconded by Wallinga to approve \$1,250.00 of park funds to build a winter shelter for the bus stop. Roll call: Ayes – Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried. Council discussed asking for volunteer help to build the shelter.

Weeds and Debris: Anthony will spray the weeds at the City owned lots and along the curbs.

Lights: There is a light out by the Willoway Complex. The Clerk will get ahold of MidAmerican.

Sanitary Landfill: no report.

A motion to adjourn was made by Engelke seconded by Homan. All in favor. Motion carried.

_____ Mayor Kay Gifford

_____ Amanda Vanderhoff, City Clerk

