

Sutherland, Iowa City Council Meeting – January 4, 2021 – 7:00 PM – 110 Ash Street – Meeting Room

Mayor Kay Gifford called the council meeting to order. Roll call showed council members present were: Chase Cox, Johanna Homan, Jack Wallinga, Bruce Engelke, and Patrick Nelson. Others present were Sharon Flinders, Mary Radke, John Putnam, Randy Paulson, Kaleigh Larsen, Anthony Larsen, and Amanda Vanderhoff.

A motion was made by Homan seconded by Cox to approve the agenda, previous minutes and clerk's report. All in favor. Motion carried.

John Putnam was present as a guest. John discussed with Council the possibility of converting the house on his property into garages. Council told John the Zoning Board will look into it and they asked if he would consider selling the property to help with the City's housing shortage.

No Public Comments.

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

Economic Development was unable to hold a December meeting because of weather. They will hold their next meeting on January 6, 2021.

Nancy Hill was absent. Mayor Kay Gifford read through the library report.

Chief Mark Shriver was absent. The City Clerk informed Council there was no fire calls and 3 ambulance calls. The Fire and Ambulance Department also held their elections: Chief – Mark Shriver, Asst. Chief – Todd Fuller, Secretary – Jeremy Burdt, and Ambulance Director – Landon Lenhart.

Officer Jami Webster was absent. Council was given her police report.

Communications and topics for discussion:

A motion was made by Nelson seconded by Homan to approve Resolution 2021-01: "Resolution Naming City Depositories". Roll Call: Ayes – Engelke, Nelson, Wallinga, Cox, and Homan. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Nelson to approve Resolution 2021-02: "Resolution Adopting Investment Policy". Roll Call: Ayes – Engelke, Nelson, Wallinga, Cox, and Homan. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Wallinga seconded by Cox to approve Resolution 2021-03: "Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk and Mayor to Pay Certain Claims Prior to Council Approval". Roll Call: Ayes – Engelke, Nelson, Wallinga, Cox, and Homan. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Homan to approve Resolution 2021-04: "Resolution Authorizing the Mayor, Mayor Pro-tem, and City Clerk to Execute Certain Financial Institution Documents". Roll Call: Ayes – Engelke, Nelson, Wallinga, Cox, and Homan. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Engelke seconded by Cox to approve Resolution 2021-05: "Resolution Setting the Time and Place for a Public Hearing for the Purpose of Considering the Maximum Tax Dollars from Certain Levies for the City's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget. Roll Call: Ayes – Engelke, Nelson, Wallinga, Cox, and Homan. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Homan seconded by Engelke to approve Resolution 2021-06: “Resolution Approving the Bell-Times-Courier as the Official Publication for the City of Sutherland. Roll Call: Ayes – Engelke, Nelson, Wallinga, Cox, and Homan. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Homan seconded by Engelke to approve the agreement of lease for the Saddle Club. Roll call: Ayes - Cox, Homan, Wallinga, Engelke, and Nelson. Motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports:

Water – 2,067,000 gallons. Anthony has received his Public Water Certificate, he is waiting for the DNR to open up testing for the sewer certificate.

Streets – The Clerk received a call about sidewalks not being scooped, stressing the ones closer to the park that children use to walk to the bus stop. Mayor Gifford would like Officer Webster to give out reminders to residents.

Sanitation (sewer) – 2,874,000 million gallons to the ponds.

Park – Mayor Gifford asked Johanna Homan to call other Park Board members to see if they can participate in the Budget Workshop.

Weeds and Debris – Mayor Gifford will meet with the Weed and Debris Committee to discuss a few issues in town.

Lights – Clerk will get ahold of MidAmerican to see about installing a street light on Waterman and HWY 10.

Sanitary Service (garbage) – Tony will pick up Christmas trees and take them to the tree dump for residents.

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

_____ Mayor Kay Gifford

_____ Amanda Vanderhoff City Clerk