

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, May 2, 2023

Mayor Messerli called the regular session of the Maquoketa City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. with five members present.

Present: Rickerl, Lyon, Collister, Ehlinger, Holm Absent: Simonson, Kuhlman

The group recited the pledge of allegiance.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving the agenda. Motion Carried 5-0

Koranda reviewed his monthly building department report. He stated he has been working on building permits, property maintenance and changes to the zoning ordinance.

Motion by Holm, seconded by Rickerl approving the consent agenda consisting of the April 17th minutes, bills in the amount of \$75,309, renewal special class "E" retail alcohol license filed by Hy-Vee Dollar Fresh, new class "C" retail alcohol license filed by Maquoketa Speedway, LLC and appointment of Robert Fitzgerald to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor Messerli opened the public hearing regarding the sale of Airport property 3.59 acres. There were no written or verbal comments. Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm closing the public hearing.

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Rickerl approving Resolution No. 2023-51, entitled, "Resolution authorizing sale of property by bid process and authorizing invitation to bid (Airport property 3.59 acres).

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Ehlinger approving Resolution No. 2023-52, entitled, "Resolution declaring items as surplus equipment and authorizing sale."

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Holm approving Resolution No. 2023-53, entitled, "Resolution setting May 15th at 6:00 p.m. as public hearing date for the budget re-estimate for FY 22-23."

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm approving the first reading of Ordinance No. 1206, entitled, "An Ordinance amending title 5 additional height and area regulations, section 1L, Section 4 accessory buildings, area and location subsection 1, 4 and 6 of the Maquoketa Code of Ordinances".

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Rickerl, seconded by Ehlinger approving Resolution No. 2023-54, entitled, "Resolution recognizing the need for a City of Maquoketa Traffic Safety Action Plan and publicly

committing the City to the successful pursuit of zero roadway fatalities and a significant decline of serious injury accidents with a target completion date of June 30, 2027.”

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Rickerl approving Resolution No. 2023-55, entitled, “Resolution enlisting the Public Safety Committee and two resident volunteers, Paul Hahle and Katie Pauls, to form the City of Maquoketa Traffic Safety Action Plan Task Force to oversee a comprehensive study of high-risk traffic accident locations, monitor plan development, draft a formal Traffic Safety Action Plan recommendation to the City Council of the City of Maquoketa, implement the plan and monitor results on behalf of the City of Maquoketa.” Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Holm approving payment in the amount of \$18,514 to Ahlers Cooney for SRF WWTP. Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Rickerl approving Resolution No. 2023-56, entitled, “Resolution awarding construction bud to Maquoketa Municipal Electric Utility in the amount of \$52,317.87 for the South Main Lighting Project and approving 28E agreement between the City of Maquoketa and Jackson County for the purchase of street and trail lighting.”

Motion Carried 5-0

Boldt reported that staff has bid out mill and fill for priority groups 1 & 2 of the 10-year street plan. He stated Maple Street from the S curve east has been added to the quote. Council can approve the bid at \$427,914.42 which would include the east site of Maple but would require a budget amendment. Boldt also reported Council would wait until next year and use RPA funds to do Maple Street from the S curve east to Jacobson.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Ehlinger approving Resolution No. 2023-57, entitled, “Resolution awarding construction bid to River City Paving in the amount of \$316,168.92 for the 2023-2024 Mill & Fill Project.” Motion Carried 4-1 Nay: Collister

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Holm approving Resolution No. 2023-58, entitled, “Resolution waiving competitive bidding and purchasing street light replacements through Maquoketa Municipal Electric Utility.” Motion Carried 5-0

Discussion was held regarding the property enforcement ordinance. This would change the 30 day trigger to increase the fine to \$90 to a flat rate of \$60.00. Zeimet stated he would like to add littering to the ticket so that it could address items at the curb.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon tabling ordinance amending title 3 community protection, chapter 21, section 5 administrative property enforcement of the Maquoketa Code of Ordinance. Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm tabling ordinance amending title 3 community protection, chapter 20, section 5 administrative traffic enforcement of the Maquoketa Code of Ordinances. Motion Carried 5-0

Boldt reported that the final Platt Street punch list is expected by May 15th. He reminded everyone of Spring Clean Up on May 6th at 7:30 a.m. at Horseshoe Pond.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Rickerl adjourning at 6:45 p.m. All Ayes

Tom Messerli, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joshua Boldt, City Manager