

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Mayor Messerli called the regular session of the Maquoketa City Council to order with four members present.

Present: Rickerl, Lyon, Collister, Ehlinger

Absent: Simonson, Kuhlman, Holm

The group recited the pledge of allegiance.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister approving the agenda. Motion Carried 4-0

Lori Roling talked about the Jackson County Comprehensive Plan. Roling stated that the County is working hard to get information out to the public about the Comprehensive Plan. Roling handed out business cards with the survey link information and Roling left paper copies of the survey. Messerli asked if there was a due date for the surveys and Roling stated that it will go through the end of December. Roling stated that the goal is to get 10% of surveys back, which is around 800 households. Boldt commented that he had completed the survey and it took him about 15 minutes to complete.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Rickerl approving the consent agenda consisting of August 21<sup>st</sup> minutes, bills payable through September 5, 2023 in the amount of \$61,336.21, July financial reports, renewal class "c" retail alcohol license filed by Copper Cardinal, and class "c" retail alcohol license filed by Maquoketa Brewing. Motion Carried 4-0

Boldt reported that the Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance will not be altered for the Jackson County Fair Association due to the Iowa State Code 174.3, which is clear on exempting fair property events from the City or State regulations.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving the second reading of Ordinance No. 1209, entitled, "An Ordinance amending the City of Maquoketa Code of Ordinances, by adopting Title II, Community Protection Subchapter 7b, "Mobile Food Vendors" of the City Code of Ordinances." Motion Carried 4-0

Bret Sievertsen discussed an event application for the Iowa Dirt Nationals. Sievertsen stated that he works with Jackson County and it has the potential to be a large attraction for Maquoketa. The event application is asking for approval to operate on Thursday, October 19 (practice) from 6-9PM, Friday, October 20 (race) from 4-11:30PM, and Saturday, October 21 (race) from 4-11:30PM. Sievertsen is anticipating 150. Ehlinger stated that this would be a good thing for the community and it's only a one-time event.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving event application filed by Iowa Dirt Nationals. Motion Carried 4-0

Boldt opened up discussion and a motion to approve the yearly contract for ADA Sidewalk repairs. Valentine Construction won the bid at \$11,306.00. The City has \$9,000 budgeted for fiscal year 2023-2024. The City will need to do a budget amendment for fiscal year 2023-2024 to accommodate the cost of this project. Collister asked if we can get that grade if we go back? Ellenz stated that as long as we go back 16 feet we can go back at any slope.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Rickerl approving Resolution No. 2023-101, entitled, "Resolution award contract to Valentine Construction in the amount of \$11,306.00 for ADA Sidewalk repairs at Erie/Vermont"

Motion Carried 4-0

Boldt open up discussion on 28E Agreement with Jackson County for South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Parking Lot Project and Burlingame Security Fencing. Boldt stated that the improvement for the parking lot adds 2 ADA spaces and increases overall parking by 3 stalls. Boldt stated that the City wants to equally split responsible costs to City and the County for seal coating. Boldt stated that the City's portion of the parking lot would be \$7,176.20 paid out of Administrative Capital Improvement Plan. Boldt stated the City wants to add security fencing at Burlingame so vehicles cannot access the park and fairgrounds property. Boldt stated that Public Works would install the fencing.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister approving 28E Agreement with Jackson County for South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Parking Lot Project and Burlingame Security Fencing.

Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon going in to closed session at 6:22 p.m. under Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) regarding potential litigation.

Motion Carried 4-0

Open session resumed at 6:57 p.m.

Boldt reported that the if you would like to run for City Council, please do so as he would like to see new people. The YMCA is having an open house on September 14<sup>th</sup> from 5-7PM. Maquoketa's High School football team is off to a great start with two wins!

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Holm adjourning at 6:58 p.m.

All Ayes

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Tom Messerli, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Joshua Boldt, City Manager