

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, September 18, 2023

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

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

The group recited the pledge of allegiance.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm approving the agenda. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Rickerl approving the consent agenda consisting of September 5th minutes, bills in the amount \$219,711.46, August financial reports, Mayoral appointment of Ashley River to the Tree Board. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Ehlinger approving the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 1209, entitled, "Ordinance amending 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 6-1 Nay: Kuhlman

Motion by Collister, seconded Holm approving Resolution No. 2023-102, entitled, "Resolution amending Employee Handbook Section 10.1 Designated Holidays". Motion Carried 7-0

Boldt reported that Public Works has \$59,800 in the RUT CIP for the purchase of Bobcat. Roeder Brother's Inc. was low bidder.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Rickerl approving Resolution No. 2023-103, entitled, "Resolution authorizing purchase of 2023 Bobcat T76 Compact Rack Loader in the amount of \$52,087.14 from Roeder Brother's Inc." Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Simonson, seconded by Rickerl approving Resolution No. 2023-104, entitled, "Resolution authorizing CDBG-WWTF Contract #21-WS-004 extension letter request." Motion Carried 7-0

Schwoob reported that the grinder at the Northwest lift station went down. This is the largest lift station in town and the parts cannot be purchased elsewhere.

Collister questioned how long it had been down and Schwob reported one year.

Collister questioned why it had not been fixed in the last year and Schwob was not sure but maybe not enough money in the CIP.

Simonson stated this should not have been broken for a year. Money should have been found to fix it.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Ehlinger approving Resolution No. 2023-105, entitled, "Resolution authorizing Electric Pump to repair the Northwest lift station grinder in the amount of \$14,775.50. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm authorizing final payment to Giese Sheet Metal in the amount of \$138,868 for the YMCA CDBG Project. Motion Carried 7-0

Boldt reported that he believes that when the last wastewater plant project was done that concrete fill was put where a wastewater basin needs to be. The estimated cost is between \$50,000 and \$100,000. Council can approve an open-ended option or delay making a motion and staff can schedule a special meeting once the amount is known.

Ellenz stated he cannot see this hitting \$100,000.

Kuhlman stated he would like more information. Council needs to watch the costs of this project.

Lyon questioned where the funding would come from and Boldt replied it will be a draw from the loan.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon authorizing not to exceed \$100,000 for the excavation of additional ground and other materials on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project. Motion Carried 7-0

Boldt reported that Maqtoberfest was a success. He also reported that he is working on change order #15 for the Platt Street Project and may call a special meeting once the change order is submitted.

Ellenz reported that River City Paving should be here on Thursday to patch the street at Summit and Forrest Drive. Alleys will be done at the end of the week.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Kuhlman adjourning at 6:20 p.m. All Ayes

Tom Messerli, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joshua Boldt, City Manager