

CITY OF OKOBOJI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 9th, 2017

PRESIDING: Mayor VanderWoude

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Julie Andres, Jim Delperdang, Walter Mendenhall

COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT: Jim Hentges, Jerry Robinson

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrew Fisher, Todd Abrahamson, Rebecca Gisel, Brent Harris, Jessica Harris, Phil Petersen, Deb Keuek, Sharlene Eckard, Russ Eckard, Molly Scott, David Scott, Brad Beck, Jason Petersen, and Jason Peters

After the Pledge of Allegiance the Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00P.M. Andres/Mendenhall moved to adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Mendenhall/Andres moved to approve the consent agenda, which included minutes of the previous meetings 04/11/2017 & 04/26/2017, Claims for May 2017, Bank Cash Report for April 2017, Renewal of a Renewal of a Class C Liquor License (LC) (Commercial) Catering Privilege and Sunday Sales for O'Farrell Sisters. All Ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZENS APPEARANCES

Phil Petersen thanked the City for a great job of keeping the streets plowed this winter and thanked the police and fire for all their great work. Mr. Petersen also thanked the City Engineer for providing the citizens with information regarding the Dixon Beach Seawall. Mr. Petersen stated he looked forward to seeing how the City proceeds on this matter. Engineer Beck stated his office has discussed the manner with DNR and that there is not an official plan at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council to conduct a public hearing PUBLIC HEARING AND LETTING FOR 2017 CITY OF OKOBOJI GORDON DRIVE STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. Mayor VanderWoude opened the floor for questions or comments. Mr. Petersen inquired whether this project would take place by the walking bridge. Mayor VanderWoude stated that the project would involve this area. With no public comments received, public hearing was closed. Engineer Beck explained that the bids were opened on May 4th at 2:00 p.m. Engineer Beck stated that the low bidder was Rens Concrete out of Sioux City, Iowa. Engineer Beck said he had worked with them in the past and was happy with their work. Engineer Beck explained the items included in the bids. Engineer Beck's recommendation would be to award the Contract with Divisions I, II, and Alternative A.

Council to review and consider Resolution No. 17-12 "ADOPT PLAN SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATED COST." Delperdang/Mendenhall moved to approve Resolution No. 17-12 "ADOPT PLAN SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATED COST." Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to review and consider Resolution No. 17-13 "RESOLUTION APPROVING SELECTION OF LOW BIDDER." Delperdang/Mendenhall moved to approve Resolution No. 17-13 "RESOLUTION APPROVING SELECTION OF LOW BIDDER" with Alternative A. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Council to review and consider proposal from Certified Testing Services, Inc. to retain their firm to provide construction materials inspection and testing for the Sanborn Avenue hot asphalt mix

resurfacing project. Andres/Mendenhall moved to approve proposal from Certified Testing Services, Inc. to retain their firm to provide construction materials inspection and testing for the Sanborn Avenue hot asphalt mix resurfacing project. Engineer Beck stated that they have used them in the past. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to review and consider proposal from Certified Testing Services, Inc. to retain their firm to provide construction materials inspection and testing for the Gordon Drive Street reconstruction project. Mendenhall/Delperdang moved to approve proposal from Certified Testing Services, Inc. to retain their firm to provide construction materials inspection and testing for the Gordon Drive Street reconstruction project. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a resolution considering vacation of easements on Gordon Drive and referring to Planning and Zoning for review and recommendation as required by City Ordinance, and set date for the Public Hearing to approve vacation/conveyance of said easements. Delperdang/Andres moved to approve Resolution to be numbered 17-16 a resolution considering vacation of easements on Gordon Drive and referring to Planning and Zoning for review and recommendation as required by City Ordinance, and set date for the Public Hearing to approve vacation/conveyance of said easements. Engineer Beck explained that this request was being made to “clean up” some of the easements in the area of Gordon Drive and that they have been in contact with the parties involved. All ayes. Motion carried.

Todd A. Abrahamson, Okoboji School District, to inform Council regarding upcoming demographics study. Mr. Abrahamson stated that the district is conducting a district-wide analysis and an enrollment and demographics study, as a part of its Pioneering Pathways For Every Student campaign. Mr. Abrahamson has inquired as to whether there is any information the City would like to see gathered as a part of the before mentioned study. A discussion between the Council and Mr. Abrahamson took place regarding the study. No action taken, information only.

Rebecca Gisel, Alliant Energy, to give annual partnership assessment. Ms. Gisell presented Alliant’s Annual Partnership Assessment Report. This report included money invested in the community and information regarding grants/rebates available from Alliant Energy. No action taken, information only.

Andrew Fisher, Bedell Family YMCA, to give update on YMCA operations. Mr. Fisher thanked the Council for its support and gave an update on the current administration of the YMCA and the future plans from the YMCA. No action taken, information only.

Council to consider a new 6 month Class BW Beer/Wine License for Okoboji Summer Theatre with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales. Mayor VanderWoude moved item up in the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Andres/Mendenhall moved to approve a new 6 month Class BW Beer/Wine License for Okoboji Summer Theatre with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a new 12 month Class C Liquor License for the Outrigger with Sunday Sales. Mayor VanderWoude moved item up in the agenda. Mayor VanderWoude explained that the City had received notification from the State that the application was ready for local endorsement. Andres/Mendenhall moved to approve a new 12 month Class C Liquor License for the Outrigger with Sunday Sales. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to discuss possible amendment to Code of Ordinances to require pets to be on leashes within City Limits. Mayor VanderWoude explained that they had received a correspondence from Sharlene Eckard regarding the requiring pets to be on leashes within City Limits. Sharlene Eckard explained her concern over the City not have a leash requirement. Administrator Peters stated that he has received several phone calls in favor of requiring pets to be leashes. Administrator Peters stated that he has done research on leash laws in other cities in Iowa and has provided the Council with a sample of

what the language in an ordinance might look like. Delperdang inquired to as what action could be taken tonight. Administrator Peters stated that this item was just informational at this time. Delperdang stated it would be a good idea to put this item on a future agenda so that they could get more feedback. A discussion between the Council and audience took place regarding requiring pets to be on leashes. Informational only, no action taken.

Council to review and consider funding request from the Dickinson County Emergency

Management Committee. Delperdang explained that this Committee is funded by per capita basis and the history behind the purchase of the drone. Delperdang explained that this request was to pay for an infrared camera. Delperdang explained that the Committee would normally carry the cost over and raise the per capita charge next year, but the decision was made to try to fund raise for this camera now. Delperdang stated that the timing was bad due to our budget and there may be other fund raising options available. Mayor VanderWoude stated that we should keep this in mind when the Budget is created next year. Delperdang/Andres moved to deny funding request from the Dickinson County Emergency Management Committee. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to review and consider Resolution No. 17-14 “Resolution Appointing Bankers Trust Company of Des Moines, Iowa, to serve as Paying Agent, Note Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent and Note Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of the Agreement,” in regards to \$1,632,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Note, Series 2017. Mayor VanderWoude explained that resolution 17-14 and 17-15 were to help finalize the City’s bond issue. Mendenhall/Andres moved to approve Resolution No. 17-14 “Resolution Appointing Bankers Trust Company of Des Moines, Iowa, to serve as Paying Agent, Note Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent and Note Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of the Agreement,” in regards to \$1,632,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Note, Series 2017. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to review and consider Resolution No. 17-15 “Resolution approving and authorizing a form of Loan Agreement and authorizing and providing for the issuance of \$1,632,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Note, Series 2017, and levying a tax to pay said Notes; Approval of the Tax Exemption Certificate.” Delperdang/Mendenhall moved to approve Resolution No. 17-15 “Resolution approving and authorizing a form of Loan Agreement and authorizing and providing for the issuance of \$1,632,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Note, Series 2017, and levying a tax to pay said Notes; Approval of the Tax Exemption Certificate.” Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to review and consider bids for NAS computer drive system for Police Department. Chief Petersen stated that overall his budget was on track for the year but this item was not include in his budget. A discussion took place between the Council and Chief Petersen regarding the necessity for the NAS computer system. Chief Petersen stated that the department’s current computer systems were not large enough to store all the electronic evidence the department collects. Andres/Delperdang moved to approve bid from FEARCS, LLC to purchase a NAS computer drive system for Police Department. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to review and consider First Amendment of FY2016/17 City Budget and set date for the Public Hearing to adopt the same. Mayor VanderWoude stated that the proposed date was May 30th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Mendenhall/Andres moved to First Amendment of FY2016/17 City Budget and set date for the Public Hearing on May 30th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to adopt the same. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Police report: Chief Petersen stated since the shooting incident in Milford, the tactical team has been called out two additional times. Chief Petersen gave an additional update regarding the officer involved shooting in Milford.

Administrator report: Administrator Peters stated that the Fireworks bill was signed by the Governor and that a Planning and Zoning meeting would be scheduled to make recommendation to the Council regarding a text amendment to the zoning code to address the sale of fireworks.

Expenditures for the month of April 2017 are as follows: General Fund - \$261,960.48; Trust & Agency - \$0.00; Road Use Tax -\$17,055.36; TIF - \$0.00; Debt Service/Property Tax - \$0.00; Capital Projects - \$0.00; Water; \$16,820.85. Receipts for the same period were in the amount of \$599,570.35 creating a balance in all funds in the amount of \$2,568,286.98. \$274,609.52 of the reported amount is invested in Certificates of Deposit with United Community Bank.

Mayor VanderWoude entertained a motion to adjourn. Mendenhall/Andres moved to adjourn. All ayes. Mayor VanderWoude adjourned meeting at 7:14 P.M.

Mary VanderWoude, Mayor