

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, October 18, 2021

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

Present: Simonson, Lyon, Collister, Kuhlman, Holm

Absent: Woodward, Good

The group recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Holm approving the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, October 4th meeting minutes, bills, September financial reports, resignation by Joe Oclon from Property Maintenance Board, authorization to allow Mayor to sign 2021 CDBG Downtown Revitalization Award (21-DTR-003), New class "C" liquor license and Sunday sales filed by Happy Joes Pizza Maquoketa. Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor Schwenker asked if there was anyone in the audience to speak. Jane Drapeaux, Director of Hawkeye Area Community Action Program (HACAP) and Ronelle Clark also of HACAP in Jackson County, presented to the Council the mission and vision of the Agency. Drapeaux stated the various services being offered through HACAP. They include: health and nutrition, children meals and education, veterans housing and support, homelessness rehabilitation and energy conservation. The HACAP agency also provides water and wastewater assistance among many other services to residents.

Mayor Schwenker, on behalf of the Council thanked Drapeaux and Clark for the presentation on HACAP and all of the services they provide for the residents.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving Resolution No. 2021-67, entitled "Resolution (1) approving the minimum development requirements, competitive criteria, and procedures for disposition of certain property located within the Western Avenue Residential Urban Renewal Area; (2) determining that the proposal submitted by BSM2 Development, LLC satisfies the offering requirements and declaring the intent of the City to enter into a Development Agreement by and between the City of Maquoketa, Iowa and BSM2 Development, LLC in the event that no competing proposals are submitted; (3) ordering publication of a Notice of Competitive Bidding and soliciting competing proposals; and (4) fixing date for a public hearing on the proposal to enter into a Development Agreement with BSM2 Development, LLC". Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister approving Resolution No. 2021-68, entitled "Resolution setting dates of a consultation and a public hearing on a proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Western Avenue Residential Urban Renewal Plan in the City of Maquoketa, State of Iowa". Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Simonson, seconded by Holm approving Resolution No. 2021-69, entitled "Resolution approving and authorizing execution of an extension agreement by and among the City of Maquoketa, the County of Jackson, the Maquoketa Community

School District, and Eastern Iowa Community Colleges approving the extension of the division of tax revenue in the Western Avenue Residential Urban Renewal Area".

Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor Schwenker explained the incident regarding the emergency repairs to the water line on East Platt Street, stating there are approximately 200 feet of asbestos cement pipe that needs to be replaced. Dan Hintgen of WHKS presented to the Mayor and Council a map and an explanation of the plan to repair that area and to also loop the end of the water line at Fawn Brook Trailer Park to the end of the water line at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. The plan would also include a new fire hydrant, and a hook up to the DOT water line. Mayor Schwenker inquired as to the time this would all take. Mr. Hintgen stated it will depend upon the amount of rock in the area, but probably 2-4 weeks. Collister inquired the cost of the project. Mr. Hintgen stated that just to do the asbestos water line repair would be \$153,000, but to include the looping to the property on Jackson County Fairgrounds would be an additional \$100,000. Mayor Schwenker inquired as to where the funding would come from to pay for this project. Mallory Smith, Interim City Manager stated the funds would come from the City Reserve.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving a contract with WHKS Engineering to complete the replacement of the asbestos water line and looping project for \$253,000.

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Simonson, seconded by Collister approving payment in the amount of \$9,536.00 to Casel Construction for the 2021 Individual Sidewalk Repair Project.

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kuhlman approving payment in the amount of \$4,841.49 to WHKS for South Main Trail Project.

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kuhlman approving payment in the amount of \$64,233.13 to Origin Design for the Platt Street Project.

Motion Carried 4-1 Nay: Collister

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Simonson approving payment in the amount of \$2,000.25 to Origin Design for the Stormwater Levee Project.

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Simonson, seconded by Holm approving payment in the amount of \$635,367.30 to Tschiggfrie Excavating for the Platt Street Project.

Motion Carried 4-1 Nay: Collister

Motion by Holm, seconded by Simonson approving payment in the amount of \$43,720.47 to Manatts for the 2020 Street Repair and Maintenance Project.

Motion Carried 5-0

Kuhlman reported from the Public Works Committee that a bid had been received from Sheets Design Build LLC to repair the remaining three sides of the salt shed for an additional \$12,800.00. It was recommended by the Committee to have all four sides done at the same time.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm authorizing the repair of the remaining three sides of the salt shed by Sheets Design Build, LLC for an additional \$12,800.00.

Motion Carried 5-0

Collister reported from the Finance and Personnel Committee recommending a resolution to authorize the City Manager and Finance Clerk to make certain payments prior to Council approval. Holm inquired if this was for necessary bills to avoid late fees. Smith affirmed this and stated it also includes the spending limits.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister approving Resolution No. 2021-70, entitled "Resolution authorizing the City Manager and Finance Clerk to make certain payments prior to Council approval".

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kuhlman to proceed with the assessment center for three internal police chief applicants.

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Simonson, seconded by Lyon to interview the top six City Manager applicants and narrow it down to two or three for the final interviews on Thursday, October 21st at 3:00 pm.

Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor Schwenker reminded everyone the intersection of Western and West Platt Streets are now completely closed down for approximately two weeks. He added residents should not try to cut through businesses to avoid accidents and confusion, but to follow the detour signs. Mayor Schwenker stated Halloween in Maquoketa will be held on October 31st from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister adjourning at 6:40 p.m.

All Ayes

Don Schwenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mallory Smith, Interim City Manager