

CITY OF WEST OKOBOJI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
501 TERRACE PARK BLVD
MONDAY, July 10th, 2023 6:30 P.M.

PRESIDING: Mayor Craig Miner

COUNCILMEMBERS: Robert Hein, Darlene Powers, Mike Olson, Mike Paxton, Paul Sieh.

Absent, Derrick Miner Clerk/Admin

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Kass, Barry Paterson, Alan Mores, Randy & DeeDee Johnson, Cynthia Cook Pruitt, Paul Pruitt, Mary Cook, David Saggau, Paul Hoffman, Terri Batschelet, Eva Shine

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Miner called the meeting to order at 6:34 P.M. Powers/Hein moved to adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Powers/ Sieh moved to approve the treasurer's report, which included minutes of the previous meeting 0612/23, and the claims report for July 2023 and the Bank Cash Report for June 2023. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing to change **Ordinance Chapter 92:** Mayor Miner opened the public hearing at 6:36. Mayor Miner read the changes, stating the ordinance would change the End user fee to \$23.44, the consumption rate to 158.51 per 12,000 Gal per quarter, and over consumption to \$6.34 per 100 Gal. over 12,000 per quarter. He stated the increase was due to the increase in purchase rates. No public or written comments. Mayor Miner closed the public hearing at 6:38. Motion to approve first reading, Paxton/Olson. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried. Motion to waive second and third readings, Olson/Hein. Roll call, all ayes, Motion carried. Motion to adopt changes to **Ordinance Chapter 92**, Hein/Sieh. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried.

Public Hearing to change **Ordinance Chapter 122:** Mayor Miner opened the public hearing at 6:39. Mayor Miner read the changes, stating the ordinance would change the times from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, to 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, and change days from Monday-Saturday to Monday-Sunday. No written or oral comments. Mayor Miner closed the public hearing at 6:41. Motion to approve first reading, Paxton/Hein. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried. Motion to waive second and third readings, Olson/ Hein Roll call, all ayes, motion carried. Motion to adopt changes, Olson/Sieh. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried.

Council to consider **Resolution 2023-19** Approving Iowa Retail Permit for Cigarette/Tobacco/Vapor to Okoboji Gas Co Motion to accept Paxton/Hein. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried.

Council to consider **Resolution 2023-20** Approving Class E Liquor license for Okoboji Gas Co. Motion to accept, Paxton/Powers. Roll call all ayes, motion carried.

Council to consider **Resolution 2023-21** Authorizing boring for Barry Paterson on Okoboji Blvd. to draw lake water. Mr. Paterson had presented a letter authorizing lake water usage from the DNR, and presented insurance requirements. Motion to accept, Olson/Hein. Roll call all ayes, motion carried.

Council to consider adding electrical meter at owners expense to SW public access dock. Mr. Hoffman explained the electricity for the dock had fed off of the Johnson home and as the home was selling, they needed to provide a different source of electricity. Motion to allow, Paxton/Hein. All ayes, motion carried.

Council to consider ownership and replacement of steps at same access. Mr. Hoffman questioned who was responsible for upkeep of the steps leading to the access. Mayor Miner explained the steps were on city property. Motion to establish ownership and replacement/improvement of steps, Hein/Olson. All ayes, motion carried.

Council to consider garbage seasonal consideration. Councilperson Paxton read a letter from a resident for regular/dependable garbage. Mayor Miner gave floor to Cynthia Cook-Pruitt. Ms. Cook-Pruitt explained her family were seasonal resident's and would like to see garbage be seasonal and not be charged when they are away. She also stated the charges to garbage were possibly inaccurate and would like more transparency to charges. The council stated they thought the garbage budget, hours, Etc. were accurate but would review. Mayor Miner explained no other municipalities in Dickinson Co. had seasonal charges. No action taken.

Mayor Miner gave floor to Terri Batschelett. Ms. Batschelett explained the history of the Blue Star program, a program honoring veterans with a blue star plaque located within the city. She explained the goal was to have all cities in Dickinson County participate. The council agreed this would possibly be a great addition to the city. No action taken at this time.

Committee reports: Councilperson's Powers and Hein presented a list of items that needed addressing with the City Parks. The council suggested a parks committee meeting with the Public Works Director to address and correct concerns. Councilperson Sieh stated the contractor had started patching city roads.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Paterson asked if we could consider adding speed bumps near Given Ave and Okoboji Blvd.

A resident asked about the Terrace Park beach project, brief discussion that the bid packages were being finalized.

Motion to adjourn, Powers/Hein all ayes, motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:05
