

CITY OF WEST OKOBOJI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
501 TERRACE PARK BLVD
MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024 6:30 P.M.

PRESIDING: Mayor Craig Miner

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

ADMIN/CLERK/STAFF: Carol Chicoine

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Hallgren, Alan Mores, Tony Theelen, Bobbi Kostinec, Erin Reed, Scott Kass, Dick and Donna Mau, Jake Schoelerman, Shilo Brevick and Barry Patterson

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Miner called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Roll call was completed with quorum present. Motion Powers, second Paxton adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion Paxton, second Powers to approve consent agenda, which included minutes 6/10/24, claims and claims in vacation for July 2024, All Ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors:

Police Chief Shilo Brevik with the Milford Police Department gave an update and was available for any questions for the Council on the updated 285E Agreement for services. Chief Brevik said there have been ticketing for parking and requesting people to leave Terrace Park Beach due to it being closed due to safety reasons with the debris in the water and beach and the high water still. Motion Paxton, second Hein to approve **Resolution 2024-23** 28-E Law Enforcement Services Agreement with Milford, roll call, all ayes, motion carried. Erin Reed with Dickinson County Trails board gave update on process of the West O Bike Trail, engineering bid came in higher than thought from Beck other options were discussed. 28-E was presented for the joint project, motion Olson, second Paxton to approve **Resolution 2024-29** approving the 28-E Agreement with Dickinson County Trails, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried Tyler Lynn with Beck Engineering was not in attendance, but sent an update with progress, Steffes will be starting back on the beach in August and then back to the beach after Labor Day.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Patterson asked the council to have the police enforce the ordinance about licensed drivers should only be the ones driving golf carts, there have been quite a few younger drivers by themselves driving around. Administer Chicoine texted Chief Brevik and he said he will let all the force be informed that next morning. Tony Thelen and Alan Mores personally thanked the city and staff for all their help during the flooding and sandbagging that occurred at Jones Beach. From them and all of Jones Beach residents.

OLD BUSINESS

Addressed with Chief Brevick's report.

NEW BUSINESS

Council to consider **Resolution 2024-28** approving setting up fund 180 FEMA, to track all payments due to 2024 Flood damage and repair, motion Powers, second Hein, roll call, all ayes, motion carried. City Attorney Dave Stein joined meeting on the phone to discuss the possibility of adjusting the Lakeside Landscaping Ordinance so it does not disrupt the work on restoring the lakeshore bank. Administrator Chicoine, Zoning Advisor Hallgren, Mayor Miner, Stein, and Sieh will get together to review the Ordinance to see if there are any adjustments that can be made because of the flooding. Jake Schoelerman and Matt Hanson addressed his concerns about this will be a long process with the damage that has been done on Browns Bay and collapse of the lakeshore banks. Schoelerman approached the council asking for access on the east side of Terrace Park beach so that his barge can be loaded and unloaded quicker to clean up the debris in Browns Bay shoreline. Council agreed to allow an access point there for quicker access point for that area instead of the boat ramp in Emerson Bay for the contractors working in West Okoboji, with the condition that it is restored back to the original condition and the access point with have to end once Steffes is back working on that part of the beach, motion Olson, second Sieh on allowing temporary access, all ayes, motion carried. Discussion of the Nation Flood Plain Insurance Program was had, the City of West Okoboji does not belong to the programs, this is another item that Chicoine, Hallgren, and Stein will review and the Ordinance that goes with it and see if the city is wanting to adopt, there are benefits with the program with the possibility of state funding when natural disasters are declared along with federal funding.

Administrator Chicoine updated the council about the recent flooding and damage. There were over 15,000 sandbags that were made and places in Jones Beach, city was approved for permit for debris at city hall, working on hauling off all the debris, cleaning up trees, fixing roads, and then working on the Beach. At this time debris keeps washing up on beach and

there is debris buried in the sand. For a safety concern, Terrace Park Beach will be closed and possibly not reopen until after renovation is complete. Working on estimating costs for FEMA and applying for funding.

Committee report: None.

Council Report: Paul Sieh commented that he will discuss with Erin Reed that Kruse, Kate and Nelson have done some of the topographical work on the trail and that they may be able to give a lower quote for the trails.

Mayor Reports: Thank you to staff and community for coming together with the help with the flooding in the area.

City Administrator: Working on closing year end. Gathering information for FEMA, getting updated bids for repairs, received a thank you from Don Larson Family on Mr. Larson's passing. Mr. Larson was on the Planning and Zoning Board for the city for many years and enjoyed his involvement with the community. Bills will be delayed a little bit for the end of the quarter but will try to have out by end of the month. Working with KHI on life insurance quote so there is a one agent for all the city's benefits. Grant has been submitted for Titterington Park new playground, might have to look for donations for the project to install safe fall pad instead of rubber mulch.

Zoning Administrator: no new updates

Public Works: None

Motion to adjourn, Sieh, second Paxton, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM

Attest: Carol Chicoine, Administrator

Craig Miner, Mayor

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ALLIANT ENERGY	6/24 CITY ELECTRIC	1955.24
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	6/24 STATEMENT SUPPLIES	74.42
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	6/24 GAS	36.69
BLACKTOP SERVICE	SEAL COAT RIDGEVIEW	34,232.00
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC	6/24 SUPPLIES	642.82
ELAN FIANCIAL SERVICES	6/24 DUES, ADOBE, DROP BOX	196.84
CITY OF MILFORD	6/24 LAW ENFORCEMENT	1,675.00
CUTTING EDGE SALES & SERE	WEED EATER/TRIMMER/PADDLE	821.74
DAVE'S REPAIR, INC.	PLOW TRUCK ADJ BRAKES	149.35
DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	7/24 DENTAL/VISION	253.88
DICKINSON CO RECYC COMM	FY25 ASSESSMENT	3,330.00
DICKINSON COUNTY NEWS	6/24 LEGALS	135.3
DICKINSON CO REGIONAL COLL CEN	6/24 GREEN WASTE	465
EFTPS - 941	FED/FICA TAX	3,799.32
IOWA DEP OF REVENUE	5/24 WET TAX	82.29
IOWA DNR	FY25 WATER SUPPLY FEE	33.79
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	FY25 DUES	397
IOWA ONE CALL	5/24 LOCATES	25.2
IPERS	IPERS	2,604.80
LAKES AREA DOG PARK	FY25 CONTRIBUTION	500
LAKES NEWS SHOPPER	6/24 WANT ADS	140.4
MEDIACOM ILLC	7/15-8/14/24 INTERNET	215.38
MIDWEST CONCRETE	OKOBOJI BLVD LAKE STREET	32,292.00
MIKE OLSON	SAND BAGGING SUPPLIES	306.59
MILFORD MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	6/24 WATER	25,191.79
NEW COOPERATIVE INC	6/24 FUEL	951.55
NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE	7/24 LIFE INSURANCE	214.4
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	6/24 WATER TESTING	14.5
STEIN LAW OFFICE	6/24 LEGAL FEES	146.25

SUPERIOR EQUIPMENT	RENTAL MINI EX E45	2,495.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAXES	3,666.89
TRIPLE S SERVICE LLC	3 TREES KIRBY STREET	3,600.00
VISUAL EDGE IT	PAYMENT 5&6	217.08
VOLUNTARY ACTION	FY25 CONTRIBUTION	750
WASTE MANAGEMENT-LANDFILL	5 HAULS/23.64 TONS	3,493.57
WEDEKING PIT & PLANT, INC	SAND FOR SANDBAGGING	836.58
WELLMARK	7/24 HEALTH INS	3,026.65
Total Payroll Paid		12,997.03
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		141,966.34

Revenues June: General 12,521.22; Road Use 4,910.82; LOST 10,827.65; TIF 198.42; TIF AP 102.66; Cap Imp 4,021.82; Water 14,168.88; Garbage 6,076.67 Total 52,828.14.