

MINUTES OF THE FAIRFIELD CITY COUNCIL

January 11, 2021

The Fairfield City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Boyer presiding. Members present were: Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen, Anderson, Ham and Twohill. Absent: Flournoy.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Gandy, seconded by Twohill

AYES: Gandy, Twohill, Ham, Flournoy, Anderson, Halley and Rasmussen

**TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14,
2020 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

**TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 22, 2020 SPECIAL
PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,098.00.**

**TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 24, 2020 PAYROLL
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123,657.00.**

**TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 8, 2021 PAYROLL
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$132,219.63.**

**TO APPROVE USDA STEP I DEBT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$12,975.00.**

**TO APPROVE USDA WWTP DEBT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$77,295.00**

TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER FINANCE REPORT.

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3904 AUTHORIZING
FUND TRANSFERS.**

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE BEAUTIFICATION
COMMISSION MINUTES.**

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND
INCLUSION COMMITTEE MINUTES.**

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 16, 2020 AND
DECEMBER 21, 2020.**

**TO APPROVE A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ARANDAS
MEXICAN RESTAURANT.**

**TO APPROVE A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR
UNIVERSITY AMOCO.**

**TO APPROVE OPERATING CLAIMS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$716,223.30**

PUBLIC FORUM / APPEARANCES

Rachel Clark was not present to address Council.

RESOLUTIONS, ACTION ITEMS & ORDINANCES

Michael Fries of Klingner and Associates reviewed the future fire station site assessment with Council.

Moved by Gandy, seconded by Halley

AYES: Gandy, Halley, Anderson, Twohill, Rasmussen and Ham

**TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AND FURTHER
EXPLORE TWO SITES LOCATED AT 4TH
STREET & LOWE AVENUE AND THE
300 BLOCK OF W BRIGGS AVENUE FOR
THE FUTURE SITE OF THE FIRE STATION.**

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Halley

AYES: Anderson, Halley, Ham, Twohill, Gandy and Rasmussen

**TO ACCEPT THE 2021 IRS MILAGE
RATE AT 0.56 CENTS PER MILE.**

Moved by Halley, seconded by Anderson

AYES: Halley, Anderson, Rasmussen, Gandy, Ham and Twohill

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3905
APPROVING A TAX ABATEMENT
APPLICATION FOR 306 W BRIGGS
AVENUE (TIM'S HTG. & AIR CONDITIONING).**

Moved by Halley, seconded by Rasmussen

AYES: Halley, Rasmussen, Anderson, Ham, Gandy and Twohill

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3906
APPROVING A TAX ABATEMENT
APPLICATION FOR 504 S 3RD STREET
(EQUITY TRUST FBO).**

Mayor Boyer announced this was the date and time set for the public hearing on the matter of the proposed street reconstruction of Merrill and Carpenter Avenues. There were no written or verbal objections, so Mayor Boyer closed the public hearing.

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Halley

AYES: Anderson, Halley, Twohill, Ham, Gandy and Rasmussen

**TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED STREET
RECONSTRUCTION OF MERRILL AND
CARPENTER AVENUES.**

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Anderson, Gandy, Twohill, Rasmussen, Halley and Ham

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CARNEGIE
FOUNDATION TO APPLY FOR IOWA'S
RURAL HERITAGE REVITALIZATION
GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF
FAIRFIELD AND DESIGNATING THE CITY
ENGINEER AS THE PROJECT MANAGER
FOR THE GRANT.**

Moved by Twohill, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Twohill, Gandy, Anderson, Rasmussen, Halley and Ham

**TO APPROVE THE BRIDGE INSPECTION
AGREEMENT WITH CALHOUN-BURNS
AND ASSOCIATES, INC.**

Moved by Gandy, seconded by Ham

AYES: Gandy, Ham, Anderson, Twohill, Halley and Rasmussen

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3907
AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT AREA
RENEGOTIATION UNDER ICA 6B.52**

**FOR 200 FOREST DRIVE (KORICA) FOR
THE STEP 2 SANITARY SEWER PROJECT.**

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Twohill

AYES: Anderson, Twohill, Gandy, Rasmussen, Halley and Ham

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3908
AUTHORIZING ENGAGEMENT LETTER
FOR LEGAL SERVICES PERTAINING TO
THE HIGHWAY 1 WIDENING / ROUNDABOUT
PROJECT.**

Moved by Twohill, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Twohill, Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen, Anderson and Ham

**TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1195 THROUGH THE SECOND
READING PROVIDING THAT GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES
LEVIED AND COLLECTED EACH YEAR ON CERTAIN PROPERTY
LOCATED WITHIN THE LINCOLN AVENUE URBAN RENEWAL
AREA, IN THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD, COUNTY OF JEFFERSON,
STATE OF IOWA, BY AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
STATE OF IOWA, CITY OF FAIRFIELD, COUNTY OF JEFFERSON,
FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND OTHER TAXING
DISTRICTS, BE PAID TO A SPECIAL FUND FOR PAYMENT
OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON LOANS, MONIES
ADVANCED TO AND INDEBTEDNESS, INCLUDING BONDS
ISSUED OR BE ISSUED, INCURRED BY THE CITY IN
CONNECTION WITH THE LINCOLN AVENUE URBAN
RENEWAL AREA (2020 PARCELS).**

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Twohill

AYES: Anderson, Twohill, Gandy, Rasmussen, Halley and Ham

**TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1196 THROUGH
THE FIRST READING AMENDING FAIRFIELD
MUNICIPAL CODES 20.08 AND 20.34 GENERAL
AND MANUFACTURED HOME RESIDENCE
DISTRICT.**

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Boyer asked for Council approval to re-appoint the following:

Animal Control Board – Cory Klehm
Civic Center Board- Sally Johnston
CVB Board – Dan Johnson
Carnegie Museum Board – Dave Neff and Joe Hunt
Public Access T.V. Board - Werner Elkmer

Moved by Twohill, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Twohill, Gandy, Ham, Rasmussen, Halley and Anderson

**TO APPROVE THE RE-APPOINTMENTS OF
CORY KLEHM, SALLY JOHNSTON, DAN
JOHNSON, DAVE NEFF, JOE HUNT
AND WERNER ELKMER AS LISTED.**

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney John Morrissey commended Mayor and the Chief of Police on their townhall zoom session.

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

Beautification Commission Co-Chair Sue Gail presented the annual report.

ADMINISTRATOR & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Administrator Aaron Kooiker stated City Hall would be re-opened to the public for daily business. He also announced the upcoming Emergency Management meeting regarding sharing expenses of the current County-wide dispatch services.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Twohill, seconded by Ham

AYES: Twohill, Ham, Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen and Anderson

TO ADJOURN AT 8:39 P.M.

Submitted by:

Rebekah Loper
City Clerk