



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Monday, May 22, 2023 at 7:00 PM

City Hall

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mayor Linnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Flag Salute

3. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Troy Linnell

Council Member Brenna Franco

Council Member Gordon Cook

Council Member Timothy Fairley

Council Member Lynda Osborn

Council Member William Thomas

Staff Present - Russ Avery, Public Works Director and Jessica Griess, City Clerk

4. Presentation

A. Cities and Schools Presentation

George Frasier and Tsai-En Cheng from Green River Community College presented on the transition to the Automotive program for high schoolers. The Council agreed to contribute \$2,000 to the program.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Thomas, Seconded by Council Member Fairley.
Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley,
Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

6. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Thomas, Seconded by Council Member Franco.
Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley,
Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

A. May 8th Council Workshop Minutes

May 8th Council Meeting Minutes

B. Audit of Reports:

May 9th - 22nd, 2023 Claims #112882-112951 = \$153,692.77

May 9th - 22nd, 2023 Payroll = \$61,341.79

7. Reports

Council Member Franco - None.

Council Member Cook - Finance Committee last week and Tara went over the 2022 finance report. Makes us feel good about where we're at.

Council Member Fairley - Fishing Derby on Saturday. Had a good time and the kids seemed to be having a good time. Thought it was well put together and lots of good information was there.

Council Member Osborn - Met with the Algona Day Committee and it's moving along very well. It's going to be a busy time for a short time.

Council Member Thomas - Attended the VRFA meeting and we talked about the ordering for some backlogged trucks and retaining some vehicles due to be surplus. Also attended the Finance Committee Meeting. There was a huge turnout at the fishing derby and it was a good time. Public Works Week this week and I want to recognize the crew and they are doing a fabulous. If the water main breaks or storm drains are plugged, it's the public works crew fixing it. Hats off to them.

Public Works Director Russ Avery - Started mowing quite a bit with the warm weather. The flail mower had to be fixed, but next year it might need to be replaced with how much we use. Starting spraying the weeds and did have a problem with the sewer pump station mercury switch. That will need to be replaced soon and the sewer assessment should give us a better idea what needs to be updated. Gary, the seasonal parks worker, started today. You'll see him mowing the parks and such. This summer, we will be cleaning the 167 ditch starting with the northern portions with the equipment we have then may need to rent bigger equipment for the areas that has standing water. The sandbags on 9th will also be cleaned up this week.

City Clerk Jessica Griess - Working on two grants these last two weeks of May: Local Records grant and RE+. I am still trying to get an answer of when the website will be updated.

Mayor Linnell - June 12th will be an executive session for a personnel matter. Attended the ground breaking for the new transfer station. Construction begins June 1st. We have a few years to discuss what to do with the property the current station is vacating. May 17th, had

monthly check in with the Algona Village group and hopefully breaking ground this year or early next year. May 10th, attended the PIC meeting. Talked about the legislative items that have come through.

8. Audience Participation

The City Council encourages public participation during meetings of the City Council and welcomes your comments. This time is set-aside for you to speak to the City Council on any issue. The Council ordinarily takes non-agenda matters under advisement before taking action. You are also invited to comment on action items as they are considered during the meeting. Individual speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each in addressing the City Council. When addressing the Council, please speak clearly and audibly and state your name and address for the record.

Valeri Moe, 16 2nd Ave S - Kuddos to the Police for coming down my road. Have a neighbor that continues to be a problem. Auburn Reporter newspaper gets thrown out even though I have a paper box. They told me it wasn't my business. The road is also very gravelly and pieces of the road is just crumbling off.

Chris Gomez, 527 Main St - The truck noise down the street is horrible and there's a neighbor that constantly wakes me up at 3:00 PM. The speeding is also horrendous down Main St. There's a tow truck business in town and they dump cars in their own yard.

9. Discussion

A. Transportation Improvement Plan

Public Works Director Avery provided a second review of the TIP. If there are any other streets the Council would like considered, please let Russ know.

B. Ordinance 1220-23, Allocation of Investment Interest

City Clerk Jessica Griess provided the second review of Ordinance 1220-23. This Ordinance would allow all of the LGIP interest earnings to be put in the general fund instead of allocated among all the funds.

C. Housing Action Plan (*Draft*)

Caitlin Hepworth from the Blueline Group provided a recap of the Housing Action Plan.

D. Junior Council

City Clerk Jessica Griess presented the first draft of the Junior Council. The current version is put together as an Ad-Hoc advisory board to be a two year trial then can be decided to add by ordinance making it more permanent. It gives the opportunity for youth to become involved in various projects and learn civic lessons. The Council would like to provide more input before moving forward.

E. RE+ Pledge

City Clerk Jessica Griess provided the first review of the RE+ Pledge and how it is required to be eligible for the grant that the City is applying for.

F. Gray & Osborn Proposal and Contract, Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan Update

Public Works Director Avery provided insight on what the Flood Comp Plan entails.

G. Ordinance 1221-23, AMC 2.52.040 Salaries Update

City Clerk Jessica Griess provided the first look of Ordinance 1221-23. This ordinance would add the option to adjust the Mayor's salary with a budget amendment, not just the annual budget cycle.

H. Budget Amendment

City Clerk Jessica Griess went through the first review of the budget amendment. This amendment includes the Non-Uniform Union COLA increase, .5% City Clerk salary increase to maintain 5% differential between highest subordinate, reallocation of funds from the PW Supervisor position to a Code Enforcement/Permit Technician position, addition of an Officer Manager in the PD, and reallocating the Mayor's benefits to the Mayor's salary. There will be cost savings in the decrease of third party permitting expenses.

10. New Business

11. Old Business

12. Ordinances & Resolution

13. Next Workshop

None on June 12th.

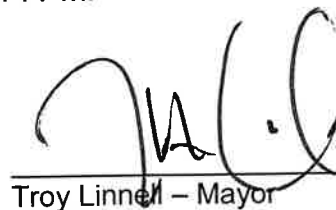
14. Adjournment

Mayor Linnell adjourned the meeting at 8:14 PM.

ATTEST:



Jessica Griess – City Clerk



Troy Linnell – Mayor