

April 1, 2019

The regular meeting of the Decorah City Council was called to order by Mayor Borowski at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Randy Schissel, Andy Carlson, Kirk Johnson, Steve Luse, Dan Bellrichard, Ross Hadley, Johanna Bergen.

Motion by Bergan, second by Carlson, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Nikki Brevig, River Center Health, read a proclamation for Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. Mayor Borowski indicated she had signed the proclamation.

Motion by Hadley, second by Bellrichard, to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- a. Minutes of the March 18, 2019 meeting
- b. Claims
- c. Resolution 2947 setting a public hearing for the FY'19 budget amendment (*May 6, 2019, 5:45pm*)
- d. Consider special event permit for the Decorah Pride Committee event on Water Street (*Saturday, May 11, 2019 – parade 2:00 – 2:30pm and event on in lower parking lot until 7:00pm*)
- e. Renewal Class C Liquor License for Haymarket including Sunday Sales

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Johnson, to approve Resolution 2946 setting May 6, 2019, 5:45 pm as the date and time for a public hearing for a proposed Development Agreement with Ridge Development Company, LLC d/b/a DECO Bluffs Development, LLC, including Annual Appropriation Tax Increment payments. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Consideration of Administrative Policy 19-01, Flag Display Policy, was opened for discussion. Councilperson Schissel stated this should have been discussed in committee and questioned if it opened it up to anyone wanting to display flags. Felt it should be limited to non-profit corporations. If denied does it open ourselves up to litigation.

Attorney Anderson stated the Supreme Court has allowed cities to regulate their own speech. However, it would not prevent any person or organization, denied a permit, from filing litigation against the city.

Motion by Bergan, second by Hadley, to approve Administrative Policy 19-01, Flag Display Policy, regulating community oriented and special interest flags and identifying locations for same. Roll call vote. Voting aye: Bellrichard, Carlson, Luse, Bergan, Hadley, Johnson. Voting nay: Schissel. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned on motion.

Wanda Hemesath, MMC
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