

December 2, 2019

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

Members present: Emily Neal, Ross Hadley, Kirk Johnson, Andy Carlson, Steve Luse, Johanna Bergan. Absent: Randy Schissel

Kristina Wiltgen, Decorah Area Chamber of Commerce, provided the Council with the new Winneshiek County Visitor's Guide.

Andrew Ellingsen thanked the Decorah Police Dept for quick, compassionate response to an incident he was involved in.

Kristin Torresdal introduced Rachael Shay Button as the new children's and young adult librarian at Decorah Public Library.

Motion by Bergan, second by Luse, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- a. Minutes November 18, 2019 meeting
- b. Claims
- c. **Change Order #1 - final**, 2019 East Broadway Alley Improvement Project – deduct (\$4,780.17)
- d. **PPE #003**, release of retainage for Decorah 2019 East Broadway Alley Improvements in the amount of \$5,007.95
- e. Consider an agreement with WHKS for 2020 bridge inspections
- f. **Resolution 3022**, adding streetlight to Glen Barth Circle
- g. Consider C-3 Commercial Design Review re: 128 West Water Street, *third floor window replacement*

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

This being the date and time for a public hearing to amend Title 16 of the Decorah City Code pertaining to Subdivisions the hearing was opened.

City Manager / Zoning Administrator Bird provided a brief overview of changes to the code section noting the code was last amended in 1993, some changes included aligning the code with SUDAS and ADA and updating language to better reflect current practices. He noted changes are recommended by the planning and zoning commission.

There were no other public comments.

The hearing was closed.

Ordinance 1241 amending Title 16 pertaining to subdivisions was introduced and read for the first time. Motion by Hadley, second by Carlson to approve the first reading. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Luse, second by Neal to approve and certify the following 2019 residential tax abatement applications:

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|----|--|---------------|-------------------------|
| a. | Ronald and Carole Fox, 601 Stapleton Drive | single family | completed October 2019  |
| b. | Andrew & Angie Burkel, 1013 Walnut Street  | single family | completed November 2019 |

Additions – Garages or improvements

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| a. | Pete & Alyssa Marso, 607 Stanwood Drive | single family / remodel | completed October 2019 |
| b. | Christopher Wilder, 412 Twin View Drive | single family / remodel | completed July 2019    |

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bergan, second by Carlson to approve the Mayor re-appointment of Janelle Pavlovec to the Board of Adjustment. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned on motion.



Chad A. Bird  
City Manager