

May 18, 2020

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

The meeting was held electronically as meeting in person was impossible or impractical due to COVID19 regulations.

The Pledge of Allegiance was waived due to meeting being held electronically.

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

Police Chief Smutzler presented the 2019 Annual Police Dept. Report.

Motion by Hadley, second by Carlson to approve the items of the consent agenda as presented.

- a. Minutes of the May 4, 2020 meeting
- b. Claims
- c. Renewal Class B Beer Permit for Pizza Hut including Sunday Sales
- d. Change Order #1 Lower Ridge Road Improvement Project - \$12,493.51
- e. Resolution 3079, setting a date for a public hearing on a request for rezoning of property; Downing Commercial subdivision, 172nd Avenue parcel(s) from A-1 Agricultural District to C-1 Highway Commercial District and Scenic View Estates Subdivision from A-1 Agricultural District to R-3 Multiple Family Residential District, June 15, 2020 – 5:45pm
- f. Resolution 3080, setting a date for a public hearing on Decorah City Code amendments to Chapter 15.04 – Design Criteria in the City of Decorah, June 15, 2020 – 5:45pm
- g. Resolution 3084 approving a 28E agreement for payment of Software License and Service Subscription with CentralSquare Technologies, LLC for public safety software, hardware and related services

Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

This being the date and time for a public hearing on the proposed FY20 budget amendment the hearing was opened.

City Clerk, Tr. Hemesath reviewed the proposed amendment. No public comment. The hearing was closed.

Motion by Schissel, second by Carlson, to approve the proposed FY20 budget amendment as presented. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

This being the date and time for a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a Taxable Obligation Refunding Loan Agreement the hearing was opened.

No public comment. The hearing was closed.

Motion by Luse, second by Neal, to approve Resolution 3082 taking additional action on proposal to enter into a Taxable General Obligation Refunding Loan Agreement and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection therewith. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

This being the date and time for a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a General Obligation Corporate Purpose Loan Agreement and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection therewith.

No public comment. The hearing was closed.

Motion by Luse, second by Hadley, to approve Resolution 3083 taking additional action on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Corporate Purpose Loan Agreement and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection therewith. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance 1245 regarding Chapter 5.28 Rental Property, Short Term Rentals was introduced and read for the third and final time. Motion by Bergan, second by Luse, to approve the third and final reading thereby placing the ordinance on its' final adoption. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Carlson, second by Luse, to approve Resolution 3081 accepting a CARES Act Grant Offer, Grant No. 3-19-0025-014-2020 for the Decorah Municipal Airport in the amount of \$30,000. This is a COVID related grant with a 4-year expenditure window. Roll call vote. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the possible sale of public property. Motion by Hadley, second by Luse, to refer to the Planning and Zoning Commission for tentative action on RFP to include the following options with the proceeds to be used for a purpose to be decided at a later date:

- Commercial Use Only
- Site Plan approval within 18-months of date of conveyance
- Development/construction to begin within 24 months from date of conveyance
- Development shall be complete within 36 months
- Property Non-eligible for TIF or Tax Abatement
- Developer may not re-sell or convey property prior to the end of the Development Term or completion of the development project, whichever is later, without City consent
- If developer does not complete the development project prior to the end of the Development Term, the property, at the option of the City, will revert to the City. The City will re-purchase the property at 90% of the cash sale price the developer paid to the City, minus all costs incurred by the City to re-purchase the property. The City will have 5 years from the end of the Development Term to exercise this option, if the development project is not completed by the end of the Development Term.
- Follow Stormwater Management Plan

Roll call vote. Voting aye: Hadley, Luse, Bergan, Johnson, Neal. Voting nay: Carlson, Schissel. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned on motion.



Wanda Hemesath, MMC
City Clerk, Tr.