

January 2, 2024

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Borowski at 5:45 PM.

The meeting was held at the Decorah Council Chambers and electronically.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Member present: Randy Schissel, Emily Neal, Kirsten Olson, Christopher Miculinich, Steven Zittergruen, Ross Hadley, and Brent Parker

Trisha Wilkins presented the annual report for Northeast Iowa Community Action

Consent agenda was presented.

- a. Minutes of the December 18, 2023, Meeting
- b. Claims
- c. Reappointment of Scott Timm and Tina Hall to Tree Board
- d. Reappointment of Sandhye Puroit Caton to Human Rights Commission
- e. Appointment of Jeff Clement as Fire Chief, Mike Ashbacher as First Assistant Chief, and Kyle Kohls as Second Assistant Chief, per City Code Section 2.14.020
- f. Approve Driftless Multimedia as the Official Newspaper for City of Decorah
- g. Resolution 3421 to Set Public Hearing to Consider Proposing to Vacate a Woodland Protection Easement at 1004 Eileen Court

Zittergruen made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Hadley made a motion to table the approving of the building permit fees to allow for more research and discussion. Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Hadley made a motion to approve the second reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 17.16.030 related to accessory buildings. Schissel seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried. Schissel made a motion to waive the third reading and adopt Ordinance 1321 which amends Chapter 17.16.030 relating to accessory buildings, Zittergruen seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Zittergruen made a motion to approve the lowering of the police department sign on bonus from \$10,000.00 to \$7,500.00 with a three year repayment contract versus a five year repayment contract for certified police officers who are hired by the City of Decorah. Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Schissel made a motion to approve the professional service agreement with WHKS for 2024 bridge inspections, Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Borowski announced that there are openings on the Telecommunications Board and the Human Rights Commission. The city will be accepting applications until filled.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM

Keri Sand  
City Clerk-Finance Officer