

September 16, 2024

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Lorraine 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.

Members present: Randy Schissel, Emily Neal, Kirsten Olson, Christopher Miculinich, Brent Parker, Steve Zittergruen, Mayor Lorraine Borowski, City Manager Travis Goedken, and City Clerk Keri Sand

Chris Troendle, Regional Housing Planner of Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission, presented to council their annual report with a request for funding for the future.

Consent agenda was presented.

- a. Minutes of the September 3, 2024, Council Meeting
- b. Claims
- c. Resolution 3490 Setting Public Hearing on Amending Title 17-Zoning of the Decorah Municipal Code Regarding Can Redemption Centers as Principal Permitted Uses
- d. Decorah 2024 Stormwater Improvements Project Change Order#1-Final Project Quantity Adjustments
- e. Decorah 2024 Stormwater Improvements Project Pay App #2 (Final)
- f. Resolution 3491 Approving Decorah 2024 Stormwater Improvements Project as Complete
- g. Amendment for Class C Retail Alcohol License-Blazing Star
- h. Renewal of Class C Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service-JT Haymarket LLC
- i. Renewal of Class E Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service and Catering-Toppling Goliath
- j. Renewal of Class E Retail Alcohol License-Decorah Mart

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

Mayor Borowski opened the public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Central Business District Urban Renewal Area and Urban Renewal Plan at 6:06 PM. No public comment. Mayor Borowski closed the public hearing at 6:07 PM. Neal made a motion to approve Resolution 3492 to declare necessity and establish an urban renewal area, pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and approve an urban renewal plan amendment for the Central Business District Urban Renewal Area. Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Neal made a motion to approve the first reading of an ordinance providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the September 2024 Addition to the Central Business District. Zittergruen seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Parker made a motion to approve Resolution 3493 setting a public hearing on proposed development agreement with Decorah Real Estate Fund LP, including annual appropriation tax increment payments. Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Borowski opened the public hearing at 6:21 PM on the proposed designation of the Decorah East Side Residential Urban Renewal Area and Urban Renewal Plan. No public comment. Mayor Borowski closed the public hearing at 6:22 PM. Schissel made a motion to approve Resolution 3494 declaring necessity and establish an urban renewal area pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and to approve urban renewal plan and projects for the Decorah East Side Residential Urban Renewal Area. Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Schissel, Olson, Neal, Parker, Miculinich. Nays: Zittergruen. Motion carried.

Schissel made a motion to approve the first reading of an ordinance providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the Decorah East Side Residential Urban Renewal Area pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. Neal seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Schissel, Neal, Parker, Miculinich, Olson. Nays: Zittergruen. Motion carried.

Schissel made a motion to approve Resolution 3495 setting a public hearing to approve a development agreement with High Point East, L.L.C. including annual appropriation tax increment payments. Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Schissel, Olson, Parker, Neal, Miculinich. Nays: Zittergruen. Motion carried.

Olson made a motion to approve Resolution 3496 establishing the Downtown Economic Development Grant Program, Neal seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Olson, Neal, Parker, Miculinich, Zittergruen. Nays: Schissel. Motion carried.

Zittergruen made a motion to approve Resolution 3497 stating a public purpose for electricity use for the Live on Winnebago Event, Neal seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Zittergruen made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1335 amending Section 10.52.090 of the Decorah Municipal Code regarding School Zones. Olson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried. Schissel made a motion to waive the second and third reading and adopt

Ordinance 1335. Zittergruen seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Schissel, Zittergruen, Olson, Neal, Miculinich, Parker. Motion carried.

Schissel made a motion to approve the C-3 Design from Koreana at 207 West Water Street, Zittergruen seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

The council discussed the noise ordinance that City Manager Travis Goedken presented. Goedken will bring the ordinance back for more discussion in the future.

Mayor Borowski announced that there is an opening on the Decorah Human Rights Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM

Keri Sand
City Clerk-Finance Officer