

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY MAY 9, 2024
5:30 P.M.
COMMUNITY CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER:

MAYOR STROM CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:30

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: TOBY STROM, JORDAN GUNUFSON, LUKE BURD, LUKE SYVERSON, BETH HAGEN

MELISSA FINSETH – CLERK/TREASURER

GUESTS: MATT THOMPSON, JUANITA HEPBURN, SCOTT GUSTAFSON, CRYSTELLE PHILIPP – HOFFMAN, PHILIPP, & MARTELL, PLLC

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

QUORUM WAS MET

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

- f. BUILDING PERMIT – BOE
- g. REESE PROPERTY – YARD SITE
- h. DUMP TRUCK

MOTION BY BETH HAGEN AND SECONDED BY LUKE SYVERSON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA ADDITIONS. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. APRIL 16, 2024 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION BY LUKE BURD AND SECONDED BY JORDAN GUNUFSON TO APPROVE THE APRIL 16, 2024 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

MATT THOMPSON INFORMED THE COUNCIL THAT THERE IS A WATER POOLING ISSUE ON THE SOUTH-SIDE OF HIS PROPERTY IN THE CITY’S RIGHT-OF-WAY. COUNCIL DISCUSSED HAVING THE RIGHT-OF-WAY GRADED TO ALLOW THE WATER TO FLOW TO THE ALLEY EAST OF MATT THOMPSON’S. MR. THOMPSON OFFERED TO DO THE WORK HIMSELF, BUT MAYOR STROM SAID THAT THE CITY MAY NEED TO GRADE THE ENTIRE

RIGHT-OF-WAY. MAYOR STROM CONFIRMED, LATER, THAT HE WILL INSPECT THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND LET THE CITY CLERK KNOW WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

JUANITA HEPBURN AND SCOTT GUSTAFSON WERE IN ATTENDANCE TO DISCUSS ISSUES THEY'VE BEEN HAVING WITH A NEIGHBOR'S DOG RUNNING LOOSE ONTO THEIR PROPERTIES AS WELL AS OTHER PROPERTIES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. LETTERS WILL BE WRITTEN TO ALL PARTIES INVOLVED WITH ANIMAL ORDINANCE LAWS.

CRYSTELLE PHILIPP OF HOFFMAN, PHILIPP, & MARTELL, PLLC WAS IN ATTENDANCE TO DISCUSS THE 2023 FINANCIAL AUDIT. A COPY OF THE FULL AUDIT REPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

MEDA AND POPLAR MEADOWS :

a. RENTAL STATUS

POPLAR MEADOWS CURRENTLY HAS 23 RESIDENTS. 1 BEDROOM IN THE EXTENDED CARE UNIT IS AVAILABLE FOR RENT. THE 1 BEDROOM AND 2 – 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS HAVE DEPOSITS IN FOR JUNE 1ST.

b. APPROVE POPLAR MEADOWS MONTHLY BILLS

MOTION BY LUKE BURD AND SECONDED BY BETH HAGEN TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,347.75. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

c. REVENUE STATUS

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE FINANCIAL STATUS, FOR POPLAR MEADOWS, IS IMPROVING WITH THE INCREASES COMING IN. THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY ARE PROJECTED TO EXPAND THE INCREASES FOR SECOND AND THIRD QUARTER FINANCES.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

a. JOINT RESOLUTION – ORDERLY ANNEXATION

MOTION BY LUKE SYVERSON AND SECONDED BY JORDAN GUNUFSON TO ADOPT A JOINT RESOLUTION FOR ORDERLY ANNEXATION. THIS ANNEXES CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP INTO THE CITY AND IS DESCRIBED IN PARCEL NUMBERS: 40.00105.00, 44.00106.00, 44.00111.00, AND 90.00001.00. ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE KING TOWNSHIP BOARD VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE DURING THEIR TOWNSHIP MEETING ON MAY 7, 2024.

b. REESE PROPERTY – SURVEYING PROJECT

TABLED UNTIL THE JUNE 13, 2024 MEETING.

c. 2024 COUNTY ROAD 8 BITUMINOUS OVERLAY PROJECT

POLK COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SENT A NOTIFICATION THAT CSAH 8 WILL HAVE A BITUMINOUS OVERLAY DONE SUMMER OF 2024. THIS WAS INFORMATIONAL ONLY AND NOTHING WAS NEEDED TO BE DECIDED BY THE CITY.

d. HOMESCHOOL GROUP

TABLED UNTIL THE JUNE 13, 2024 MEETING.

e. BUILDING PERMIT – BAUMANN

MOTION BY LUKE SYVERSON AND SECONDED BY LUKE BURD TO APPROVE A BUILDING PERMIT FOR A 12'X8' SHED FOR KEVIN AND KAREN BAUMANN. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

f. BUILDING PERMIT – BOE

MOTION BY LUKE SYVERSON AND SECONDED BY JORDAN GUNUFSON TO APPROVE THE BUILDING PERMIT FOR A FENCE FOR HUNTER BOE AND JUSTICE FARNWORTH. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

g. REESE PROPERTY – YARD SITE

MOTION BY LUKE SYVERSON AND SECONDED BY BETH HAGEN TO PUT THE REESE PROPERTY ON BIDS WITH THE STIPULATION THAT THE PROPERTY WILL BE IMPROVED BY THE NEW OWNER IN ONE YEAR'S TIME. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

h. DUMP TRUCK

MOTION BY LUKE BURD AND SECONDED BY JORDAN GUNUFSON TO APPROVE PUTTING THE CITY'S DUMP TRUCK UP ON MCMULLEN AUCTION SALES. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY BILLS:

MOTION BY LUKE SYVERSON AND SECONDED BY LUKE BURD TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,779.74. PASSED UNOPPOSED.

COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS:

JORDAN GUNUFSON ASKED THAT THE ANCHOR MILLS SIGN BE REMOVED SINCE THE CITY DOESN'T INTEND ON SELLING THE PROPERTY.

NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE:

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION BY LUKE SYVERSON AND SECONDED BY JORDAN GUNUFSON TO ADJOURN AT 7:06. PASSED UNOPPOSED.