

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WITH PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

A Regular Council Meeting with a Public Hearing to Designation Of The Sabula Urban Renewal Area, And On Proposed Urban Renewal Plan And Project And For The Proposed Maximum Property Tax Levy was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. at Sabula City Hall, 411 Broad Street, Sabula, Iowa.

In order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this Regular Meeting of the Sabula City Council was held electronically and had limited seating in City Hall. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, which is certainly true during this crisis. The agenda and the City's social media had this message posted 24 hours in advance to give instructions on how others could participate in the meeting.

The meeting was accessible the following ways:

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Present: Mayor Pro Tem Teena Franzen, Pat Meyers, Henry Kramer, Dave Ward and Rich Epich. Absent: Mayor Troy Hansen.

Others Present: Lynn Parker, Wendy Hoertz, Michele & Paul Figie, Curtis Koch, Adam McPherson, Travis Woodhurst, David Heiar, Travis Kieffer, Jason Marcus, Candi Diercks, Dan Pfeiffer and Nic Hockenberry.

Mayor Pro Tem Franzen called the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m.

Public Hearing

P. Meyers made a motion: seconded by D. Ward to open public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

Solicitation of comments for Designation Of The Sabula Urban Renewal Area, And On Proposed Urban Renewal Plan And Project. M. Figie asked if this would be considered zoning for the City. Dave H. explained that it would not. C. Diercks asked what the Urban Renewal Area was for. She asked Dave to explain it more. Dave stated that the Renewal Plan would place the entire community in the Urban Renewal Area. There would be 2 zones; downtown (for development incentives) and south harbor districts (for special development agreement and a catalyst grant). J. Marcus asked if their properties would be in the districts. D. Heiar informed Jason that he was not sure

where their business was in the district but if a potential business is not in the district, it could be amended. It was also stated that the Urban Renewal Area would not impact property taxes. Dave Heiar added that he would be happy to speak to business owners about the Urban Renewal Plan. He asked the City Clerk to give the interested parties his contact information.

Solicitation of comments For The Proposed Maximum Property Tax Levy. No comments or inquiries received. The clerk explained that since the Max Tax Levy change was 4.25%, a supermajority vote would be needed. If we did not have a supermajority, council would have to decide what tax levy to cut and by how much.

D. Ward made a motion to close public hearing; seconded by P. Franzen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Regular Council Meeting

P. Meyers made a motion to open the council meeting; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deletions- None

Citizen Concerns- M. Figie asked about the status of the Zoning Ordinance. The Figie's also commented that ever since BWC did the water main, they have had issues with water running down the drive. Clerk Parker stated that she would call V&K to see if it could be repaired. C. Dierks asked Chief McPherson if he could do something about the running dogs. She stated that when she goes for walks, there are a lot of dogs running loose.

Agenda

Approve minutes

Motion was made by P. Ward; seconded by R. Epich to approve the minutes from 1/26/21. Ayes from 1/26/21 from P. Meyers, R. Epich and H. Kramer. D Ward abstained. Motion carried.

Approve claims

P. Meyers made a motion to approve the bills and payroll for February; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1232, to Declare Necessity and Establish an Urban Renewal Plan

H. Kramer made a motion to approve Resolution #1232, A Resolution to Declare Necessity and Establish an Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and Approve Urban Renewal Plan and Projects for the Sabula Urban Renewal Area; seconded by R. Epich. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ordinance 3-2021

Motion made by R. Epich; seconded by D. Ward to approve Ordinance 3-2021, Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the Sabula Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ordinance 3-2021

P. Meyers made a motion to waive the 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance 3-2021, Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the Sabula Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1228, Approving the Maximum Property Tax Dollars Requested for FY21/22

R. Epich made a motion to approve Resolution #1228, A Resolution Approving the Maximum Property Tax Dollars Requested for FY21/22; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Set a public hearing date

H. Kramer made a motion to set a public hearing date on 3/23/21 for the FY21/22 Operating Budget; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1230, RCTP Grant

Council member H. Kramer stated that we needed to do infrastructure on Broad Street. He also stated that he would make a motion to move forward with the project and refine. A motion was made by H. Kramer to approve Resolution #1230, Authorizing the Filing of A Jackson County Rural County Transportation Program (RCTP) Grant Application To Assist With The Funding For The Broad Street Project In The City of Sabula, Iowa; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1231, Establishing Project Priorities for RCTP Application

P. Meyers made a motion to approve Resolution #1231, Establishing Project Priorities for Jackson County Rural County Transportation Program Grant Application; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Liquor License

D. Ward made a motion to approve the liquor license for Homeport; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1233, Purchase street sweeper

P. Meyers made a motion to approve Resolution #1233, Purchase of the street sweeper ; R. Epich seconded. All ayes. Motion carried. The City of Sabula received a grant from the USDA in the amount of \$127,000 with the City's portion being \$44,700.

Police report

During this month of February received 16 miscellaneous aid-information calls, 2 assisted with the Ambulance/Fire Department, there were 0 motor vehicle accidents, 5 assists with county 7 arrest/police citations were processed 2 pending, 4 warnings were given on miscellaneous, further investigation is being worked on 2 report.

Place on file

P. Meyers made a motion to place on file the Sewer and Water Maintenance Report, Financial Statement and Expenditure and Revenue Report for January and Sabula's Water and Wastewater Report from Dave Ackerman; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting made by P. Meyers and seconded by D. Ward at 7:45 P.M. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Teena Franzen, Mayor Pro Tem

Lynn Parker, City Clerk