

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

A Regular Council Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. at Sabula City Hall, 411 Broad Street, Sabula, Iowa.

This Regular Meeting of the Sabula City Council was held electronically and had seating in City Hall. 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.

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Present: Mayor Troy Hansen, Council Members; Rich Epich, Pat Meyers, Dave Ward and Teena Franzen. Absent: Barb Hayden.

Others Present: Lynn Parker, Wendy Hoertz, Travis Woodhurst, Evan Nixon, John Mangler, Dan Pfeiffer, Candi and Jeremy Diercks, Jesse Shekleton, Derek Bradt, Dave Rittmer, Elliott Mills, Leo Foley, Lisa Hartman and Paul Figie.

Mayor Hansen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### **Regular Council Meeting**

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

**Deletions-** #5, Discussion on sewer extension & #6, Sand Prairie Internet

**Certificate of Appreciation** – Thank you to Brittny Bratcher and Zach Castro for organizing the Halloween activities.

### **Visitors with Business**

Leo Foley from Veenstra & Kimm informed council that the DNR would need to approve the sewer extension project. He could not find any permanent easements. The city will need to have those in place. The project will cost no more than \$50,000 to add 150' of 8" sewer pipe and terminate at a proposed manhole "56A". The project should take a couple months with plan approval in December, bidding in January and work in February.

Jo-Carroll Energy/Sand Prairie informed council that they are looking to expand their internet services to Sabula residents. They provide fiber internet which allows for faster, more reliable internet. If council is interested, connection would be possible by using the city owned utility poles.

**Citizen Concerns-** John Mangler asked about amending the noise ordinance by changing the decibel level by 5.

## **Agenda**

### **Approve minutes**

D. Ward made a motion to approve the minutes from 10/26/21 and 11/4/21; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Approve claims**

P. Meyers made a motion to approve the bills and payroll for November; seconded by T. Franzen. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **FY20/21 Annual Financial Report**

R. Epich made a motion to approve the FY20/21 Annual Financial Report; seconded by T. Franzen. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Sewer Extension Agreement**

R. Epich made a motion to approve the sewer extension between Bank and Madison; seconded by T. Franzen. All ayes. Motion carried. Leo Foley stated that the bids would be competitive bids since the project would be under \$50,000. (Based on the Iowa DOT bid and quote thresholds.)

### **Garage door**

Item tabled.

### **Cemetery fence**

Item tabled. Mayor Hansen suggested putting something in the bill inserts to ask community what they would like.

### **Recreational Vehicle Ordinance**

Item tabled for a work session.

### **Christmas donation**

T. Franzen made a motion to approve up to \$150 for a donation towards the Christmas activities; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Place on file**

T. Franzen made a motion to place on file the Sewer and Water Maintenance Report for October; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Police report**

The following police report for November was given by Chief Nixon: 29 miscellaneous calls, 105 officer-initiated calls, 1 assist with fire/ambulance, 1 motor vehicle accidents, 4 assists with county or other agency, 3 requested assistance from other agency, 10 police citations issued, 2 arrest made, 4 pending cases for investigation, 11 warnings given on miscellaneous violations, 5 cases for further investigation and 13 reports taken.

**ATV's**

Council discussed changing the ordinance to allow ATV's into town. A copy of the county ordinance will be sent to the attorney for review. Mayor and Council discussed having a separate ordinance for golf carts and ATV's. No motion made.

**Radar purchase**

T. Franzen made a motion to approve the purchase of a radar unit at a cost to the City of \$1859; seconded by R. Epich. All ayes. Motion carried. The Police Department did receive a grant in the amount of \$1500.

**Camera purchase**

T. Franzen made a motion to approve the purchase of a camera unit for the squad car from WatchGuard in the amount of \$4495; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried. The Police Department received a grant in the amount of \$4500.

**Squad purchase**

T. Franzen made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2010 Crown Victoria; seconded by R. Epich. All ayes. Motion carried. An anonymous donor has offered to purchase the car at \$0 cost to the City.

Chief Nixon also informed the Mayor and Council that he would like to start a program called "Coffee with a cop". He will invite our senior community members to come once a month or bi-monthly and have a question and answer session.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn meeting made by T. Franzen and seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

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Troy Hansen, Mayor

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Lynn Parker, City Clerk