

CITY OF SIGOURNEY, IOWA
MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021

The Sigourney City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, with Mayor Glandon presiding and the following Council members answering roll call: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder, and Bender. Others present were: Matt Brainard; Aidan Schuster; Amanda Snakenberg; Jerry Wohler; Emily Wohler; Don Northup, Public Works Director I; Sherrie Casper Deputy City Clerk and Angie Alderson, City Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Council member Schröder moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the tentative agenda after removing items 2.C, 2.D and 4.2. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder and Bender. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Bender, to approve the following items on the consent agenda with an amendment to the Council accounts payable claims with an increase of about \$1,000.00: Minutes of June 2, 2021 regular Council meeting; Council accounts payable claims in the amount of \$159,419.32; Annual renewal of Retail Cigarette Permit Applications for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor for various Sigourney businesses; Resolution No. 2021-06-05 Re: Temporary Closing of Downtown Streets for the Car Show on Saturday, July 17, 2021; Liquor License application for Kiwanis Club of Sigourney, Iowa in Alley by 111 South Jefferson Street, Sigourney, Iowa for Class B Beer Permit; Permanent Premise Liquor License Transfer application for Dollar General from 315 North Main Street, Sigourney, Iowa to 704 East Jackson Street, Sigourney, Iowa; community betterment projects: \$8,686.80 for stop light control update and \$5,035.08 for replacing light pole on City square and ; credit card report and the time and place for the July 7, 2021, regular Council meeting will be 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder, and Bender. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Additional City Business: Mayor Glandon explained to the Council that he had talked to Paul Horak this afternoon and the City's property and liability insurance had went up 19%. The reason it went up was that I.C.A.P. has a rebate that is given to the insureds if they have a profitable year, and it was not given this year. That was \$2,200.00 last year. Everything else went up this year, partially because of the derecho last year and other things. So, with not being given that voucher and the other increase it ends up being around a 21% increase from last year. Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the City's property, liability, workers compensation and boiler insurance policies and premium. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder, and Bender. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member Bender moved, seconded by Council member Schröder, to approve Resolution 2021-06-06 temporary closing of streets for the July 4th celebration. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder and Bender. Nays: None. Motion approved.

City Clerk Alderson explained to the Council that Kiwanis was using cones and caution tape instead of fencing for the beer garden, like they did for the 175th celebration. Also, she said that they couldn't vote on it, but Stuart Grossman called today to ask if they could use a golf cart with headlights to transport the beer after dark from Brothers to the sight where they are selling the beer. Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member Bender to approve Resolution 2021-06-07 temporary closing of streets for the beer tent during the July 4th celebration. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder, and Bender. Nays: None. Motion approved.

The Council by consensus agreed to allow Kiwanis to use a golf cart after dark to transport the beer to the selling area.

Mayor Glandon explained to the Council that the Fire Department will be blocking off SADC Avenue starting at the County pavement staggered so the delivery trucks can still get through but nobody else can park there. They have talked to DuraLast, Benders and they talked to Nick Wehr who is renting the farm ground. City Clerk Alderson said she will send a copy of the Resolution for the street closing to all three parties and contact information for Josh Dumont, who is in charge of the fireworks this year. The fireworks had to be moved partly because of the construction at the sewer lagoon and because they have bigger cakes that they are setting off this year. There has to be so many feet distance from where they set them off to where the public are. Last year the people that came in late for the tractor pull parked to close and the fire department had no way of controlling where the fireworks went. Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member McLaughlin to approve Resolution 2021-06-08 temporary closing of SADC Avenue for the fireworks display on Sunday, July 4, 2021. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder, and Bender. Nays: None. Motion approved.

The closing of the inside parking area of the square was discussed last meeting, but the exact details were not known. The Farmers Market is held on Wednesdays through October 13th. Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member Conrad to approve Resolution 2021-06-09 temporary closing of the inside parking area on the East

side of the Keokuk County Courthouse for the Farmers Market Season. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Schröder, and Bender. Nays: None. Motion approved.

There was no report for Sigourney Area Development Corporation (SADC).

Park and Recreation: Public Works Director Northup explained to the Council that there are issues with the slide at the pool. He called Acco and they decided that the slide needed to be removed. The owner of Acco called him and said to not worry that repairing it or replacing the slide will not cost the City a nickel. We need to set a Park and Rec meeting and have a Rep from Acco come to discuss it. We will wait until the July 7th Council meeting to set a time for the Park and Rec committee to meet with the Acco Rep.

Public Works Director Northup told the Council that there have been several occasions that the picnic tables at Town Square Park are being abused. They have been moved out the shelter into the grass area, they have been stacked on top of each other, have been stacked in tepee shapes and once there was something burned on top of one of them. The Council discussed bolting them down or putting a camera at the park. There is also a lot of trash being left at the park. The garbage can was removed because the public was putting household trash in it. The Park will be discussed at the next Park and Rec meeting.

Water and Wastewater: Public Works Director Northup reported that the Watermain project is mostly done. Everyone is hooked up and the Tower has been checked. There are some seeding issues that will have to be addressed in the Fall. There is a walk through this Friday, and they will be taking notes of things that will need to be looked at.

The Sewer Project is coming along also. They have laid some of the big pipe and they are working from daylight to dark.

Public Input: There was none.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 6:23 p.m.

Douglas L. Glandon, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Sherrie Casper, Deputy City Clerk