

CITY OF SIGOURNEY, IOWA
MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021

The Sigourney City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 with Mayor Glandon presiding and the following Council members answering roll call: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Others present were: Christie Iosbaker, Sigourney News Review; Larry Alderson; Don Northup, Public Works Director I; Brent Gilliland, Public Works Director II; and Angie Alderson, City Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the tentative agenda. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member Bender moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: Minutes for the regular Council meeting on February 17, 2021; Council accounts payable claims in the amount of \$15,548.36; Library accounts payable claims in the amount of \$3,615.21; Community Betterment Project of Archival Newspaper Preservation Kit; credit card report and the time and place for the March 17, 2021 regular Council meeting will be 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Additional City Business: Council member Schultz moved, seconded by Council member McLaughlin, to approve the second reading to the Sigourney Code of Ordinances – Title II Policy and Administration – Chapter 3 Powers and Duties of Municipal Officers – 2-3-12: Duties of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Mayor Glandon stated an architect for the Upper Story Housing grant has been discussed at a previous Council meeting. There must be an architect involved for the application to the Iowa Economic Development Authority for the Upper Story Housing Program. Once the project has been awarded through the City, then an architect can put a contract together. City Clerk Alderson wanted to make sure she could talk to Rod Curtis with Curtis Architect regarding this project. Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member Schultz, to pursue Curtis Architect as the architect for the IEDA Upper Story Housing Program. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Director of Public Works II Gilliland explained Will James (James Greenhouse) would like to add a building to their property. There is a storm sewer coming off Highway 92 (East Jackson Street) and the outlet runs through this property. The new building would be over the storm sewer outlet. Mr. James has agreed that he would take all responsibility for this should there be problems down the road. He will put whatever the City requires in his deed. This will be a metal building on a concrete slab. Council member Conrad moved, seconded by Council member Morlan, to approve the City Attorney contacting Will James and draw up a legal document to protect the City's interest and allow him to build a building on his lot. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

City Clerk Alderson showed the Council a couple sample ads for the 2021 Keokuk County Visitors Guide for their approval. Council member Morlan moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the 2021 Keokuk County Visitors Guide advertising using the sample without the playground equipment picture. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

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

Park and Recreation: Council member McLaughlin stated the City received three (3) more applications for pool lifeguards and the Park and Recreation Committee are recommending that all three applicants are hired. Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Morlan, to approve Resolution No. 2021-03-01 regarding pool personnel for the 2021 swimming season. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to approve the ad offering a pool pass discount for the 2021 season. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

The discussion regarding offering punch cards for the 2021 swimming season was tabled.

Street and Sanitation: Council member McLaughlin reviewed the bids received for the mowing and spraying. Council member McLaughlin moved, seconded by Council member Conrad, to recommend offering Backs Lawn Care the mowing and spraying contract for the summers of 2021 and 2022. Upon the roll being called, the following voted Ayes: Bender, Conrad, McLaughlin, Schultz, Morlan and Schröder. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Water and Wastewater: Director of Public Works I Northup stated that KLC Construction will be working on March 4th to start digging for a tie in on Monday, March 8th.

Finance: A Finance Committee meeting was tentatively set for Monday, March 15th at 7:00 a.m.

Public Input: Council member Morlan stated he received a complaint about the gravel in the street. Director of Public Works II Gilliland stated they get the patch machine out in April.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 6:21 p.m.

Douglas L. Glandon, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Angela K. Alderson, City Clerk