

REGULAR MEETING NO. 22  
Council Chambers, City Hall

August 15, 2023  
5:30 O'Clock P.M.

The meeting convened 5:42 P.M.

Present were Council Member Roe, Galloway, McAntire, Hull, and Mayor Johnson.  
Council Member Pope was absent.

Galloway moved, seconded by McAntire to approve consent agenda items: Mins. from Reg. Mtg. No. 21 on Aug. 1, 2023 as presented; Proclamation of OHS Centennial Celebration – declaration and ribbon cutting on 8/26/2023; Cigarette Permit Application for Philly Liquor & Tobacco (529 Church St.) and Pink Clouds Smoke Shop (313 N. Madison); Beer and/or liquor applications for: Philly Liquor & Tobacco, 529 Church St.; all applications pending final inspections. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Roe moved, seconded by Galloway to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

City Admin. Rath Recognized Annelise Bell – World Finals Competition silver medalist; Elaina Boyer – Jr. Olympics – Trampoline & Tumbling gold medalist; Cert. of Recog. Erin Naylor of Heron Kross – Main Street Ottumwa's Open 4 Business Competition.

Scott Hallgren, Rich Kennedy and Dr. Dodson presented the City with a check for \$125,000 from BVC, Inc. Board of Dir.

Mayor Johnson inquired if anyone from the audience wished to address an item on the agenda. There were none.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing to accept written or oral comments from the public on the spending plans for the 2023 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funds to be obtained from Bureau of Justice Assistance. Police Chief Farrington reported. No objections rec'd. Galloway moved, seconded by McAntire to close public hearing. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Hull moved, seconded by McAntire to approve submission of 2023 JAG Grant for \$26,628. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Roe moved, seconded by McAntire to pass second consid. of Ord. No. 3215-2023, amending Muni. Code of the City of Ottumwa, IA by repealing and replacing Sections 2-30 and 2-58 of Ch. 2 for the purpose of increasing compensation of Mayor and City Council Members. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

HR Dir. Codjoe provided update on Fire Dept. Naming Assistant Fire Chief Pat Short as Interim Fire Chief and Firefighter David Cronin as Interim Deputy Fire Chief. Also working through filling open positions.

Galloway moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 110-2023, approving Change Order No. 1 and accepting work as final and complete and approving final pay request for 2022 Asphalt St. Repair Program, be passed and adopted. Interim PW Dir. Burgmeier reported CO#1 decreases contract by \$650,916.85; new contract sum \$756,074.15. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Roe moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 125-2023, approving submission for REAP Grant to fund Ph. 1 of Oxbow Lagoon Trail Project, be passed and adopted. Rath reported grant covers 100% up to \$150,000; total construction est. \$133,600. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Hull moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 126-2023, approving purchase of ethanol and diesel pumps from Mid Iowa Petroleum Equip. for PW Dept. in the amt. \$23,264.30, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Galloway moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 127-2023, approving repairs to roof at 550 Gateway Dr., PW, by Commercial Roof Coatings of Linn, MO, in the amt. \$86,500, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

McAntire moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 128-2023, approving purchase of a Flatbed Tilt Trailer to transport #42, Case Mini Excavator in the amt. \$29,575 from Carroll Supply, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Hull moved, seconded by Roe that Res. No. 129-2023, awarding contract for asbestos abatement and demolition of 530 W. Woodland to Weston McKee of Fairfield, IA for the best bid \$1,500 for abatement and \$11,700 for demolition (total \$13,200), be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Roe moved, seconded by Hull that Res. No. 131-2023, updating and approving DSM River Flood Protection Operation Plan 2023, be passed and adopted. Burgmeier reported this was originally submitted in 2022, but FEMA returned it with comments that have been addressed in the new plan that will again be submitted to FEMA for final approval. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Mayor Johnson inquired if anyone from the audience wished to address an item not on the agenda; Sam Saffell and Mike McGrory wished to speak.

Mr. Saffell invited everyone to attend the IA/MO Ford Club annual car show this weekend at Jimmy Jone's pavilion. Expecting over 250 cars; money raised is put back in the community (shop with a cop program, IHCC Diesel Tech Program; IHCC Scholarships).

Mr. McGrory discussed the revised tennis court project; when we met last, council was supportive of doing the courts in a new location (the pit) but the following day, we found out CSO project is going through this same area. We believe we can put eight courts in this same area and not interfere with CSO project; requesting to do the two projects in unison. The revised plan for this project was approved by OCSD Brd. last night.

School personnel worked closely with PCC Sports and Burgmeier to make sure both projects could be done without any interference.

To allow further discussion, Galloway moved, seconded by McAntire to remove Resolution No. 122-2023, instituting proceedings to take additional action and approving the reallocation of certain unspent proceeds of the General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2022A of the City of Ottumwa, IA, off of the table. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Council debated, original intent for this project was 1/3 each \$ contribution for City, School and Friends of Ottumwa Parks; we want to make sure this project doesn't resurface to request additional funding from the City. Understand the urgency of the project from the schools perspective, but the City is also under EPA mandate to complete CSO project within a certain time frame; dangerous to make a decision without having some sort of written proof that there won't be another issue happen because of this that will cost taxpayers more money. Rath added the original ask was \$750,000 when location of courts was inside a

City park, moving it outside this area, the max. we can bond for is \$700,000, so add'l \$50,000 will need to be allocated from somewhere.

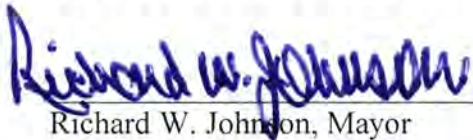
McAntire moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 122-2023, instituting proceedings to take add'l action and approving reallocation of certain unspent proceeds of General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2022A of the City of Ottumwa, IA, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

McAntire will miss both mtgs. in September.

There being no further business, Galloway moved, seconded by McAntire that the mtg. adjourn. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: Pope.

Adjournment was at 7:04 P.M.

CITY OF OTTUMWA, IOWA

  
Richard W. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Christina Reinhard, CMC, City Clerk

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