

REGULAR MEETING NO. 11
Bridge View Center, 102 Church St.

March 19, 2024
5:30 O'Clock P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

Present were Council Member Galloway, Hoffman, McAntire, Caviness, Bossou and Mayor Johnson.

McAntire moved, seconded by Galloway to approve consent agenda items with removal of B-8, Res. No. 75-2024; Mins. from Regular Mtg. No. 10 on March 5, 2024 as presented; Ack. and approve March 19, 2024 Claims List and Feb. Prepaid Claims submitted by Finance; Civil Service Elig. List for March 5, 2024: Police Officer Ent.; Auth. Mayor to sign lease agt. between the City and Adult Softball League for 2024 season; Order Accepting Ack./Settlement Agt. Affirmative Defense between City of Ottumwa and MAD Ave Quik Shop (405 S. Madison Ave.); Order Accepting Ack./Settlement Agt. between City of Ottumwa and U.S. Smoke Shop #1 (610 Church St.); Order Accepting Ack./Settlement Agt. between City of Ottumwa and Ross Tobacco Shop LLC (129 E. Second St.); Res. No. 76-2024, updating auth. Signatories for Checks, Wire Transfers and Investment Purchases and Sales in Accordance with City Investment Policy; Beer and/or liquor applications for: Pizza Hut, 1247 Theater Dr.; all applications pending final inspections. All ayes.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman to approve agenda as presented. All ayes.

City Admin. Rath explained, both he and HR got a little bit ahead of themselves in attempting to streamline the process for the Collective Bargaining Agt. Items I-1, I-2 and I-3 need to be clarified that tonight, council is only ratifying the tentative agt. that was approved by the bargaining units. Verified with labor attorney that council can take up consideration of the tentative agt. under the current agenda and ideally follow suit of the bargaining units and ratify the language. The City will forward a copy of the revised CBA to each bargaining unit for their signature and upon receipt, back to council for final adoption.

Ground breaking events for SEIA Sports Commission for Indoor Sports Facility and competitive gym at OHS; excitement of RAGBRAI coming in July. Great positives for our community.

Marc Roe, Executive Dir., Greater Ottumwa Partners in Progress, provided quarterly update.

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 on proposal to convey certain real property, 119 N. Ward, Ottumwa, Wapello County, IA. No objections rec'd. Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 62-2024, approving and auth. conveyance of certain real property, 119 N. Ward to Michael and April Shilkus, for \$250, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing on proposal to convey certain real property to The Wapello County Historical Society. No objections rec'd. Hoffman moved, seconded by McAntire to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Bossou that Res. No. 64-2024, approving and auth. conveyance of certain real property to The Wapello County Historical Society, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing on the revision of Lease Agt. between the City and Musco Sports Lighting, LLC. No objections rec'd. Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 70-2024, approving and auth. revision of Lease Agt. between the City and Musco Sports Lighting, LLC, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing on consideration of Ground Lease Agt. between the City and Southeast Iowa Sports Commission for the construction of an Indoor Sports Facility. No objections rec'd. Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 77-2024, approving Ground Lease Agt. between the City and SEIA Sports Commission for construction of Indoor Sports Facility, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Hoffman moved, seconded by McAntire to pass second consideration of Ord. No. 3224-2024, an Ord. permitting Class B Master Electricians to perform electrical work in the City of Ottumwa by Repealing and Replacing Section 13-5 of the Municipal Code of the City of Ottumwa, Wapello County, IA. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to pass first consideration of Ord. No. 3225-2024, an Ord. Adopting Temp. Regulations for the Des Moines Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa's Overnight Stay in Ottumwa to be Effective July 24, 25, and 26, 2024. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire to auth. Mayor to sign Order Assessing Penalty – 2nd Violation with Yesway #1014 located at 502 W. 2nd St. Admin. Hearing read by City Clerk. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire to approve MOU between Wapello County EMA and the City for Community Responder Public Access AED/STB Program and auth. Mayor to sign. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to approve grant submission of State & Community Hwy. Safety Grant FY2025 application to the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 57-2024, approval of Collective Bargaining Agt. between the City and Teamsters Local 238, representing PW, Parks, Airport and Cemetery employees, be passed and adopted. HR Dir. Codjoe and Rath explained, this is actually a two-step process; this resolution ratifies the tentative agt. with the Union and the final Collective Bargaining Agt. will be presented at a later date. The union employees covered under this bargaining unit were given two proposals; adopting the wages identified in the comp. handbook or retain certain language within the contract and have 3.2% COLA each year. Codjoe further explained that Mike Galloway was the attorney the city worked with; he represents about 90% of the cities in Iowa for union negotiations so he is well versed in the process. Council person Galloway stated, when it comes down to it, the voting members of each union did agree to the terms before us; want to make sure all people at negotiations are ready to work together. Bossou added, that's the beauty and downfall of the union; if not all options are presented to you, challenge those reps; take that opportunity to advocate for yourself. McAntire added, frustrations coming from employees because they shouldn't have to give up something in order to receive a pay

increase. Hoffman added, there's still a level of mistrust between mgmt. and labor; admin. staff needs to work hard to try and bridge this gap. Vote taken; all ayes.

Hoffman moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 58-2024, approval of Collective Bargaining Agt. between the City and Teamsters Local 238, representing Municipal employees, be passed and adopted. Same as previous resolution; this ratifies the tentative agt. with the Union with the final CBA presented at a later date. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 69-2024, approval of Collective Bargaining Agt. between the City and Ottumwa Assoc. of Prof. Firefighters Local 395, Int. Assoc. of Firefighters (AFL-CIO-CIC), representing City Fire Dept. employees, be passed and adopted. Same as previous two resolutions; this ratifies tentative agt. with the Union with the final CBA presented at a later date. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 71-2024, awarding contract for 2024 Asphalt St. Repair Project to Norris Asphalt Paving Co., LC of Ottumwa, IA, in the amt. \$1,534,812.50, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 72-2024, awarding S. Milner (Portafield to Hand) St. Reconstruction Project to Drish Construction, Inc. of Fairfield, IA, in the amt. \$887,685.30, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 73-2024, awarding contract for Albia Rd. N. Quincy Ave. Roundabout Project to Wicks Construction, Inc., of Decorah, IA, in the amt. \$777,949.30, be passed and adopted. All ayes.


Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 74-2024, recommitting to Trail Ext. and Approving Iowa's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Application for Oxbow Lagoon Link Trail and auth. Mayor to sign, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire that Res. No. 78-2024, approving bid from Cunningham Recreation for Gametime Playground Equip. for Ottumwa Park, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

There being no further business, Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway to adjourn. All ayes.

Adjournment was at 7:45 P.M.

CITY OF OTTUMWA, IOWA


Richard W. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Christina Reinhard, CMC, City Clerk

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