

City of Indianola - Regular Session – August 2, 2021

The Indianola City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on August 2, 2021 in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Pam Pepper called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Heather Hulen, John Parker, Bob Kling, Gwen Schroder, Greta Southall, Greg Marchant and Mayor Pepper. Absent: None.

Approval of claims and agenda item 5G – Resolution 2021-178 authorizing the Mayor to sign the application on the City's behalf regarding the Economic Development Financial Assistance for Cemen Tech Inc with the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) for assistance under the High-Quality Jobs Program (HQJP) were pulled from the consent agenda. Council Member Marchant moved to approve the consent agenda and Hulen seconded the motion. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously. The consent agenda was as follows:

- Approval of agenda
- July 19, 2021 Minutes.
- A renewal of a refuse hauling permit for Wiegert Disposal.
- Resolution 2021-176 approving Change Order Number 1 for the WRRF Influent Trunk Sewer from Langman Construction in a credit amount of \$7,685.24.
- Resolution 2021-177 approving the purchase of cardiac monitors.
- Third consideration of a proposed Ordinance establishing the street grades for the East Iowa Avenue Paving Project.
- Third consideration of an Ordinance approving amendments to Chapter 27 of the City Code (Art Commission).
- Resolution 2021-179 approving the updated Official Zoning Map.
- Resolution 2021-180 approving salaries.

Southall moved to approve the claims on the computer printout for August 2, 2021 and Marchant seconded the motion. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Parker due to a conflict of interest. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion approved.

Kling moved to approve Resolution 2021-178 authorizing the Mayor to sign the application on the City's behalf regarding the Economic Development Financial Assistance for Cemen Tech Inc with the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) for assistance under the High-Quality Jobs Program (HQJP). Southall seconded the motion. In discussion, it was noted that City staff has been working with the Greater Des Moines Partnership and Cemen Tech on a development agreement. The application states the City has to commit to a match for financial assistance using TIF as a rebate. Council Member Kling amended his motion to be contingent upon a development agreement being signed by both parties. Southall seconded the motion. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pepper reported that the City's credit rating of Aa2 was confirmed due to steady growth and strong reserves. She also mentioned the rental inspection program meetings will be held on August 5 and 12, 2021 and that the City is implementing the plan to utilize the ARP fund money.

Mayor Pepper read a Proclamation declaring August 9 as Book Lovers Day in Indianola.

Marchant moved and Parker seconded to approve Resolution 2021-181 accepting the low bid on the purchase of streetlights for the Square Reconstruction Project. In discussion, Community and Economic Director Charlie Dissell stated the contract with Absolute Concrete did not include streetlights. The bid from Border States came in over budget. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Southall introduced the first consideration of a proposed Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Indianola, Iowa, by adding provisions pertaining to a new Chapter on Human Relations Commission and moved for its adoption. Council Member Hulen seconded the motion. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-182 approving the purchase of an ambulance was introduced on a motion by Kling and seconded by Parker. In discussion, Fire Chief Chia stated the ambulance will replace a 2012 ambulance, which will then be sold. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Marchant moved to approve Resolution 2021-183 approving the Preliminary Official Statement for 2021 GO Bond Series and Hulen seconded the motion. In discussion, City Clerk/CFO Andrew Lent explained this is the first step for Council to take in obtaining a bond series. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Schroder and seconded by Southall to approve the first consideration of an Ordinance repealing Chapter 145 — Manufactured and Mobile Homes, Chapter 146 — Mobile Home Parks, and Chapter 164 — Small Wind Energy Conversion Systems. In discussion, Dissell clarified that the codes have been moved to another chapter, necessitating the need to repeal these chapters. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Southall moved and Parker seconded to approve the first consideration of an Ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Indianola, Iowa amending Stormwater Management Fees. In discussion, Dissell stated a code change is necessary to create a minimum of one ERU/metered unit for multi-residential homes due to the billing system not allowing a lesser amount. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-184 approving the Skate Park Graffiti Wall Policy was introduced on a motion by Southall and seconded by Parker. In discussion, Parks and Recreation Director Doug Bylund observed this is an opportunity for kids and young adults to show their artistic skills. He will work with the High School Art Club through the Indianola Public Art Commission. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Kling moved and Schroder seconded to receive and file correspondence from July 16 and 23, 2021 weekly updates provided by City Manager, Ryan Waller. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Southall moved to enter into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session at 6:21 pm. Marchant seconded the motion. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

At 6:56 pm Marchant moved, and Parker seconded to exit the closed session. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken on items discussed in the closed session.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm on a motion by Marchant and seconded by Southall.

Pam Pepper, Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrew J. Lent, City Clerk/CFO