

City of Indianola - Regular Session – February 1, 2021

The Indianola City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on February 1, 2021, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Pam Pepper called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: John Parker, Bob Kling, and Mayor Pepper and via Zoom Heather Hulen, Gwen Schroder, Greta Southall and Greg Marchant. Absent: None.

In Public Comment Michelle Steen, 610 E Scenic Valley Ave, spoke about placement of the Post Office mailboxes, questions that need to be considered if scooters are allowed, and suggested the City consider acquiring County property as the county outgrows spaces.

Council Member Parker moved to approve the consent agenda and Kling 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
- Claims on the computer printout for February 1, 2021.
- January 19, 2021 Minutes.
- Resolution 2021-020 setting a Public Hearing on the maximum property tax dollars for the City of Indianola's FY22 budget.
- Resolution 2021-021 ordering construction of certain public improvements and fixing a date for hearing and taking of bids. (Moats Park Restrooms)
- Resolution 2021-022 fixing date for a meeting on the proposition to authorize a Loan and Disbursement Agreement and the issuance of Notes to evidence the obligations of the City thereunder.
- Consideration of a renewal Class C liquor license with outdoor service and Sunday sales privileges for Rominger Family LLC, DBA On the Rocks, located at 100 N Howard Street.
- Consideration of a renewal Class C Liquor License with Sunday sales privileges for Deng's Garden of Indianola, located at 312 N Jefferson Way.
- Approval of Pay Application No 8 from Vanderpool Construction, Inc for the Quail Meadows 3 Lift Station and Sewer Improvements project in the amount of \$55,121.09.
- Second consideration of an Ordinance amending Chapter 151 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Indianola, making certain amendments to the adopted Residential Code.
- Approval of Urban Revitalization Designations.
- Resolution 2021-023 approving easements to allow construction of the Trunk Sewer project.
- Resolution 2021-024 approving the purchase of a 2021 Ford Explorer Utility vehicle for the Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$32,917.00.
- Resolution 2021-025 approving salaries.

Council Member Southall moved to approve the appointment of Jim Lindsley to serve on the Fine Arts and Beautification Commission for a term beginning immediately and ending on July 1, 2023 and Parker seconded the motion. Question was called for and on voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pepper reminded citizens the next Council meeting will be on Tuesday, February 16. The Civil and Human Rights Commission will meet next week. The Mayor thanked Country Financial for their contribution to the Police Department.

Community and Economic Development Director Charlie Dissell recalled for Council that Warren County requested the City split the costs of storm sewer improvements on North Buxton Street, adjacent to the Warren County Justice Center property. He explained the proposed agreement with the county will also be considered by the County at their next meeting, with work anticipated to begin on February 15. Council Member Kling moved and Parker seconded to approve Resolution 2021-026 approving a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Indianola and Warren County for temporary storm sewer repair work within the Square. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Parker moved to open the Public Hearing on an application for a State Revolving Fund loan and Kling seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously. City Clerk/CFO Andrew Lent explained the public hearing is for the second revenue note for the Water Resource Recovery Facility Project. Joe Frankl, HR Green, stated the Environmental Review Document is a required part of the hearing and needs to be considered before the project can move forward. No other public comments were offered, and the Deputy City Clerk reported no written comments had been submitted.

It was moved by Parker and seconded by Kling to close the Public Hearing. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Parker moved to open the Public Hearing on the authorization of a loan agreement and the issuance of capital loan notes and Kling seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously. Mike Maloney, D.A. Davidson, stated this hearing is a preliminary step in the issuance of the capital loan notes so it can be considered in the FY22 budget. This is consistent with what has been discussed with the Council in the past. No other public comments were offered, and the Deputy City Clerk reported no written comments had been submitted.

It was moved by Parker and seconded by Kling to close the Public Hearing. 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 Kling and seconded by Parker to approve Resolution 2021-027 instituting proceedings to take additional action for the issuance of not to exceed \$7,500,000 general obligation capital loan notes. 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 2021-28 authorizing the issuance of \$6,755,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2021, and levying a tax for the payment thereof was introduced on a motion by Southall and seconded by Hulen. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Ryan Waller reported to the Council that local businesses have asked for time to review the Indianola Supplement to SUDAS before it is adopted. Council Member Parker moved and Southall seconded to postpone the consideration of a resolution adopting the 2021 City of Indianola

Supplement to the Statewide Urban Design and Specifications (SUDAS) to the February 16 meeting. 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 Hulen and seconded by Parker to approve Resolution 2021-029 approving a one-year farm lease with MZ Grain, LLC for the City Farm site. Water Resource Recovery Director Rick Graves stated there are 190 acres that will be rented and that he will continue to rent the land after the new plant is built. 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 2021-030 appointing the City of Indianola representation to the Warren County Joint 911 Service Board was introduced on a motion by Parker and seconded by Southall. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder, Southall and Marchant. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Lent reviewed the civic funding requests and asked for direction from Council on how to allocate the funds. Councilman Parker requested more time to make his decision. Councilwoman Southall asked if they could be provided a survey to allocate the funds. Lent will send that to Council and bring the agenda item back to the next meeting.

Council agreed in directing staff to raise the stormwater utility fee to \$6.00/ERU/month noting that it will help projects get completed in a timely and responsible manner. City Manager Waller stated the review of the infrastructure and an increase in the rate will help the City to plan for and address vital infrastructure issues.

Dissell gave a presentation on the proposed rental inspection program. Highlights of the presentation included possible code items, timeline to institute the program, frequency of inspections, fees, and employee duties.

Kling moved and Parker seconded to receive and file correspondence from January 15 and 22, 2021 weekly updates provided by City Manager, Ryan Waller. Question was called for and on voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm on a motion by Parker and seconded by Kling.

Pam Pepper, Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrew J. Lent, City Clerk/CFO