

COUNCIL MEETING  
City of Chariton, Iowa  
January 3, 2023 5:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Chariton, Iowa, met in regular session in the Council Chambers in City Hall of said City and via remote communications through GoToMeeting on January 3, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hoch. Present for the meeting were Council Members Stephen Fenton, Jayma Hoch, David Kuball, Michael Loew, and Jarrett McGee. Absent - None.

Also present for the meeting was City Manager Laura Liegois, City Clerk Christy Metzger, Building Official/Code Enforcement Officer Shawn Werts, Fire Chief Steve Davis and Police Chief Jeff Johnson.

It was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, to approve the January 3, 2023, Council meeting agenda. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Loew, seconded by Kuball, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting held on December 19, 2022. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Loew, that the resolution authorizing the payment of claims be adopted. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

Thereupon the Mayor declared the resolution duly adopted and numbered 2023-01 and signed her approval thereto.

Alicia McGee, Alyse Hunter, Ray Meyer and Denny Bisgard were present at the meeting to discuss with the Council the application requirements to apply for a Catalyst Grant through Iowa Economic Development Authority for the Palmer Building located at 116 North Grand Street. After discussion, it was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, to approve the City writing a letter of support and pledging the \$25,000 that was to be used for a match to the Challenge Grant, that was not awarded to the Chariton Area Chamber Main Street, be used towards the Catalyst Grant. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: Hoch

The Council Member announced that, on December 19, 2022, the City Council had given its initial consideration and had placed on file an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 602 Designating the Area Within the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Chariton as an Urban Revitalization Area and Adoption an Urban Revitalization Plan for the Area." It was moved by Council Member Loew and seconded by Council Member Kuball that the aforementioned ordinance be given its second consideration and that it be

placed on file. The Mayor put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Council Members voted:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

The Council Member announced that, on December 19, 2022, the City Council had given its initial consideration and had placed on file an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Designating an Area of Chariton, Iowa, as the Chariton Urban Revitalization Area." It was moved by Council Member Fenton and seconded by Council Member McGee that the aforementioned ordinance be given its second consideration and that it be placed on file.

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

After having been read and approved on its second reading, it was moved Loew, seconded by Kuball, that an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15.18 of the Chariton Municipal Code Regarding Rental Housing in the City of Chariton, Iowa", be given its third reading and placed on file. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

After having been read and approved on its third reading, it was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, that the above ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15.18 of the Chariton Municipal Code Regarding Rental Housing in the City of Chariton, Iowa", be adopted. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

Thereupon the Mayor declared the ordinance duly adopted and numbered 935 and signed her approval thereto.

It was moved by Hoch, seconded by Kuball, to approve the Service Contract for Rental Property Inspection Services between the City of Chariton and Iowa Inspections, LLC, as presented. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Loew, to approve Pay Application Number Ten (10), in the amount of \$166,372.54, to WRH, Inc., for work completed on the Sewage Treatment Plant Improvements - Chariton, Iowa. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Hoch, seconded by Kuball, that a resolution entitled, "Resolution Naming Depositories of City Funds and Setting Amount of Maximum Deposits", be adopted. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee

Nay: None

Thereupon the Mayor declared the resolution duly adopted and numbered 2023-02 and signed her approval thereto.

It was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, that a resolution entitled, "A Resolution Naming the Chariton Leader as Official Newspaper for the City of Chariton, Iowa", be adopted. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

Thereupon the Mayor declared the resolution duly adopted and numbered 2022-03 and signed her approval thereto.

It was moved by Loew, seconded by Fenton, to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Bruce Taylor to the Cemetery Advisory Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2027. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Kuball, seconded by Loew, to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Lowell Wiele to the Board of Adjustment with a term to expire December 31, 2027. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Evelyn Hull to the Water Board to fill a vacancy to expire December 31, 2025. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Carl Tubbs to the Water Board to fill a vacancy to expire December 31, 2028. The roll was called the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by McGee, seconded by Loew, that pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(c), the Council hold a closed session to discuss strategy with Counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

At 5:46 p.m., the Council went into closed session.

After a motion and vote, the Mayor declared the meeting open at 6:12 p.m.

It was moved by Hoch, seconded by Kuball, to direct the City Attorney and City staff to prepare the necessary documents to proceed with the 657A action against the property located at 211 North Main Street. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

It was moved by Loew, seconded by Kuball, that pursuant to Iowa Code Section 20.17(3), the Council hold a closed session for collective bargaining negotiations. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

At 6:19 p.m., the Council went into closed session.

After a motion and vote, the Mayor declared the meeting open at 6:35 p.m.

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Loew, to direct the City Manager to proceed with the Wage Schedule for Fiscal Year 2024 as presented and a five-percent wage increase for union-eligible employees. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Fenton, seconded by Loew, that the meeting be adjourned until 5:00 p.m., January 16, 2023, in the Council Chambers in City Hall, Chariton, Iowa. The roll was called and the vote was:

Aye: Fenton, Hoch, Kuball, Loew, McGee  
Nay: None

The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

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Christy Metzger  
City Clerk