

COUNCIL MEETING
City of Chariton, Iowa
April 1, 2024 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 on April 1, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hoch. Present for the meeting were Council Members Stephen Fenton, David Kuball, Jayma Hoch, Jarrett McGee and Gary Shutt. Absent - None.

Also present for the meeting was City Attorney Verle Norris, City Clerk Christy Metzger, Building and Code Enforcement Officer Shawn Werts, Parks and Recreation Director Hannah McGourty, Fire Chief Steve Davis and Police Sergeant Dustin Wickett.

Mayor Hoch requested that item G, Discussion and Consideration of Approval of Employee Policy Manual for the Vredenburg-Chariton Aquatic Center, be moved to the beginning of New Business. It was moved by Shutt, seconded by McGee, to approve the April 1, 2024, Council meeting agenda with that change. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by McGee, seconded by Kuball, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the approval of the minutes of the City Council meetings held on March 18, 2024 and March 25, 2024, and approval of a Class C Retail Alcohol License for Hy-Vee, Inc., d/b/a Hy-Vee Market Cafe, located at 2001 Court Avenue, Cafe Area. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

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

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

Thereupon the Mayor declared the resolution duly adopted and numbered 2024-16 and signed her approval thereto.

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

McGourty presented the Employee Policy Manual for the Vredenburg-Chariton Aquatic Center. After discussion, it was moved by Fenton, seconded by Kuball, to approve the manual as presented. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

After discussion in regard to the proposed 2024-2025 fiscal year budget, it was moved by McGee, seconded by Shutt, that the Council fix the time and place for a Public Hearing to be held on the 2024-2025 City Budget as April 15, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers in City Hall, Chariton, Iowa, and that the Clerk be directed to publish the notice of hearing and budget estimate as required by law showing the estimated total tax levy rate per \$1,000 valuation on regular property as 17.87619 and on Agricultural land as 3.00375 per \$1,000 valuation. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on the property located at 709 North 14th Street. Tim Franchuk was present at the meeting to answer any questions the Council may have had. After discussion, it was moved by Fenton, seconded by McGee, that all the requirements of the contract have been met and to direct the City Attorney to prepare a Quit Claim Deed in fulfillment of the contract to Tim Franchuk. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Sue Terrell and Karen Patterson, members of the Lucas County Genealogical Society, were present at the meeting to ask the Council's permission to use a ground penetrating radar at the Chariton Cemetery. After discussion, it was moved by Shutt, seconded by Kuball, to have the City Attorney and City Clerk work out the details of the Society using the radar on public property. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Hoch, that a resolution entitled, "Resolution of the City of Chariton, Iowa, Concerning Public Hearing Regarding Nuisance Abatement - the North Half of Lot 10 in Block 31 in Coolbaugh and Brooks' Addition to the Town of Chariton, Lucas County, Iowa", be adopted, the same being a resolution setting the date and time of April 15, 2024 at 5:00 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 115 South Main Street, to hold a public hearing to determine if the property located at 1106 Green Avenue should be considered a nuisance. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Thereupon the Mayor declared the resolution duly adopted and numbered 2024-17 and signed her approval thereto.

It was moved by Kuball, seconded by Shutt, to approve waiving all building permit fees for 116 North Grand Street. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Shutt, to approve an Excavator's, Drain Layer's and Sidewalk Layer's License for Donnie McGee, Chariton. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on proposed changes to the Chariton Municipal Code Chapter 12.08 Sidewalks. After discussion, it was moved by Hoch, seconded by McGee, to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for review. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on proposed changes to the Chariton Municipal Code Chapter 15 Building and Structures. After discussion, it was moved by McGee, seconded by Shutt, to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for review. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on proposed changes to the Chariton Municipal Code Chapter 13.08 Sewer Regulations. After discussion, it was moved by Shutt, seconded by Kuball, to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for review. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on proposed changes to the Chariton Municipal Code Chapter 2.36 Fire Department. After discussion, it was moved by Shutt, seconded by Fenton, to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for review. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Fenton, seconded by Shutt, that the meeting be adjourned until 5:00 p.m., April 15, 2024, in the Council Chambers in City Hall, Chariton, Iowa. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

The meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Christy Metzger
City Clerk