

COUNCIL MEETING
City of Chariton, Iowa
June 19, 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 June 19, 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, Street Superintendent Dave VanRyswyk, Parks and Recreation Director Hannah McGourty and Police Chief Jeff Johnson.

It was moved by Loew, seconded by Kuball, to approve the June 19, 2023, Council meeting agenda. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Caroline Sealine, 25046 530th Avenue, was present during public comment to voice her concern about not having a veterinarian clinic in town and encouraging the Council to contact the state representatives.

It was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting held on June 5, 2023, approval of a 5-Day Special Class C Retail Alcohol License with outdoor service for Cater 2 U, LLC, located at 1200 Braden Avenue, and approval of Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Permits for the following businesses:

Hy-Vee, Inc. d/b/a Hy-Vee, 2001 Court Avenue
Chariton BP, 107 East Grace Avenue
Casey's Marketing Co., d/b/a Casey's General Store #22, 1421 Court Avenue
Casey's Marketing Co., d/b/a Casey's General Store #3032, 335 North Main Street
Casey's Marketing Co., d/b/a Casey's General Store #1499, 418 South 7th Street
J&S Convenience, LLC, d/b/a New Star, located at 1155 North 7th Street
Dollar General Store #2262, 1635 Court Avenue
Family Dollar Stores of Iowa, LLC, d/b/a Family Dollar #29390, 307 North Grand Street

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 2023-40 and signed her approval thereto.

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Hoch, to approve the Treasurer's May 2023 Financial Reports. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Doug Luzbetak, HLW Engineering Group, was present at the meeting to give the Council an update on the Lucas-Monroe Sanitary Landfill. The current closure permit is set to expire April 9, 2024.

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Kuball, to approve a two-year agreement with HLW Engineering Group for engineering services associated with the Lucas-Monroe Sanitary Landfill. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on the property located at 709 North 14th Street. Tim Franchuk was present at the meeting to give the Council an update on the progress they have been making on the property. After discussion, it was moved by McGee, seconded by Hoch, to extend the agreement with Franchuk to March 2024 as long as progress continues. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Kuball, that a resolution entitled, "Resolution Approving Interfund Transfers for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023", 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 2023-41 and signed her approval thereto.

It was moved by Loew, seconded by Fenton, to approve pay Application Number Three (3), to Greenfield Contractors, LLC., for work completed on the Salt Storage Building, in the amount of \$18,931.23. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on some playground equipment at Northwest Park that is needing some repairs and matting to be added under the playground equipment. After discussion, it was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, to approve the repairs on the leg of the swing, replace a set of stairs and several new decks and risers, in the amount of \$9,549.00, and to wait on the matting until the Vredenburg Grant funds are awarded. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by Loew, seconded by Fenton, to approve the grant application to the Vredenburg Foundation, in the amount of \$25,000.00, for playground matting at Northwest Park. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by Hoch, seconded by Kuball, to approve the grant application to the Vredenburg Foundation, in the amount of \$25,000.00, for updates on flooring, window treatments and locker room improvements. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by Loew, seconded by Hoch, that a resolution entitled, "Resolution to Waive Building Permit Fees for New Single-Family Homes for Permits Issued During Fiscal Year 2024 in 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 2023-42 and signed her approval thereto.

It was moved by Loew, seconded by McGee, to approve the application for an Excavator's, Drain Layer's and Sidewalk Layer's License for Cromer Contracting, Chariton, Iowa. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by McGee, seconded by Kuball, to approve the application for an Excavator's, Drain Layer's and Sidewalk Layer's License for Daniel Halterman, Chariton, Iowa. 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 an application to Iowa Thriving Communities, made available through Iowa Finance Authority and Iowa Economic Development Authority, which if awarded the designation, would be an incentive to attract housing opportunities. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

Discussion was held on an agreement received from Garden and Associates, Oskaloosa, Iowa, for engineering services for the Court Avenue project. After

discussion, it was moved by Fenton, seconded by Kuball, to approve the agreement with Garden and Associates, in the amount of \$725,000.00, for engineering services of Court Avenue. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

It was moved by Hoch, seconded by Kuball, to approve a grant application to the Iowa Department of Transportation's Safe Streets for All, with a request of up to \$200,000.00, to assist with the planning and design of the sidewalks and crosswalks along Court Avenue. 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 pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i), the Council hold a closed session 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. The roll was called and the vote was:

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

At 6:31 p.m., the Council went into closed session.

After a motion and vote, the Mayor declared the meeting open at 7:47 p.m.

It was moved by Fenton, seconded by Loew, to authorize a six and one-half percent pay increase for Laura Liegois, City Manager, to \$106,500 per year, effective July 1, 2023. 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 Kuball, that the meeting be adjourned until 5:00 p.m., July 3, 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 7:49 p.m.

Christy Metzger
City Clerk