

STORY CITY, IOWA

December 18, 2017

Mayor Jensen called the regular council meeting to order on Monday, December 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Clerk Nichols swore in Mike Jensen(Mayor), Dave Sporleder, Chris Crutchfield, and Mary Kay Solberg(Council Members) for Oath of Office.

Present: Mayor Jensen, Administrator Jackson, Council Members: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Absent: CM Triggs and Attorney Larson.

Also present: Matt Patton, Michaela Carlson, Tammy Hansen, Jeff Janes, Marc Soderstrum, Mike Retallick, Brian Petersen, Tyler Fredrickson, and Bruce Henrichs(Street Supt.).

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Phillips , to approve the amended agenda by adding **Mayor and City Council Agenda Items: C) Residential Tax Abatement-1311 Jacobson Dr.**

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Ostrem , to approve the December 4, 2017 regular meeting minutes.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

CITIZEN APPEARANCE

A) Matt Patton-Roland-Story Community School Bond Vote

Matt Patton(Supt. Roland-Story High School), was present to review with council the plans for the proposed new stadium complex. Marc Soderstrum spoke in favor of the new stadium and stated he was hoping the community will support it. Mr. Patton gave information on why to move the football/track/marching band complex to a new location such as: Safety, Space Issues, Flooding, and Environmental Issues, along with council discussion and questions.

Mr. Patton thanked council for giving him the opportunity to present the plans. Council thanked Matt for coming.

LEGAL ITEMS

A) ORDINANCE NO. 265-INCREASING SEWER SERVICE BASE RATES BY AMENDING SECTION 99.07 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

Administrator Jackson presented a ordinance for consideration to increase the sewer service base rate in order to pay for needed improvements at the wastewater treatment plant. Administrator Jackson stated the base rate would be increased by \$3 effective with the February 2018 sewer bill; a \$3 increase effective with the January 2019 sewer bill; and a \$3 increase effective with the January 2020 bill. Administrator Jackson informed council there are approximately 1,300 customers and every \$3 dollar increase generates approximately \$3,900 per month or \$46,800 in a 12 month period. Approximately \$140,400 additional revenue will be generated per fiscal year once the base rate increase is fully implemented. A bond of approximately \$1.2 million will have an average bond payment of \$120,000 over a 15 year period.

The foregoing Ordinance No. 265 was considered for the first time by the city council on December 18, 2017. The first reading was moved by councilperson Sporleder, and seconded by councilperson Ostrem.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

B) RESOLUTION NO. 17-66 AUTHORIZING INTERNAL TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DEBT FOR THE I-35 BUSINESS PARK SPECULATIVE BUILDING PROJECT

Administrator Jackson informed council the I-35 Business Park Speculative Building is located within the Urban Renewal Area and in order to make the cost of the project eligible to be paid from increment property tax revenues, it is necessary to create an internal debt. Administrator Jackson stated \$75,000 will be advanced to the I-35 Business Park fund from the Hospital fund for the project. The advance will be treated as a loan and will be repaid to the Hospital Fund from future Tax Increment revenues from the Story City Urban Renewal Area.

Motion by Crutchfield, seconded by Phillips, to approve a Resolution Authorizing Internal Tax Increment Financing Debt for the I-35 Business Park Speculative Building Project.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A) REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE MICHEAL WRIGHT FOR STREET DEPARTMENT POSITION

Superintendent Bruce Henrichs was present requesting council approval to hire Michael Wright for replacement of Jeff Wirth when he retires in the spring. After discussion CM Phillips made a motion to hire Michael Wright for Jeff Wirth's replacement in the street department, seconded by Sporleder.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

B) REVIEW AND ACCEPT AUDIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017

Administrator Jackson reviewed with council the audit for year ending June 30, 2017.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Crutchfield, to Accept the Audit for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None

Motion carried.

C) APPROVE CONSTRUCTION PAY APPLICATION NO. 3 FOR THE NORTH PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Ostrem, to approve Construction Pay Application No. 3 for the North Park Improvements Project in the amount of \$259,517.37

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

PERMITS

A) LIQUOR:

1. DINNERS BY DAWN-516 BROAD

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Sporleder, to approve Permits: Liquor-Dinners By Dawn-516 Broad.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

A) CONSIDERATION FOR GRANTING CITY EMPLOYEES DAY OFF ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 22ND

Clerk Nichols stated the city employees receive a half day off for Christmas Eve and is requesting council consideration to approve city employees to have the whole day off on Friday, December 22, 2017 since Christmas Eve lands on Sunday.

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Crutchfield, to give City Employees the day off on Friday December 22, 2017.

Aye: Crutchfield and Sporleder.

Nay: Ostrem and Phillips.

Motion denied.

B) SCHEDULE NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR JANUARY 2, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.

Motion by Sporleder , seconded by Phillips, to approve Next City Council Meeting for January 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

C) RESIDENTIAL TAX ABATEMENT-1311 JACOBSON DR.

Motion by Crutchfield, seconded by Ostrem, to approve tax abatement for Ryan and Amber Peterson-1311 Jacobson Dr.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Crutchfield, and Sporleder.

Nay: None.

Motion carried.

There being no further business before council the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Dena Nichols, City Clerk

Mike Jensen, Mayor