

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WITH PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Sabula City Council was held August 25, 2020. In order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this meeting of the Sabula City Council was held electronically. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, which is certainly true during this crisis. The agenda and the City's social media had this message posted 24 hours in advance to give instructions on how others could participate in the meeting: You may access the meeting the following ways: Phone in option 312/626-6799 Meeting ID 849 4520 4123 Passcode 424974 or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84945204123?pwd=YkRDOXFIWndCWVc3dkdKeFpPY2lldz09> Meeting ID 849 4520 4123 Passcode: AUQ32V

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Teena Franzen, Dave Ward, Pat Meyers and Rich Epich. Lynn Parker, Wendy Hoertz, Travis Woodhurst, Dave Ackerman, Dane Johnson and Robert McGee. Absent: Troy Hansen and Henry Kramer.

Mayor Pro Tem Franzen called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

Public Hearing

P. Meyers made a motion: seconded by R. Epich to open public hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

Solicitation of comments for the Adoption of the City of Sabula Code of Ordinances. No comments were received in the office.

P. Meyers made a motion to close public hearing; seconded by R. Epich. All ayes. Motion carried.

Regular Council Meeting

R. Epich made a motion to open the regular council meeting; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deletions - None

Citizen Concerns- The city had received a complaint regarding the public dock not being out. Another complaint had been received about 410 Pearl Street. The complainant is asking why it was necessary to have 3 semi-trailers, 2 non-running boats, a dump truck and several non-licensed vehicles on the property. It was stated that Curt's business is no longer there so why does the City allow the items to sit there. Chief McPherson stated that all registrations were up to date. Mayor Pro Tem Franzen suggested that we give him a time line to get the plates put on.

Agenda

Approve minutes

Motion was made by R. Epich; seconded by D. Ward to approve the minutes for 7/28/20. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approve claims

R. Epich made a motion to approve the bills and payroll for August; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

1st Reading of Ordinance 1-2020

A motion was made by R. Epich; seconded by D. Ward to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance 1-2020, Sabula Code of Ordinance. All ayes. Motion carried.

Waive 2nd and 3rd Reading of Ordinance 1-2020

Motion made by R. Epich; seconded by D. Ward to waive the 2nd and 3rd Reading of Ordinance 1-2020. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ordinance 1-2020

Motion made by R. Epich; seconded by D. Ward to approve Ordinance 1-2020 Sabula Code of Ordinances. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1218, Resolution to Approve Refuse Rates

R. Epich made a motion to approve Resolution #1218, Approve Refuse Rates; seconded by D. Ward. This is for the yearly 3% increase. All ayes. Motion carried.

Quote from LL Pelling

A motion was made by R. Epich to approve a bid from LL Pelling in the amount of \$15,153.75 for chip seal on selected streets; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Quote from LL Pelling

A motion was made by R. Epich to approve the quote from LL Pelling for repair on South Avenue; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried. This will be paid with FEMA funds in the amount of \$2,515.55.

Liquor license

A motion was made by R. Epich to approve the VFW liquor license; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

VFW Pump storm lid

P. Meyers made a motion to approve the quote for a lid for the VFW storm water lift station from Mississippi Valley Pump in the amount of \$2,275.00; seconded by R. Epich. All ayes. Motion carried. FEMA has provided funds in the amount of \$3,189.62.

VFW Storm lift station

We had received a quote for a new storm water pump at the VFW lift station. This item will be tabled for further discussion.

Resolution #1217, Street Financial Report

R. Epich made a motion to approve Resolution #1217, Filing of the 2020 Street Financial Report; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1214

A motion was made by R. Epich to approve Resolution#1214, To Purchase a 2006 Ford Crowne Victoria Police Interceptor and park it up by the bridge; seconded by P. Meyers. Ayes: R. Epich, P. Meyers and D. Ward. Nay: T. Franzen. Motion carried. There was discussion regarding where this vehicle would be parked. The City shed is full and we have one vehicle that sits out. Attorney R. McGee stated that he has sent a letter to CSL Iowa System regarding the property at 504 River and received no response. He stated that he would send out a Petition of Quiet Title for the property. He will keep us updated on the progress of the property.

Repair quote for Bobcat

R. Epich made a motion to approve the quote from Roeder Brothers for repair to the Bobcat in the amount of \$1,839.03; seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Halloween

This item was put on the agenda to see if Council wanted to allow Trick-or-Treating during the COVID Pandemic. Council stated that we should ask Missy Earles if she planned to do activities this year. Lynn will check with her and put the item on the agenda for September if need be.

Public Safety to the City of Miles

This item was tabled until a work session can be scheduled.

Police report

Chief McPherson gave the police report for July and August.

July: 21 miscellaneous calls, 1 assisted the Ambulance/Fire, 0 motor vehicle accidents, 3 assists with county, 7 arrest/police citations were processed, 3 pending, 6 warnings given with 2 further investigations.

August: 19 miscellaneous calls, 1 assisted the Ambulance/Fire, 0 motor vehicle accidents, 4 assists with county, 6 arrest/police citations were processed, 2 pending, 6 warnings given with 1 further investigation.

Place on file

P. Meyers made a motion to place on file the Sewer and Water Maintenance Report, Financial Statement and Expenditure and Revenue Report for July and Sabula's Water and Wastewater Report from Jim Merchie; seconded by R. Epich. All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting made by D. Ward and seconded by P. Meyers. All ayes. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned.

Teena Franzen, Mayor Pro Tem

Lynn Parker, City Clerk