

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 16, 2024, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Eberline. Present: Smith, Kuester (via online link), McDonald, Lamp and Rasmussen. Absent: None. Visitors: Rochelle McGarvey, Cassandra Jakoubek and family.

Rasmussen moved and McDonald seconded the approval of the meeting agenda with no conflicts of interest. No discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and Lamp seconded action to approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, September 9, 2024; approval of a 5-day liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies, 503 Wical Way, for September 24-29, 2024, for an event at Creekside; and approval of a 5-day liquor license for Top of Iowa Lucky Wife, for October 8-13, 2024, for Girls Night Out event; and approval of open burning notice from Monday, October 14, 2024, through Saturday, November 30, 2024, for yard waste; and approval to close from H Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Street intersection north to the alley for Kling Memorial Library to host a touch a truck event on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> from 7a-3:30p. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the discussion with Rochelle McGarvey, GCHS school representative, regarding usage of streets for the homecoming parade on Friday, September 20, 2024, from 1:45pm – 2:30pm. Approved route starts at the high school on M Avenue heading east to 6<sup>th</sup> Street; north to H Avenue heading west to 10<sup>th</sup> Street and heading south back to M Avenue. Rasmussen moved and Lamp seconded action to approve the request to use the route above for a homecoming parade. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and McDonald seconded action on Resolution 2024-56, a resolution authorizing the hire of Cassandra Jakoubek as a full-time Police Officer and set her wage. Eberline introduced Officer Jakoubek and commented she has been a certified officer with City of Waterloo for the last 5 ½ years, coming in with broad experience. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes. Chief Natvig swore in Officer Jakoubek.

Rasmussen moved and Kuester seconded action on Resolution 2024-57, a resolution to approve a variance to Dylan Ross, 1510 Laurel Ave, for the curb cut for the driveway. Bangasser commented on maximum width for an ordinance amendment that up to 42 feet is large. Smith moved and Rasmussen seconded action to amend the motion to increase this variance for Dylan Ross to allow a curb cut up to 42 feet. No further discussion, motions carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the discussion on Ordinance 578-Chapter 141.04 Driveway Requirements and possibly take action to publish for a public hearing on October 7, 2024. Darrel Shuey, Building Inspector, agreed that 42 feet was large enough. Kuester commented that more than that will limit the on-street parking next to parcels. Kuester moved and Lamp seconded action to publish for a public hearing on Ordinance 578 – Chapter 141.04 Driveway Requirements for October 7, 2024. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Lamp moved and McDonald seconded action on Resolution 2024-58, a resolution to accept a bid for demolition of the house at 401 I Avenue, Grundy Center. Bangasser explained two bids received: 1. Cooley Pumping - \$9,800; 2. Boulder Contracting - \$16,900. Both bids are to remove the house and basement and haul to landfill. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Rasmussen moved and Smith seconded action on Resolution 2024-59, a resolution accepting work covering the 2021 George Wilhelm Sports Complex project with Boulder Contracting, LLC and Ritland-Kuiper Landscaping Architects. Eberline commented that Finance Committee met and reviewed the pay applications and recommended paying these with Community Betterment funds. We now have a finished product for years to come. Kuester questioned if the warranty starts now that project is accepted. Bangasser explained it will start two years from this acceptance date. Rasmussen moved and Smith seconded to amend the resolution to accept the work on the project and pay Boulder Contracting, LLC and not to include Ritland-Kuiper until questions are answered on engineering invoice. No further discussion, motions carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the public forum at 6:52pm. No public comments, public forum closed at 6:53pm.

Finance Committee/Clerk made no further comments.

Public Safety Committee commented on discussions to start on services for Grundy Co Memorial Hospital and new furniture has arrived.

Public Works Committee commented on street sweeper and insurance claim, power washing and blasting crew for the swimming pool this week; and concrete dump is pretty full and may need to consider closing it down to

the public soon.

Rasmussen moved and Lamp seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:10pm. Motion carried five ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, October 7, 2024, at 6:30pm.

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Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk

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Dr. Paul Eberline, Mayor