

The Clear Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Lisa Lundberg presiding. Those present were Alderwomen Ramona Drake, Kelli Bauman and Rose Mack, Aldermen Harry Mewherter, Jonas Reppe and Rod Pauli. Also present were Mary Korth, Brandon Collins, Todd Boyd, Val Lundquist, Ken Reiste, Sarah Salzer, Pat Carey, Leigh Mellendorf, and David Roof. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to approve agenda as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded Mack to approve the consent agenda as follows: Minutes – Regular Meeting January 9, 2023; Monthly Financial Statements for the Month Ending January 31, 2023; Building Permits: Approved: Jason Vesco of Northwestern Energy – 18144 475th Ave – new substation by water tower; Delinquent Water Bills; Approval of Warrants. Approval of permits are subject to the condition that they are in accordance with all building codes and ordinances of the City. Upon roll-call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Warrants Approved: PAYROLL: Council 1350; Mayor 420.00; Finance 4541.67; Gen Gov't Building 239.55; Streets 3629.16; Snow 7978.62; Rubble Site 403.30; Library 3082.40; Community Center 135.24; Water 3828.75; Sewer 3806.95; Aflac 131.30; SD Retirement 3163.58; Health Pool of SD 8434.54; Delta Dental of SD 450.70; DNB-FICA/WH 6282.53. EXPENSES: A&B Business Solutions 268.95 Copier Contract, Appera 121.13 Janitorial, Automatic Transmission And Gea 2614.80 Transmission Repair, Avera Occ Medicine-Mitchell 234.00 Drug Testing, Banner Associates, Inc 16530.00 Facility Plans, Darren Barondeau 62.73 Travel And Supply Reimbursemen, Amy Bjerke 26.01 Building Permit Refund, Bjerke Sanitation 6757.46 Garbage Services, Bobcat Of Brookings 28.88 Repairs, Boyd Law Firm, Prof. L.L.C. 1765.25 Legal Fees And Expenses, Brookings-Deuel Rws 7911.40 Water Fees And Purchase, Clear Lake City Library 835.17 Books And Supplies, City Of Clear Lake 325.01 Water Utilities, Clear Lake Building Center 141.75 Snow Supplies, Clear Lake Courier 253.20 Publications, Cole Paper Inc. 643.90 Janitorial Supplies, Connecting Point 37.00 Monthly Backup, Deuel County Auditor 5901.97 Law Enforcement Contract, Deuel County Conservation Dist 1032.00 Trees For Crp, Deuel Co Motor Supply 71.39 Supplies, Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 3322.34 Fuel And Supplies, First Bank & Trust 1242.11 Credit Card Charges, First District Association Of 1500.00 Local Government Support, Fritz Chevy-Olds 158.32 Labor And Repairs, Karen Gray 200.00 Community Center Deposit Refun, H-D Electric Coop, Inc 272.81 Electric Energy, Hillyard/Sioux Falls 1342.12 Vacuums, Itc Telecom 691.22 Phone Utilities, Maynard's Food 28.96 Supplies, Menards 555.90 Supplies, Northwestern Energy 2107.04 Natural Gas Energy, Nosbush Plumbing & Heating 1867.35 Auto Flush For Buildings, Office Peeps 122.01 Office Supplies, Ottertail Power Co 4759.19 Electric Energy, Sd Department Of Health 30.00 Water Testing, South Dakota One Call 28.00 Locates, Sd State Treasurer (Sd Dor) 610.39 Sales Tax Due To State, Sodak Gardens 798.00 Liners For Baskets, Steve Rhody Services 40.00 Window Washing Services, Supreme Welding Inc 186.07 Labor And Supplies, United Rentals 20000.00 Generator Per Budget, United States Dept Of Ag 6107.00 Sewer Usda Loan.

No one appeared for public voice.

There was no unfinished business.

Mayor Lundberg called for the 6:50pm appointment as it was prior to 6:35pm for the bid opening. David Roof of Deuel Area Development Inc. (DADi) approached the council about the 2023

budget. The Council approved the 2023 budget which included the requested amount of \$12,000 to fund DADi which was to be paid in quarterly amounts of \$3000.00. In light of many new developments happening with the former Good Samaritan property, Roof explained they would like to receive the lump sum of \$12,000 in one check. Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Drake to pay the approved amount of \$12,000 to DADi in one lump sum in February, 2023. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The 6:55pm appointment was then called. Lisa Lundberg represented the Clear Lake Chamber of Commerce thanking the Council for purchasing the new liners for the Main Street flower planters and thanked City personnel for caring for the flowers. She asked if the City would again pay for half of the cost to plant the flowers. Motion by Drake, seconded by Reppe to pay for half of the cost of the Main Street flowers shared with the Chamber of Commerce. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

At 6:35pm bid opening was held for the Water Main Project for 800 block of North Street West. Only one bid was submitted to the City. Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Mack to accept the bid and award the bid to D&L Digging Inc. in the amount of \$64,500.00 for the water main project for 800 block of North Street West. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to convene as the Board of Adjustment. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Pat Carey from Banner Associates along with Sarah Salzer, Director of Clear Lake Area Development presented a concept plan to the Council of the former airport property. Scale drawings were presented showing expanded industrial lots and added waterlines to industrial and residential lots. They introduced the phases from immediate Planned Unit Development (PUD) to several years out. A PUD is specifically defined with separate zoning allowances than what the City currently has. The phasing can be expanded and changed. They noted wetlands and floodplains will be more regulated with FEMA direction. They spoke with County officials on maintaining the current bordering roads and will secure an agreement with the County. Motion by Reppe, seconded by Drake to approve the Concept Plan for the former airport property with approval of access road layout contingent on (DOT) State approval for streets. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer Val Lundquist approached the council because the Zoning Ordinance will be amended and changed with several meetings to be scheduled with First District this year. Some of the City's Zoning Ordinances date back to 1973 and 1994 and are outdated. She presented several ideas for changes as commented by the public. She advised the Council to research the Ordinances and prepare for suggestions to First District who will be at the next meeting, March 6, 2023. Much discussion was held. Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Mack to approve the travel request of Val Lundquist to attend Floodplain Manager Training in Watertown on March 14, 2023. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Mack, seconded by Pauli to adjourn as the Board of Adjustment and reconvene as Regular Council. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Sarah Salzer for Healthy Hometowns presented the idea of placing an outdoor water bottle filling station at City Park/Lavin field. The costs will be covered by a grant through AARP. CLAD will apply for the grant and work with the City on water lines and location for the station. Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Pauli to approve a water bottle filling station in the area of Lavin field and have the cost covered by a grant applied through CLAD. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Reppe to proceed with public bid notice to the paper for the asphalt project for 7th Avenue and 6th Street, Clear Lake. Bid opening will be at next regular meeting March 6, 2023. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Mack, seconded by Pauli to declare the following items surplus property deemed of no value: (Qty.) 2 broken wooden chairs, 3 vacuums (not working or repairable), 3 missing light pole Christmas banners, 2 torn light pole Winter banners, and 2 torn 3'x5' American Flags. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Mewherter to transfer \$40,000.00 from Budget fund "Hospital Senior Care Support" (220-447.00) to "Economic Development" (101-465.10) fund. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The 2022 City Water Loss was discussed. The City averaged a 18.40% water loss. It is down from recent years.

The Facilities and Equipment Committee reported on their meeting held in January. Discussion was held on the Swimming Pool reline and other happenings for spring of 2023. Discussion was held on the Municipal building as well as the Community Center. The Council agreed it is important to be prudent when waiving or reducing fees for events at the Community Center and are developing new criteria when making their decisions. There will be an updated agreement made between the American Legion/Boy Scouts and the City. Other considerations will only be given prior to the event with Council approval. Finance Officer Korth will present more detailed criteria to the Council by next meeting. The Facilities Committee also recommended to the Council to continue with Ulven Park's current monthly camping fee of \$660.00 for long-term campers. This was after much research and due to limited spots and that Ulven does not have the proper set-up for year-around special reserve camping.

Superintendent Collins reported on replacing Christmas lights/bulbs and presented quotes due to post-holiday sales. Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to have Collins use the same decorations and just order replacement bulbs from Display Sales at an estimated cost of \$1600.00 to come from Promoting The City funds. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to approve winter/holiday banner replacement from Display Sales at an estimated cost of \$900.00 to come from Promoting The City funds. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Collins went on to discuss the fuel pumps for the City. The pumps are very old and the meter read-outs give inaccurate gallon inventory. Collins checked with several different suppliers. Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Reppe to purchase 2 new fuel pumps from Deuel County Cenex at an approximate cost of \$1170.00 per pump. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

City Attorney Boyd commented on an ongoing investigation. He was also approached by a resident that will probably be at the March meeting and had several questions about curb height and ordinances regulating curbs in the City. Boyd will not be able to attend the March meeting and wanted the Council to be aware. Much discussion was held on grant applications, ordinances and the future construction timeline of State Highway 15.

Finance Officer Korth commented on a severely delinquent water bill that she is expecting full payment on soon.

Mayor Lundberg commented that the Chamber is planning on updating the Crystal Springs Rodeo signs in town. She also suggested the City of Clear Lake sign on the north side of town should be updated. It was also suggested to get quotes from Gopher Sign for signs (on highways) to Ulven Park.

No other comments from Council members.

No executive session at this meeting.

There being no further business, motion by Reppe, seconded by Drake to adjourn at 8:26 PM. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mary Korth

Finance Officer

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