The Clear Lake City Council met in special session on Thursday, December 28, 2023, at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Lisa Lundberg presiding. Those present were Alderwomen Ramona Drake and Rose Mack, both by teleconference; Aldermen Harry Mewherter, Jonas Reppe, Jamie Hintz and Rod Pauli. Also present was Finance Officer Mary Korth. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and was then called to order by Mayor Lundberg.

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

No one appeared for public voice.

There was no unfinished business for 2023 presented at this meeting.

There were no appointments at this meeting.

In other business, motion by Hintz, seconded by Mewherter to approve the following warrants: EXPENSES: A&B Business Solutions 138.99 Copier Contract, Banner Associates, Inc 35997.20 Drainage Studies, Cindy Buyert 50.00 Muni Room Deposit Refund, City Of Clear Lake 50.00 Rubble Site Cash, City Of Clear Lake 200.00 Meter Deposit Refund, Clear Lake Senior Citizens 150.00 Senior Citizen Support, Dacotah Bank 648.71 Cs Feeds Tif Payment, Deuel Area Development 39911.24 Econ Development Support, Deuel Co Motor Supply 151.36 Supplies, Kelli Deroy 25.00 Muni Room Deposit Refund, Equipment Blades Inc. 1031.50 Equip Supplies, Val Lundquist 39.38 Mileage Reimbursement, Maynard's Food 27.76 Supplies, Pheasantland Industries 47.62 Supplies, Pitney Bowes Bank Inc 92.27 Postage Fees, Pitney Bowes Inc 28.50 Postage Rental, Sd Department Of Health 30.00 Water Testing, Runnings Farm And Fleet 511.32 Supplies, Sensus Usa Inc. 1949.94 Water Software, Steve Rhody Services 50.00 Window Washing Services, Upframe Creative 93.75 Website Maintenance, United States Treasury 1014.97 Penalties Due To Govt. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Hintz to approve travel and expenses for Brandon Collins to attend the ATC Conference in Pierre, SD on January 9-10, 2024. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to approve a building permit for Mary Bachman, 613 3<sup>rd</sup> St W for a small ramp. Permit subject to the condition that it is in accordance with all building codes and ordinances of the City. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The Services Committee presented their report from their most recent meeting. Discussion was held on utility rates. The sewer rate for 2024 will not increase. The original Ordinance #612 stands for current sewer rates. The first reading of Ordinance #629 Amending Ordinance 8-2-23 Water Rates was held.

The reading of Resolution 2023-9 Clear Lake Municipal Library Disaster Plan was held. Motion by Mack, seconded by Pauli to approve Resolution 2023-9 Clear Lake Municipal Library Disaster Plan. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hintz, seconded by Drake to approve the auto supplement budget request to General Fund for: \$987.00 (101-441.3-426.11 West Nile) from State Mosquito Control Grant. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Finance Officer Korth shared some information from Public Works Superintendent Collins who could not be present. The City of Gary would like to contract with the City of Clear Lake temporarily until they would hire a new Utilities Manager. They would need our staff to perform monthly water samples and also check the City of Gary's wastewater ponds weekly. An hourly rate would need to be

determined which would be paid to the City of Clear Lake. A sample Memorandum of Understanding was given to Council. Final decisions can be made at the January regular Council meeting.

Finance Officer Mary Korth announced to the Council her official name change. Hereinafter she will be officially known as Mary Krueger.

Alderman Hintz had some questions so he could be more informed as a newer Council member. There were no further comments from the Mayor or any other Council members.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Mack to enter into Executive Session at 5:51 PM for personnel matters. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Lundberg declared the Council out of Executive session at 5:53 PM.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Hintz to hire the Personnel Committee's recommended applicant for part time Buildings Custodian upon acceptance of position at starting pay of \$16.00/hr. to begin January 1, 2024. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

There being no further business, motion by Reppe, seconded by Mack to adjourn at 5:54 PM. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary Krueger Finance Officer

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