

The Clear Lake City Council met in special session on Monday, February 26th, 2024 at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Lisa Lundberg presiding. Those present were Alderwoman Ramona Drake; Aldermen Jonas Reppe, Harry Mewherter, Rod Pauli, and Jamie Hintz. Absent was Alderwoman Rose Mack. Also present were Finance Officer Mary Krueger, Zoning Official Val Lundquist, and Luke Muller from First District. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and was then called to order by Mayor Lisa Lundberg.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to convene jointly as Planning Commission and City Council. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

The joint public hearing was then opened for Ordinance No. 700 – An Ordinance Rescinding and Replacing Ordinance No. 500, An Ordinance Establishing Zoning Regulations for the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota. No one from the public appeared for the hearing.

Motion by Drake acting as a member of the Planning Commission, seconded by Hintz acting as a member of the Planning Commission to recommend Ordinance No. 700 – An Ordinance Rescinding and Replacing Ordinance No. 500, An Ordinance Establishing Zoning Regulations for the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota to the City Council for approval.

Discussion began with Muller explaining the need for an updated Zoning Ordinance as it had been 14 years since the last one. Changes were made with the Planning Committee over the past year. Updates were made in formatting, procedural changes due to SDCL, and land use changes. Muller presented a draft of the ordinance and Zoning Map. Further discussion was held on the new ordinance.

Motion by Pauli as a member of the Planning Commission, seconded by Hintz as a member of the Planning Commission to amend the drafted Ordinance to add the storage pods to C-2 and I districts and make changes required by FEMA as requested, and change any typos/errors to be acceptable. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Roll call vote was held on the now amended Ordinance No. 700 – An Ordinance Rescinding and Replacing Ordinance No. 500, An Ordinance Establishing Zoning Regulations for the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota to the City Council for approval. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The City Council then held the first reading of Ordinance No. 700 – An Ordinance Rescinding and Replacing Ordinance No. 500, An Ordinance Establishing Zoning Regulations for the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota. Second reading will be held at regular Council meeting March 11, 2024.

The joint public hearing was then opened for Ordinance No. 701 – An Ordinance Regulating the Subdivision of Land and Establishing Standards Thereto in the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota. No one from the public appeared for the hearing.

Motion by Pauli acting as a member of the Planning Commission, seconded by Reppe acting as a member of the Planning Commission to recommend Ordinance No. 701 – An Ordinance Regulating the Subdivision of Land and Establishing Standards Thereto in the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota to the City Council for approval.

Muller explained the need for a Subdivision Ordinance for development purposes and improved design standards. He explained the application procedure and the approval process.

Roll call vote was held to recommend Ordinance No. 701 – An Ordinance Regulating the Subdivision of Land and Establishing Standards Thereto in the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota to the City Council for approval. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

The City Council then held the first reading of Ordinance No. 701 – An Ordinance Regulating the Subdivision of Land and Establishing Standards Thereto in the City of Clear Lake, South Dakota. Second reading will held be at regular Council meeting March 11, 2024.

The public hearing was then closed.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to adjourn as Planning Commission and reconvene as City Council. All voted aye. Motion carried.

In other business, Finance Officer Krueger reported on the State Water Plan applications submitted in December 2023 by First District regarding capital projects in water and sewer for the City. In light of new information, Krueger has been working very closely with First District and Banner Engineering revising part of the application. There is a possibility of extreme changes to the original project plans depending on State approval.

Krueger also announced there will be no Municipal election this year due to lack of petitions filed.

There being no further business, motion by Hintz, seconded by Mewherter to adjourn at 6:30 PM. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary Krueger
Finance Officer

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