

The Paullina City Council met in regular session on November 20, 2023 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 127 S Main St, Paullina, Iowa. Mayor Brenda Ebel Kruse called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. & led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call. Council Members present: Steve Heeren, Carol Honkomp, Jay Jones, Jean Unrau. Absent: Lexy Murphy (arrived 5:39pm). Mayor Ebel Kruse declared a quorum.

Also present: Assistant Clerk Alex Griggs, City Attorney Tisha Halverson, Superintendent Kelly Top & Ambulance Director Laurie Struve & Library Director Matt Dengler. Guests: Marlin Sjaarda, Nichole Jacobs, Denny Werkmeister, Glenda Heithus. Press: Radtke.

Motion by Unrau; second by Jones to approve agenda. Four ayes (Murphy absent). Motion carried.

Presentation by Mickey Shields of Iowa League of Cities on Chapter 21 Open Meetings per IPIB vs Marcus News.

Motion by Unrau; second by Murphy to approve 11/6/23 regular meeting minutes with date correction. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Murphy; second by Honkomp to approve payment of claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Griggs updated Council with bank reconciliations from July-Dec 2022.

Presentation by Derek Colace of A&B IT Solutions regarding proposals for monthly managed IT, equipment & council chambers meeting technology. Motion by Murphy; second by Honkomp to approve monthly managed IT & hardware proposal when cleared from current vendor. All ayes. Motion carried.

Struve requested 2 items move up in order of agenda. Motion by Murphy; second by Unrau for Resolution 23-38 to approve Kylee Massmann as EMT ambulance crew member. Roll call vote. Ayes: Heeren, Honkomp, Jones, Murphy, Unrau. Nays: none. Resolution passed.

Motion by Murphy; second by Honkomp for Resolution 23-39 to approve Karlee Ohrt as EMT ambulance crew member. Roll call vote. Ayes: Heeren, Honkomp, Jones, Murphy, Unrau. Nays: none. Resolution passed. Struve shared there are 4 EMTs, 4 drivers & 4 EMRs/nurses on the crew right now.

Motion by Heeren; second by Honkomp to table council chambers meeting technology proposal until a later date. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Unrau; second by Murphy for Resolution 23-40 to approve Josh Biery's \$1/hr raise effective upon completion of 2 water tests on 10/25/2023 (Distribution 1 & Treatment 1). Roll call vote. Ayes: Heeren, Honkomp, Jones, Murphy, Unrau. Nays: none. Resolution passed.

Motion by Honkomp; second by Murphy for Resolution 23-41 to approve resident appointments of Kevin Brassler (JUNE 2029) & Heidi Brown (JUNE 2026). Roll call vote. Ayes: Heeren, Honkomp, Jones, Murphy, Unrau. Nays: none. Resolution passed.

Motion by Unrau; second by Murphy for Resolution 23-42 to approve non-resident appointments of Erin Wilson (existing) & Sharla Rupert (JUNE 2025). Roll call vote. Ayes: Heeren, Honkomp, Jones, Murphy, Unrau. Nays: none. Resolution passed.

After questions from Heeren, Jones introduced first reading of Ordinance No. 36 amending the Zoning Ordinance Article 15 on Sign Regulations in R-1, R-2 & MH to allow churches, schools & governmental entities to have internally illuminated signs per restrictions, & C-1, C-2, GI & AG properties adjacent or across from residential to follow the restrictions. Second by Unrau. Roll call vote. Ayes: Honkomp, Jones, Murphy, Unrau. Nays: Heeren. First reading recorded.

Motion by Murphy; second by Heeren to approve up to \$30,000 more for additional tree removal by Schwebach Tree Service with funds allocated from the Electric Utility fund. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Murphy; second by Honkomp to table stump grinding until later date. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jones; second by Honkomp to approve Outdoor Recreation Products proposal for new twister slide & window to replace damaged components using funds from Parks &/or Recreation budgets. All ayes. Motion carried.

Dengler reported on holiday closures for the library.

Motion by Murphy; second by Heeren to adjourn meeting at 8:00 pm. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

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Brenda Ebel Kruse, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Michelle Wilson, City Clerk

