

The Paullina City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 15, 2024, at 5:30 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 127 South Main St, Paullina, Iowa. Mayor Marlin Sjaarda called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Roll Call was taken. Council Members present: Carol Honkomp, Jean Unrau and Dennis Werkmeister. Absent: Steve Heeren and Nichole Jacobs. Staff present: City Clerk Michelle Wilson, Police Chief Nathan Bremer, Superintendent of Utilities Kelly Top, and Library Director Matt Dengler. Guests present: Brian Feltman. Press: Radtke.

Motion by Werkmeister, second by Unrau to postpone agenda items 15, 16, 17, and 18, of the agenda. These numbers correspond with resolutions to amend utility rate ordinances, and due to only 3 Council Members present, these will be moved to August 5th, 2024. All ayes. Motion carried. Werkmeister requested that approval of minutes from 7/1/2024 regular meeting be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Honkomp, second by Unrau to approve agenda as revised. All ayes, motioned carried.

Motion by Werkmeister, second by Honkomp to approve Consent Agenda excluding approval of 7/1/24 minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

- a) Approve claims and preauthorized claims.
- b) Receive June financial reports.

Minutes from 7/1/2024 regular meeting were corrected from “reschedule” to “postpone” and next council meeting date from “7/14/2024” to “7/15/2024.” Motion by Werkmeister, second by Unrau second to approve 7/01/2024 minutes as corrected. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Announcements:

- a) King Construction has begun work on the lagoon. Superintendent Top reported 450 ft of pipe has been installed. Motors will be installed along with the main header.
- b) Mayor Sjaarda reminded residents to not discharge grass clippings onto the streets and sidewalks.

Motion by Honkomp, second by Werkmeister to approve Brian Feltman as Airport Manager. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Unrau, second by Honkomp to approve Braden Hindt as Volunteer Firefighter. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Werkmeister, second by Unrau to pay-out 100 hours of PTO to Police Chief Bremer that was banked in July 2023. Total \$3749.20. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Unrau, second by Honkomp to approve Resolution No. 2024-36 Authorizing Wage Payment for City Employees. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Honkomp, Unrau and Werkmeister. Heeren and Jacobs absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Unrau, second by Werkmeister to extend current Town and Country contract another 60 days. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Unrau, second by Werkmeister to approve moving forward with DA Davidson for bonding needs. A special workshop addressing bonding and projects will be held on July 29th, 2024 at 5:30 pm. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Honkomp, second by Werkmeister to approve purchase of a reel trailer for the electric department totaling \$8259.00.

All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Unrau, second by Werkmeister to approve street repairs by Beck Excavation, Inc. totaling \$77,653.30. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Honkomp, second by Unrau to approve Resolution No. 2024-37 Proposing to Vacate and Dispose of Public Street and Set Public Hearing for August 5th, 2024 at 5:30 pm. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Honkomp, Unrau and Werkmeister. Heeren and Jacobs absent. Motion carried.

Reports: Superintendent Top informed the Council that Kaden Hewlett would be taking his Journeyman Test in Ankeny on the 16th of July. Carbo Tech's storm drain is complete. Top also informed the Council the electric lines at the football field have been buried and next week Greene St overhead lines will be coming down. Maple St water has been fixed. Mayor Sjaarda thanked the City Staff and Fire Department for all their had work during the flooding. Sjaarda also thanked Jared Johnson with O'Brien County Emergency Management for his hard work. Sjaarda commended Johnson for his helpfulness and great communication. Council discussed this season's mosquito issue.

Committee Reports: Werkmeister mentioned the possibility of leasing the airport to aerial applicators. Werkmeister will forward a copy of a lease he received from Josh Kraayenbrink with Sheldon Airport for Council to review. Werkmeister also advised the Council that the Airport Abstract could be updated at an estimated cost of \$400-500. Honkomp informed Council that a couple nuisance properties are being dealt with by the City Attorney.

Department Reports: Police Chief Nathan Bremer presented to Council his Annual Report. Library Director Matt Dengler informed Council that Rock Valley Library is offline for a while due to flooding. We are collection site for donation books to help area libraries. Dengler also let Council know that the Library will have an outside movie as the temperature and bug issue allows.

Motion by Werkmeister, second Unrau to adjourn the meeting a 6:52 pm. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor

Marlin Sjaarda

Attest

Michelle Wilson, City Clerk