

Paullina City Council Minutes 12/16/2024

The Paullina City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 16th, 2024, at 5:30pm 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: Steve Heeren, Dennis Werkmeister, Jean Unrau, Nichole Jacobs, and Carol Honkomp. Staff present: City Clerk Michelle Wilson, Police Chief Nathan Bremer, Fire Chief Ryan Haper and Ambulance Co-Directors Lauri Struve. Guests: Landon Like, Beck Engineering. Press: Radtke

Motion by Unrau, second by Jacobs to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Announcements: For the week of Christmas, recycling will be picked up on Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Jacobs, second by ? Honkomp? to approve the Consent Agenda. Approve minutes from the 12/02/2024 Regular Meeting. Approve payment of claims and preauthorized claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Clerk Wilson presented the Council with November financials. These will be approved on the January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting.

Motion by Honkomp, second by Werkmeister to approve payment of utility deposits due to residents. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jacobs, second by Unrau to approve Resolution 2024-71 approving Change Order No. 1 from Harold K Scholz changing the contract completion and payment dates of the original contract. Roll call vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Landon Like from Beck Engineering spoke to the Council regarding Change Order No. 2 from King Construction. Change Order No. 2 is for sludge removal from lagoon cell #1 as identified by King Construction for the lump sum of \$154,000. Due to there being more sludge than expected King Construction removed approximately half of the sludge and refused to remove more without additional cost. King Construction is now asking for half of the cost of Change Order No. 2 which is \$77,000. Council, with guidance from legal counsel, decided to not include payment for Change Order No. 2 due to the work not being completed. According to the change order, the sludge was to be removed for the amount quoted on the Change Order - it did not specify a certain amount to be removed. Council member Werkmeister asked City Attorney Halverson to send a demand letter to King Construction to return and remove the remainder of sludge. Motion by Werkmeister, second by Heeren to approve Resolution No. 2024-72 approving Lagoon Aeration Project Application for Payment No. 3 from King Construction for the amount of \$44,963.51. which is \$121,963.51 (amount of Application for Payment No. 3 from king Construction) less the half of the sludge removal payment of \$77,000 included in the Application for Payment. Roll call vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Budget Workshop will be scheduled after the first of the year.

Reports: Fire Chief Harper reported that Jingle and Mingle and Festival of Trees was a great fundraiser for the Fire Department.

Harper also informed the Council that the Fire Department Township Meeting is scheduled for January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Heeren, second by Jacobs to adjourn meeting at 6:34 pm. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Marlin Sjaarda

Attest

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Michelle Wilson, City Clerk