

August 5, 2024

The regular meeting of the city council was called to order by Mayor Dave Witucki. Council members present were Tom Boeck, Tiffany Sevcik, KC Reuter, and Gina Massop. Also present were Patty Smith, Don Wolters, Chris Kruse, Tamara Dicks, and Bruce Ward.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve the minutes from the July 8, 2024, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve the bills.

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No additional bills. Motion carried unanimously.

New Employee: Personnel committee recommended hiring Christopher Kruse. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Sevcik to hire Chris Kruse, motion carried unanimously.

Reverse Osmosis: Certificates of Substantial Completion and Acceptability of Work were presented from SEH. The equipment from Joseph's Company will have a one-year warranty, which started on February 3, 2024. If there are any issues with equipment installed by Joseph's Company, we would contact them and for any issues with the RO system, we would contact H2O. A motion was made by Boeck to approve Resolution 2024 – 8 Accepting Certificate of Substantial Completion for the RO System. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve Resolution 2024 – 9 Accepting Completion of Work for the RO System, effective May 7, 2024. Motion carried unanimously. Pay application 22-830-00021 was submitted for final payment of \$99,677.98. A motion was made by Massop and 2nd by Boeck to approve the final payment to Joseph's Company for \$99,677.98. Motion carried unanimously. There is \$39,000.00 left in PSIG grant. A motion was made by Sevcik and 2nd by Boeck to approve Resolution 2024 – 11 to transfer \$60,000.00 from general fund to the water department to make final payment on the reverse osmosis system. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing: Regular meeting was closed; public hearing was opened regarding variance for James & Carrie Kaldahl to build an attached garage with less side yards. A question was asked about the sloping of the roof – it will be the same as the house. No comments from the public and hearing was closed, and regular meeting was reopened.

Resolution 2024 – 10 Variance for Kaldahl: A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Massop to approve the variance to have side yards of less than 10% or 15% for attached garage at 430 Prairie Street E. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning: James & Carrie Kaldahl, 430 Prairie Street E, build an attached garage. Motion made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve permit 631 with the variance and other setbacks to be met. Motion carried unanimously. Karl Reuter, 308 South Street W to demolish the garage. Motion made by Massop and 2nd by Sevcik to approve permit 630. Reuter abstained and motion carried. Terry & Naomi Ochsendorf, 209 North Street W to build a backyard fence. Motion made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve permit 632 if setbacks are met. Motion carried unanimously. M & M Signs, 630 Maine Street W to install the sign for Dollar General. Motion made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve permit 633. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports: Only received from public works. Glaubitz bench looks good. Midco will be back in a couple of weeks to install lines to resident's homes. The permeate tank water overflow issue was a programming error, and it was corrected by H2O. The flood sensors are now working. Wolters needs to paint inside the chemical rooms before open house. Safe Steps met with Wolters in July. They would take care of trip

hazards on the sidewalks by shaving off the high spots. A minimum of \$2500.00 of work would need to be done. Council would like to see an estimate in writing for the next meeting.

Storm Sewer Televising: Storm sewer on 3rd Ave from Pleasant to Maine Street and State Street from Maine Street to Pearl Street. The old county tile that was replaced in 2008 was sealed but may have a break in it. Televising this will help the city decide how to do repairs. Two quotes were received from Hydro Klean \$2038.00 and Empire Pipe \$2290.00. A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by Reuter to accept the bid from Hydro Klean for \$2038.00. Motion carried unanimously. The televising for storm sewer will be done when they are here for the sewer line televising on August 19.

Resolution 2024 – 13 Snowbirds Gambling 30-Day Waiver: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve Resolution 2024 – 13 Snowbirds Waiver. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget 2025: Currently have a 11.09% tax levy. Will need to cut \$27,000.00 to have a 3% levy. Take out the \$15,000.00 for side by side. Could use storm water fund for storm water repairs instead of general fund. Will leave money for a project, depending on what Bollig suggests. Smith will have it reduced to 5-6% by the September meeting.

Open House: August 14, 2024, from 2PM – 5PM. This will allow other public works employees from other cities to visit during the day and still allow residents that work out of Amboy to come. Coffee, cookies, and water will be served. Witucki will do water tests during the open house.

Open comment: Tamara heard Mapleton pickleball players like the Amboy court. Sevcik asked if weeds can be sprayed better along sidewalks before our city celebration. Also, can a wind guard be installed on the Southside of recreational court? Reuter was contacted by the fire department, and they will be donating 2 – 4 benches for our recreational area. Boeck asked that curbs be painted before city celebration. Witucki asked about a place for semi drivers to park; most of our streets are for delivery driver trucks, not semis. 4th Ave and 1st Ave are county roads and Maine Street is a highway. There would be no access to the school lot from West Street and that area could become muddy.

Miscellaneous: Nite to Unite is August 6 from 5:30 – 7:00 at Snowbirds, next council meeting is Tuesday, September 3.

A motion was made by Massop and 2nd by Boeck to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

David Witucki, Mayor

Council

ATTEST:

Patty Smith, Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer