

MINUTES OF THE SULLY CITY COUNCIL

SULLY, IOWA

FEBRUARY 12, 2024

The Sully City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on February 12, 2024, in the Council Chambers and through electronic means with Mayor Ben Ahrens presiding. Council Members present were Dan Stouthammer, Mary Carol Cross, Justin Van Soelen, and Tim LeCompte. Council Member Jon Van Wyk was absent.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Second made by Stouthammer, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for January 8, 2024; minutes for January 22, 2024; payment of claims list; treasurer's report; expense by function report; equipment fund report; and RLF fund report. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**GARDEN & ASSOCIATES – CONSIDER PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT AND INTENDED USE PLAN FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PROJECT:** Motion made by Cross, Second made by Van Soelen, to approve Preliminary Engineering Report and Intended Use Plan for Water Distribution System Project and authorize the mayor to sign any necessary documents. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT FOR LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Motion made by Cross, Second made by Stouthammer, to approve the third reading of the ordinance amendment and adopt Ordinance 1153 amending city code by repealing and replacing Chapter 21 for Library Board of Trustees. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT FOR WATER RATES AND SERVICE FEE:** Motion made by Stouthammer, Second made by Cross, to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending city code pertaining to water rates to revise rates and service fee charged for service disconnections. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Second by Stouthammer, to adopt Resolution 2024-04 to approve destruction of records according to the Records Retention Manual for Iowa cities. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**SET PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY2025 PROPERTY TAX RATE:** Motion made by Cross, Second made by Van Soelen, to schedule the public hearing on proposed FY2025 general property tax rate for March 25, 2024, at 7:00 pm. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**SCHEDULE SPECIAL MEETING TO SET PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY2025 BUDGET:** Motion made by Cross, Second made by Van Soelen, to schedule a special meeting to schedule the public hearing on proposed FY2025 budget for March 25, 2024, at 7:30 pm. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**RESOLUTION FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) ALLOCATION:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Second made by Stouthammer, to adopt Resolution 2024-05 for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Allocation for Sanitary Sewer Trunk Line Rehabilitation Project. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**CONSIDER CIT SEWER SOLUTIONS INVOICE:** Motion made by Cross, Second made by Van Soelen, to make partial payment of \$65,201.40 on Invoice 5959 from CIT Sewer Solutions and withhold the remaining \$10,000.00 balance until all work associated with the lining project is complete. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

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**CONSIDER QUOTE FOR BALLPARK DRIVEWAY SEAL COAT:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Second made by Stouthammer, to approve \$33,058.40 quote from Manatt's Inc to surface patch and double sealcoat roadway and parking areas at the city ballfield park. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**DISCUSS NORTHRIDGE ESTATE LOTS FOR SALE:** Council discussed the pros and cons of listing the Northridge Estates lots for sale with a real estate agent. Mayor Ahrens will contact several agents and gather information about their fees and services as most of the paperwork associated with the sale of the lots is handled by the city attorney. The issue will be discussed further at a later meeting.

**DESIGNATE MIPA BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Second made by Stouthammer, to designate City Clerk Barbra Maasdam as the MIPA (Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance) Board representative for the City of Sully. Roll Call Vote: 4-0 Motion carried

**REVIEW OF ITEMS ON ACTION SHEET:** Council Members reviewed and discussed items on council action list.

**REPORTS/COMMENTS:**

1. Iowa League of Cities is holding a Local Leaders Day on March 6, 2024, to allow city elected officials to connect with legislators
2. Spring cleanup day is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16
3. Council Member Van Soelen acknowledged the Public Works Director's efforts on snow removal

The council meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.