

MINUTES OF THE SULLY CITY COUNCIL

SULLY, IOWA

MARCH 11, 2024

The Sully City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on March 11, 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, Tim LeCompte and Jon Van Wyk.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Van Soelen, Second made by Van Wyk, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for February 12, 2024; payment of claims list; treasurer's report; expense by function report; equipment fund report; and RLF fund report. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT FOR WATER RATES AND SERVICE FEE: Motion made by Stouthammer, Second made by Van Soelen, to approve the second reading of an ordinance amending city code pertaining to water rates to revise rates and service fee charged for service disconnections. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

Motion made by Van Soelen, Second made by Cross, to suspend statutory requirement for a third reading and adopt Ordinance 1154 to revise water rates and service fee charged for service disconnections. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH CALDWELL & BRIERLY PLLC: Motion made by Cross, Second by Stouthammer, to adopt Resolution 2024-06 to authorize and approve employment agreement with Caldwell & Brierly PLLC for six months. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING APPLICATION: Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by Van Soelen, to adopt Resolution 2024-07 expressing the support of the Water Distribution System Improvements Project. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DEEP ROCK STATION LEASE: Motion made by Cross, Second made by Stouthammer, to adopt Resolution 2024-08 to authorize and approve a lease agreement with Jeremy and Desirae Blom for the Deep Rock Station building. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

DISCUSS CONCESSION STAND OPERATOR/LEASE: Jeremy and Desirae Blom said they are willing to run the concession stand for 2024. The lease agreement will be drafted for council approval.

CONSIDER PROPOSAL FOR MOWING CENTRAL PARK: Motion made by Van Soelen, Second made by Cross, to approve Central Park contract mowing bid for \$200 per week given by Marv Van Dyke. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER INSURANCE POLICY RENEWAL: Motion made by Van Wyk, Second made by LeCompte, to approve EMC Insurance Company policy renewal to include changing property deductible from \$2,500 to \$10,000 and to increase umbrella to \$2,000,000 and not add cyber coverage. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

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

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REPORTS/COMMENTS:

1. PWD recommended waiting a couple more years to replace skid loader
2. New mower has been ordered
3. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is conducting Introduction to Planning and Zoning for Local Officials workshops in April
4. Proposed property tax public hearing and special meeting to set budget hearing will both be held on March 25
5. Council Member Stouthammer still looking for quotes for siding for east shelter house
6. Council Member Van Soelen recommended the city pay for one half of the cost of a pitching mound for ball diamonds up to \$500 maximum – will be considered at next council meeting
7. Potholes on city streets will be patched once weather conditions allow

The council meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.