

MINUTES OF THE SULLY CITY COUNCIL

SULLY, IOWA

NOVEMBER 11, 2024

The Sully City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on November 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 and Jon Van Wyk. Council Member Tim LeCompte took part via Zoom. Also present were City Clerk Barbra Maasdam and Public Works Director Jeremy Behun.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Cross, Seconded by Van Soelen, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for October 14, 2024; payment of claims list; treasurer's report; expense by function report; equipment fund report; RLF fund report; Class E liquor license renewal for Casey's General Store; and FY2024 Annual Urban Renewal Report. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CHRISTMAS EVENT FUNDING REQUEST: Motion made by Van Soelen, Second by Cross, to approve funding up to \$800 as requested by Cathryn Dunsbergen for Sully Christmas Celebration 2024 event. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

SULLY RETIREMENT HOMES REQUEST LMI FUNDING FOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS: Motion made by Cross, Seconded by Van Soelen, to approve paying 85% of invoices submitted by Sully Retirement Homes for reimbursement for previously approved electric service project and approve new project for windows, doors and flooring with \$15,900 estimated cost. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

TREES IN DITCH ALONG E 124TH STREET S (N 9TH AVENUE): A citizen would like to see this ditch maintained better by the adjacent property owners. The Public Works Director will remove volunteer trees and property owners will be reminded that this is their responsibility if not maintained next spring. No formal action taken.

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO VACATE AN ALLEY AND SET PUBLIC HEARING: Motion made by Stouthammer, Seconded by Van Soelen, to adopt Resolution 2024-21 Proposing to Vacate an Alley and Setting Time for Hearing and Prescribing Notice Thereof. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TIF ANNUAL APPROPRIATION: Motion made by Cross, Seconded by Stouthammer, to adopt Resolution 2024-22 to obligate funds from the Urban Renewal Tax Revenue fund for payment of annual tax increment rebate to Janco Industries in the amount of \$46,758 for Fiscal Year 2026. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

REVIEW FY2026 TIF DEBT CERTIFICATION: Motion made by Stouthammer, Seconded by Cross, to approve certification of \$86,758 TIF debt for Fiscal Year 2026. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER JANCO INDUSTRIES EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATION: Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Van Soelen, to approve the end of month employment certification of 41 FTEs which is 36 FTEs less than two years ago and to require Janco Industries to reimburse the city in an amount to zero out difference of what the city has paid them to date for added FTEs. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

REVIEW CHAPTER 69.11 SNOW REMOVAL PARKING REGULATIONS: Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Van Soelen, to change Chapter 69.11 of city code according to Proposal #1. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

REVIEW CHAPTER 69.05 FURTHER PARKING LIMITATIONS. The Council discussed with no consensus reached. Further discussion was postponed until the December meeting.

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BACKUP WATER/SEWER OPERATOR SERVICES: The City has an agreement with Professional Operations Management to provide backup water/sewer operator services at \$110 per day when Jeremy is unavailable. Jeremy would like to add Marc Van Wyk, Monroe Public Works Director, as a second backup operator at \$100 per day. The council agreed this was a good plan. No formal action taken.

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

REPORTS/COMMENTS:

1. Tornado siren at ballpark not working – PWD to investigate options
2. Comprehensive Plan stakeholders meeting set for November 18 has been postponed
3. A citizen requested the city consider a permanent ban for burning leaves due to health concerns
4. PWD will add a second leaf/yard waste dumpster
5. Mayor Ahrens is re-aligning council committees

The council meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.