

MINUTES OF THE SULLY CITY COUNCIL

SULLY, IOWA

APRIL 14, 2025

The Sully City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on April 14, 2025, 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. Also present were City Clerk Barbra Maasdam and Public Works Director Jeremy Behun.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Stouthammer, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for March 10, 2025; minutes for March 24, 2025 property tax hearing; minutes for March 24, 2025 special meeting; payment of claims list; treasurer's report; expense by function report; equipment fund report; RLF fund report and Class C retail alcohol license for Coffee Cup Cafe. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY2026 BUDGET: As published a public hearing was held to consider the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. No objections or comments were made, and Mayor Ahrens closed the hearing.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FY2026 BUDGET: Motion made by Van Soelen, Seconded by LeCompte, to adopt Resolution 2025-10 to approve the budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER PURCHASE OFFERS FOR NORTHRIDGE LOTS 1 AND 18 AND SET PUBLIC HEARING: Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Van Soelen, to accept offer of \$4,000 for Lot 1 made by Eily Vande Krol and offer of \$4,000 for Lot 18 made by Eily Vande Krol and set the required public hearing for May 12, 2025. Roll Call Vote: Yes – Stouthammer, Van Soelen and Van Wyk. No – LeCompte and Cross. 3-2 Motion carried

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT AND PERFORMANCE AND/OR PAYMENT BONDS FOR THE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT: Motion made by Van Soelen, Seconded by Van Wyk, to adopt Resolution 2025-11 to approve contract and performance and/or payment bonds for the Water Distribution System Improvements Project. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO A WATER REVENUE LOAN AND DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT AND TO BORROW MONEY THEREUNDER: Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Cross to adopt Resolution 2025-12 to fix a date for a public hearing on proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,564,000. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH NORTHLAND SECURITIES, INC – WATER PRO FORMA: Motion made by Stouthammer, Seconded by Van Soelen, to adopt Resolution 2025-13 to authorize and approve an agreement with Northland Securities, Inc for professional services to complete required pro-forma for water revenue fund. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FUND TRANSFER TO EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND: Motion made by Van Soelen, Seconded by LeCompte, to adopt Resolution 2025-14 to authorize the city clerk to transfer funds into the equipment replacement account. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO SECTION 151.04 PROHIBITED TREES: Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by LeCompte, to pass the first reading of ordinance amendment on prohibited trees to remove the prohibition of fruit-bearing trees. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

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CONSIDER WAYFINDING SIGN FOR DEEP ROCK STATION: Motion made by Cross, Seconded by Stouthammer, to add Deep Rock Station to the wayfinding sign located by Doug Vos property and to raise the height of the sign to a sufficient height to meet regulations. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER QUOTES TO REMOVE TREES BY BALLPARK: Motion made by Cross, Seconded by Van Soelen, to approve \$4,250 quote from Rozendaal Services Inc to remove pine trees including stump removal at ballpark by pickle ball court. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER EMERGENCY SIREN – BALLPARK LOCATION: Motion made by Cross, Seconded by LeCompte, to approve \$24,100 quote from RC Systems to buy emergency siren – installation not included – given by Radio Communications Systems. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER A USED LIGHTING SYSTEM TO UPGRADE THE EAST BALL FIELD: Motion made Van Wyk, Seconded by Van Soelen, to approve the proposal to buy used lighting from Martinsdale St. Mary's for east ball diamond with installation from various vendors at given cost of \$44,875. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE: Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Stouthammer, to move forward with proposal to place full-time employees on city provided employee health insurance. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

REVIEW TRASH FEES – POSSIBLE RESOLUTION TO SET FEES FOR FY2026: Motion made by Cross, Seconded by Stouthammer, to adopt Resolution 2025-15 to set garbage fees at \$19.75 per month which is a 50-cent per month increase to be effective July 1, 2025. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

CONSIDER FY2025 BUDGET AMENDMENT AND SET PUBLIC HEARING: Motion made by Stouthammer, Seconded by Van Soelen, to approve the proposed FY2025 budget amendment and set the required public hearing for May 12, 2025. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

REVIEW IDEAS FOR SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2025: Council Members reviewed and gave input on ideas for the Library's Summer Reading Program with a theme of Level Up at the Library. No formal action was taken on this issue.

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

REPORTS/COMMENTS:

1. DNR completed water system inspection – suggested the city have an annual leak detection program and if there is a hydrant flushing program the water flushed must be chlorinated
2. PWD will present quote to trade the tractor for a backhoe at May meeting
3. Tent – tables – chairs should be ordered for July 4 celebration

The council meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm