

Council Meeting
February 17, 2025

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on February 17, 2025. A quorum was declared by Mayor Deb De Haan. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 125 Central Ave SE, Orange City, Iowa.

Members Present: Council members Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, and Bret Walinga

Members Absent: Council members Daryl Beltman and Olivia Chapman

Staff: Earl Woudstra, Janet Brown, Jim Pottebaum, Kurt Frederes, Ryan McEwen, Matt Van Schouwen, and Kent Anderson

Guests: Doug Calsbeek, Dan Roghair, Luke and Jennifer Livingston, Mike Hofman, Sarah Weber, Mark Nyhoff, BSA Troop 208 members and leaders, Kenton Vore, and Marilyn Mayberry

Agenda: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving the tentative agenda, with the deletion of real estate purchase, as the official agenda. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Citizen Comments: This time was provided for citizen comments, and none were heard.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the February 3, 2025 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Financial Report: The monthly financial report for January 2025, representing cash balances for all funds was presented, whereupon it was therefore moved by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the monthly financial report as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer; NAYS: None.

Monthly Bills: A Summary of Warrants report listing bills from January 21, 2025 through February 17, 2025 was presented. A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving the monthly bills, subject to audit. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Not to Exceed \$2,990,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes: This being the time and place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the authorization of a loan agreement and the issuance of notes to evidence the obligation of the City. The Mayor called for comments from members of the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed notes. No written objections were filed. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer adopting a resolution instituting proceedings to take additional action on the notes. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 2-17-25-2127 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 22.

\$2,760,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2025: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer adopting a resolution authorizing the issuance and levying a tax for the payment thereof. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 2-17-25-2128 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 22.

Public Hearing on the Matter of Adoption of Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Costs for the Construction of the Puddle Jumper Pickle Ball Courts Project: This being the time and place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the adoption of plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the construction of the Puddle Jumper Pickle Ball Courts Project. The Mayor called for comments from members of the

audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed project. No written objections were filed. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga adopting the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

The Council considered the bids which were opened on February 13, 2025.

A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong awarding the Puddle Jumper Pickle Ball Courts Project to Vander Windt and Sons for \$189,019.92. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer; NAYS: None.

Resolution to Pursue Bids for the Puddle Jumper Shelter House Materials: Mark Nyhoff with Beck Engineering presented an option for the City to join a co-op to purchase the materials for the proposed shelter house to be constructed in Puddle Jumper Park. Mark explained the City could use a co-op to purchase the materials, or a local supplier, or go out for bids on the whole project with a contractor. The proposed shelter house would consist of an enclosed kitchen, an open area with a roof, and restrooms. Sarah Weber inquired if a fully enclosed option could be considered. Bret asked what it would look like financially to do the enclosed option. Kent shared that the shelter house will be funded from TIF monies and there are not enough dollars left to increase the cost of the project. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to put the whole project out for bid.

Resolution Setting Public Hearing for Proposed Property Tax Levy: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer adopting a resolution setting 4:15 P.M. on April 7, 2025 as the time for a public hearing to consider the proposed property tax levy. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 2-17-25-2129 and appears in the official resolution book.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings/Important Dates:

March 3	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
March 17	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
April 7	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
April 21	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
May 5	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
May 19	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Mark Nyhoff provided an update on the proposed trails; Lincoln Place is designed, and they are working on easements; will finish the design on the St. Paul trail in the next two weeks. Earl shared a thank you for the Unity/MOC Reach Out game from Wayne Dykstra; thank you from Ron Minten family; landfill rates increase July 1; Jackson Miller starts in March; reviewed snow removal process on trails.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were heard. Daron thanked everyone for their support during the tragedy of losing their son, Aden; he is proud to be part of this community.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 5:15 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janet Brown, City Clerk