## Council Meeting June 1, 2020

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on June 1, 2020. 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.

<u>Members Present</u>: Council members Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, and Aaron Beadner and Tony Vande Brake joined via zoom

Members Absent: None

Staff: Earl Woudstra, Janet Brown, Kurt Frederes, Mitch Aalbers, Mark Gaul, and Matt Van Schouwen

<u>Guests</u>: Joanne & Ken Gamble, Dan and Keri Drescher, Jennifer Platter; via zoom Mike Hofman, Doug Calsbeek, Mark Lundberg, and John Slegers

<u>Agenda</u>: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving the tentative agenda as the official agenda. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer, Aaron Beadner, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

<u>Citizen Comments</u>: This time was provided for citizen comments. Dan Drescher, 116 1<sup>st</sup> Street SW, explained that under the current City Code his property and some neighboring properties cannot make any residential improvements and would not be able to be rebuilt if it is 50% destroyed. Dan is asking for the Council to consider rewriting the existing code so that they would be able to make improvements to their property and that they may rebuild their house if it is 50% destroyed or for the Council to rezone his property from Commercial to Residential. Joanne Gamble, 119 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW, also spoke about the zoning of their property and the lack of ability to make residential changes.

Council member Steve Roesner entered the meeting at 4:36 o'clock P.M. during the Citizen Comments.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: The minutes of May 18, 2020 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Steve Roesner and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Steve Roesner, Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

<u>Park/Rec/Pool Update</u>: Mitch provided an update to his summer programs. The pool opened today for lap swimming and private lessons, lots of happy swimmers. Summer rec programs also started today; equipment will be wiped down in between sessions. The parks and bathrooms have been opened to the public; bathrooms will be cleaned first thing in the morning, 1:00, and 4:00. Mitch is anticipating hearing the pool can open for regular swimming in a week at 50% capacity; he's ready, just waiting for the clearance from the Governor. Aaron inquired if priority will be given to the locals for getting into the pool. Mitch isn't really expecting an issue with this, but it is the intent to give citizens priority. Steve agreed with Aaron. No official action was taken.

Liquor License Application: A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the application of Prairie Winds Event Center for a Class C Liquor License as submitted. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner, Aaron Beadner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

<u>Retail Utility Grant Application</u>: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Steve Roesner approving the Retail Utility Grant application as submitted by Zweetkamer712. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Steve Roesner, Rod De Boer, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

<u>Amendment to Northwest Iowa Safety Group Agreement</u>: A change to the safety group services agreement has been recommended pertaining to how the group addresses risk allocation and insurance. The new language in the agreement simplifies this section and states that IAMU will hold and maintain insurance, and that each city will list IAMU as an additional insured in their liability insurance policy. A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner approving the amendment to the Northwest Iowa Safety Group Agreement. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Aaron Beadner, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

<u>Electric Lineman</u>: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner approving the hiring of Zach Wielenga as an Electric Lineman. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

<u>Cigarette Permit Applications</u>: A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner approving the cigarette applications as submitted by Fareway, Don's Food Center, Conoco, Casey's, Dollar General, and Dutch Mart. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner; NAYS: None.

<u>Collective Bargaining Agreement</u>: A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner approving the 2020-2021 Collective Bargaining Agreement. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

<u>COVID-19 Updates</u>: Earl updated the Council on the following action taken to address COVID-19: the senior center will remain closed per the Governor's guidance; Landsmeer Clubhouse has opened for 50% capacity, holding lunches, using tee times for leagues, will allow two people per cart or someone can request a single; library is open for reduced hours. Steve questioned if the Chamber Office was open. Mike responded not yet.

Administrative Reports:

Thank you from Dutch American Heritage Museum.

Scheduled Meetings:

June 15	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
July 6	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
July 20	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
August 3	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
August 17	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Earl mentioned the retirements of Mike Verdoorn, 43 years of service and Bill Van Marel, 21 years of service; will be evaluating how to fill the position of Custodian; working on negotiations with Southern Sioux Rural Water; working on 28E Agreement with MOC-FV; working on how to bring Prairie Winds back to holding events. Mark shared that the staff at Prairie Winds will be stocking the liquor, confirming bar staff, working on layouts for capacity, working closely with those having weddings in the future. Earl also shared that staff is reviewing options for the old MOC elementary school and will be seeking citizen input; reminder that the fishing ponds at the golf course, hospital, and Dunlop Wildlife Area are all catch and release. Matt gave updates on the 2020 street project and Puddle Jumper Trail 10<sup>th</sup> Addition and Industrie Centrum 7<sup>th</sup> Addition; hoping to close out the 2018 projects soon; MRES awarded scholarships to Devin Bos and Aaron Te Grotenhuis. Kurt reviewed the processes that can be taken to address the request of the homeowners on rezoning or being allowed to make improvements to their residential property in a commercially zoned district. Mark Lundberg shared that if the City wishes they would be in favor of working with the property owners to allow some changes to their properties. Steve expressed he is in favor of amendments that would allow them to improve their properties without changing the zoning.

<u>Council Comments</u>: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were heard. Aaron mentioned the division in our country and would like to see liberty and justice for all. Daron thanked the police force. Tony expressed appreciation for Mike Verdoorn and Bill Van Marel. Steve apologized to Mike for missing his retirement lunch; saw several people out Saturday morning enjoying the outside seating at Brad's Bread and Town Square. Deb thanked the City staff for their work and thought process through COVID-19, everyone has adapted well with grace and kindness.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Tony Vande Brake, Steve Roesner; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 5:24 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

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Janet Brown, City Clerk