

Council Meeting
January 4, 2021

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on January 4, 2021. 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 Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner, and Tony Vande Brake

Members Absent: None

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

Guests: Doug Calsbeek, Jonathan Beaver, Chad Kleinhesselink, Mike Hofman, Micah Bilby, Lisa Johnson, Kay Joiner, Jill Haarsma, Sara Huyser, and John Slegers

Agenda: A motion was made by Council member Aaron Beadner and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving the tentative agenda as the official agenda. The Dutch Heritage Boosters will not be present at this meeting. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

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

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the December 21, 2020 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Tony Vande Brake approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Tony Vande Brake, Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Steve Roesner; NAYS: None.

Department Reports: This time was provided for Lisa Johnson, representing the Library, to discuss with the Council accomplishments and priorities of her department as the Council prepares for budget time. Micah Bilby also presented the proposed budget for the Library. No official action was taken.

Organizational Reports: Appearing before the Council to provide an update were Jonathan Beaver and Chad Kleinhesselink, representing Landsmeer Golf Course, and Jill Haarsma and Sara Huyser representing the Dutch American Heritage Museum. No official action was taken.

Water Rate Ordinance: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner approving the third reading of proposed Ordinance No. 824, an ordinance amending the water rates. The average increase beginning January 2021 would be 20%, with an additional 15% increase in January of 2022. 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.

A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer adopting Ordinance No. 824. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Rod De Boer, Aaron Beadner, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner; NAYS: None.

Not to Exceed \$1,695,000 Electric Revenue Refunding Capital Loan Notes: A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer adopting a resolution fixing January 18, 2021 at 4:00 P.M. for a meeting on the proposition to authorize a Loan Agreement and the issuance of Notes to evidence the obligations of the City thereunder. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Rod De Boer, Aaron Beadner, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 1-4-21-1932 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 19.

Not to Exceed \$4,550,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes: A motion was made by Council member Aaron Beadner and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong adopting a resolution fixing January 18, 2021 at 4:00 P.M. for a meeting on the proposition to authorize a Loan Agreement and the issuance of Notes to evidence the obligations of the City thereunder. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Aaron Beadner,

Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 1-4-21-1933 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 19.

Tax Abatement Applications: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Tony Vande Brake approving the tax abatement applications to be forwarded on to the County Assessor for determination of qualification. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Tony Vande Brake, Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Steve Roesner; NAYS: None.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings:

January 18	Council Meeting, 4:00 P.M.
January 25	Special Council Meeting, 4:00 P.M.
February 1	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
February 15	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Earl reported on job description updates; getting costs for more security in City Hall and Police Department; will be taking bids for the Jelgerhuis property; Chamber and Arts Council sign has been installed; Jay Avenue property owner meetings; naming of the school development and future housing; the snow has stopped Lieber from moving dirt; will be reviewing available housing with staff; rental property hearing on January 13 at 5:00; updating City Codes; looking for input for the Dutch front ordinance; some properties have been cleaned up; discussing what sidewalks and trails to keep open during winter; ice rink liner sprung a leak, waiting for a new one to arrive; budget meetings on January 18 and 25 start at 4:00. Mark reviewed the next steps with ISG; third spot in the Hawkeye Building has been leased. Matt shared will be closing the 2020 Street Project in the next few weeks; reviewing options for the water system.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were heard. Tony thanked the utility crews for their help with snow removal. Mayor De Haan expressed appreciation for all City employees.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Aaron Beadner and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Aaron Beadner, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Steve Roesner, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 5:50 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janet Brown, City Clerk