

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on November 4, 2024. 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 Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, and Bret Walinga

Members Absent: None

Staff: Janet Brown, Kurt Frederes, Jim Pottebaum, Earl Woudstra, Matt Van Schouwen, Ryan McEwen, and Brad De Jong

Guests: Doug Calsbeek, Mike Hofman, Jennie Droog, Dan Roghair, Lori Korthals, Alison Kamp, Wally Boogerd, Mike Noteboom, Grace De Boer Brown, Lori Tuttle, Eric Oordt, Madison Hofmeyer, Loren Veldhuizen, Glenda Grossman, and Doug and Jen Vogel

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

Citizen Comments: Grace De Boer Brown stated that she should be grandfathered to have chickens since she has had them since before the ordinance not allowing chickens. Glenda Grossman stated that she has had chickens for 23 years and should also be grandfathered for chickens.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the October 21, 2024 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Daryl Beltman approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Department Report: This time was provided for Luke Horkey, representing the Street Department, to discuss with the Council accomplishments and priorities as the Council prepares for budget time.

Rezoning of Property: This being the time and place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the rezoning of the Dutch Colony Addition lots and adjacent properties of 1404 Albany Ave NE, 1502 Albany Ave NE, 1803 Albany Ave NE, 1908 Albany Ave NE, 2002 Albany Ave NE, and 2010 Albany Ave NE from R-1, Low Density Residential to RS-1, Residential Suburban. Kurt explained the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation to approve the rezoning was based on the private covenants allowing for animals. The Mayor called for comments from members of the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed rezoning. No written objections were filed. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Daryl Beltman and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong to approve the rezoning of the Dutch Colony Addition lots and adjacent properties of 1404 Albany Ave NE, 1502 Albany Ave NE, 1803 Albany Ave NE, 1908 Albany Ave NE, 2002 Albany Ave NE, and 2010 Albany Ave NE from R-1, Low Density Residential to RS-1, Residential Suburban. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daryl Beltman, Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 11-4-24-2122 and appears in the official resolution book.

Consider Setting Public Hearing on Rezoning of Property: Taylor Driese at 1501 Canal Drive SE is requesting to rezone his property from R-1, Low Density Residential to RS-1, Suburban Residential to allow for chickens on his property. This request was previously denied by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Olivia questioned if any other lots in town have been rezoned, what animals are all allowed in RS-1, and the required lot size. Kurt replied there has not been any rezoning to RS-1 in town, all animals would be allowed, 5 large animals per acre and 20 small animals per acre, the minimum lot size for RS-1 is 1 acre. A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Daryl Beltman to deny the request of Taylor Driese at 1501 Canal Drive SE to be rezoned to RS-1. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Dakota Mainstem Project Membership: This project is an infrastructure endeavor to tackle the pressing challenges of water scarcity and quality in the central and southern regions of eastern South Dakota, looking 30+ years ahead. The project is in the preliminary study phase and is seeking interest from cities and rural water systems. Matt recommends Orange City's participation. There would be minimal engineering costs for the next couple of years. A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the application to join the Dakota Mainstem Project membership. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Daryl Beltman, Rod De Boer, Olivia Chapman; NAYS: None.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings/Important Dates:

November 18	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
December 2	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
December 10	Strategic Planning, 10:00 A.M., PWEC
December 16	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
January 6	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Earl shared a summary of the MRES meeting; working on farm rental bid notices; making progress on livestreaming the meetings; still working with FEMA on the flooding repairs for Dunlop Wildlife Area; OC Sanitation renewal; strategic planning on December 10, what are the next big things or amenities to consider.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were heard. Olivia thanked the fire and police departments for showing up at the Trinity trunk or treat. Daron encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Daryl Beltman to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 5:03 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janet Brown, City Clerk