

April 10, 2023
City Council Meeting Minutes

The April 10, 2023 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Steve Knepper. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Delaney, Hosch, Kelchen, Oliphant and Rausch answered roll call.

Motion Kelchen, second Oliphant to approve the agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was led by Kotter reviewing Public Comment Policy. Council would like the Administrator to bring forth a policy that they can review and provide feedback before implementation.

Speakers from the floor: S. Keyron McDermott spoke regarding toxins used by city & farmers. B. Staner spoke regarding agriculture crops and Iowa Ag Gag Law. R. Kerper spoke regarding Taylor Street SE. Council members would like to see the Taylor St SE issue on a future agenda.

Motion Oliphant, second Delaney to approve the consent agenda items including City Council Minutes 3/27/23, Park Board 4/3/23, and Library Board 4/4/23; April 10, 2023 Claims and March 2023 Financial Reports. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Oliphant, second Rausch to approve Resolution #34-23 Youth Practice Ballfield Construction and Cost Share (50% up to \$6,500). Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Council directed Administrator Kotter to research with Lynch Dallas and prepare an Ordinance change regarding Ambulance Fees, No Transport Charges and the ability for the City to compensate volunteer EMTs.

Motion Oliphant, second Delaney to approve Resolution #30-23 Approval to Hire Hosch Interiors for City Hall Carpet (\$5,723.59). Roll Call vote. Four Ayes, Hosch Abstain. Motion carried.

Motion Delaney, second Rausch to approve Resolution #31-23 Approval to Hire Gravel Grading & Excavation for 3rd Ave SE (\$103,439). Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Kelchen, second Rausch to approve Resolution #32-23 Approval to Hire Eastern Iowa Excavation for NE Corner of 1st Ave Bridge (Time and Materials Cost). Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Oliphant, second Rausch to approve Resolution #33-23 Sewer Main Installation on Buchanan Street SW north of 3rd Ave SW. Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Council consideration on Sod vs. Grass Seed and Concrete vs Grass around New Riverview Park Gazebo. The council favors the Sod and the 12' by 16' Concrete pad south of the new gazebo. Motion Oliphant, second Delaney.

Motion Kelchen, second Oliphant adjourn at 7:34pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Kathy Goerd, City Clerk