

Mount Pleasant, Iowa, January 24, 2024

The Mount Pleasant City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 307 East Monroe Street, second-floor meeting room. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and the roll being called there were present Steven K. Brimhall in the Chair and the following named Councilmembers.

Present: Engberg, McWilliams, Batty, White, Crull, Griffith

Absent:

It was moved by Councilmember White and seconded by Councilmember Griffith that the Council approve the following consent agenda items with one roll call motion vote: the minutes of the January 10, 2024, City Council meeting; the payment of bills totaling \$207,997.11; the report of officers; the request from Midwest Old Threshers Board of Directors to close off McMillan Park and Old Threshers grounds to all vehicle traffic starting Friday, August 23, 2024; the request from Midwest Old Threshers Board of Directors for the use of McMillan Park from August 7 – September 13, 2024; the request from Midwest Old Threshers to sell alcohol in McMillan Park during Midwest Old Threshers Reunion August 29 – September 2, 2024; the Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit for Midwest Old Threshers at McMillan Park and Old Threshers grounds from August 28 – September 2, 2024; the request from Midwest Central Railroad and Midwest Old Threshers to close Locust Street gate on each night of Midwest Haunted Rails and Threshers House of Terror in October 2024; the Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit for Midwest Central Railroad and Midwest Old Threshers on each night of Midwest Haunted Rails and Threshers House of Terror in October 2024.

Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

The City Council received a letter from Randy Van Brussel regarding solid waste collection.

Councilmember Griffith moved and Councilmember McWilliams seconded that the Council approve the agenda as printed.

Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Susan Kerr requested that the January 10, 2024, City Council minutes be corrected. The minutes read that Kerr stated the cost-of-living increase for the average social security recipient would be negated due to the collection fees. Kerr's statement should have read that the garbage collection fee would take one-third of their cost-of-living increase.

Councilmember Engberg moved and Councilmember White seconded that the Council read for the third time and adopt the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 21 "SOLID WASTE" AND CHAPTER 25 "SOLID WASTE CHARGES" OF THE CITY CODE OF MOUNT PLEASANT, IOWA, CODE OF ORDINANCE

Roll call vote 6-0. Motion approved.

It was moved by Councilmember Engberg and seconded by Councilmember Batty that the Council adopt the following entitled Resolution No. 2024-5:

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDED CURBSIDE RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MT. PLEASANT (“CITY”) AND WEMIGA WASTE, INC. AND LANCE REFUSE, INC.

Roll call vote 6-0. Resolution adopted, signed by the Mayor and hereby made a portion of these minutes.

Councilmember Crull moved and Councilmember Griffith seconded that the Council authorize the Mayor to sign an Engineering Services Agreement with Warner Engineering for Eugene Way-Drainage & Paving – 2024 RISE-funded paving west from S. Roosevelt Street. Motion approved, 6-0.

It was moved by Councilmember Griffith and seconded by Councilmember White that the Council adopt the following entitled Resolution No. 2024-6:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE STATE OF IOWA REVITALIZE IOWA’S SOUND ECONOMY (RISE) FUNDS FOR A NEW ROADWAY PROVIDING ACCESS TO FUTURE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

Roll call vote 6-0. Resolution adopted, signed by the Mayor and hereby made a portion of these minutes.

It was moved by Councilmember Griffith and seconded by Councilmember Batty that the Council adopt the following entitled Resolution No. 2024-7:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR TAP (TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM) FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PCC TRAIL ON NORTH GRAND AVENUE FROM BAKER STREET NORTH TO WINFIELD AVENUE; AND WEST ON WINFIELD AVENUE FROM NORTH GRAND AVENUE TO NORTH BROADWAY AVENUE

Roll call vote 6-0. Resolution adopted, signed by the Mayor and hereby made a portion of these minutes.

It was moved by Councilmember McWilliams and seconded by Councilmember Griffith that the Council adopt the following entitled Resolution No. 2024-8:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNT PLEASANT, IOWA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT’S NUISANCE/ABANDONED PROPERTY REMEDIATION FUND TO DEMOLISH THE FORMER IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY GYMNASIUM

Roll call vote 6-0. Resolution adopted, signed by the Mayor and hereby made a portion of these minutes.

Councilmember Griffith moved and Councilmember White seconded that the Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Mount Pleasant Area Development Commission (ADA) Subrecipient Agreement to demolish former Iowa Wesleyan University Gymnasium. Motion approved, 6-0.

It was moved by Councilmember Batty and seconded by Councilmember Engberg that the Council read for the first time the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 69 (PARKING REGULATIONS) OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES

Roll call vote 6-0. Motion approved.

It was moved by Councilmember Griffith and seconded by Councilmember Engberg that the Council approve the following Mayoral appointments to the Historic Preservation Committee – Deb Savage, Paul Tinder, Jeff Thomas and Lea Bradley reappointed for three-year terms. Motion approved, 6-0.

It was moved by Councilmember Griffith and seconded by Councilmember White that the Council adopt the following entitled Resolution No. 2024-9:

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2023 TAX ABATEMENT APPLICATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING WITH THE HENRY COUNTY ASSESSOR

Roll call vote 6-0. Resolution adopted, signed by the Mayor and hereby made a portion of these minutes.

Councilmember Engberg moved and Councilmember McWilliams seconded that the Council accept the resignation of Fire Chief Drew Schumacher. Motion approved, 6-0.

It was moved by Councilmember Engberg and seconded by Councilmember Crull that the Council adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. to meet in regular session on Wednesday, February 14, 2024.

Steven K Brimhall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Davis, City Clerk