

REGULAR MEETING NO. 8
Council Chambers, City Hall

March 5, 2019
5:30 O'Clock P.M.

The meeting convened at 5:33 P.M.

Present were Council Member Berg, Dalbey, Roe, Stevens, Streeby and Mayor Lazio.

Roe moved, seconded by Berg to approve the following consent agenda items: Mins. from Regular Mtg. No. 7 on Feb. 19, 2019 as presented; Appointment of Drake Livingston to the Historic Preservation Brd. due to a vacancy, term to expire 1/01/2022; Consid. of Ack./Settlement Agt. between the City of Ottumwa and Elliott Oil Co. d/b/a BP Station (1340 Albia Rd.); Consid. of Ack./Settlement Agt. between the City of Ottumwa and Elliott Oil Co. d/b/a BP Station (1049 W. Second St.); Consid. of Ack./Settlement Agt. between the City of Ottumwa and Hy-Vee, Inc. d/b/a Hy-Vee Drugstore (1140 N. Jefferson St.); Consid. of Ack./Settlement Agt. between the City of Ottumwa and Hy-Vee, Inc. d/b/a Hy-Vee Gas #2 (2457 N. Court); Consid. of Ack./Settlement Agt. between the City of Ottumwa and Stop & Go Drive Thru located at 516 S. Madison Ave.; Authorize the purchase of replacement copiers in the amount of \$1252.58 per month for 60 months from Infomax; Approve Salvage Dealer's Lic. renewal for Courtney's Car Crushing & Scrap, 825 Hayne St.; Res. No. 40-2019, authorizing pymt. for renewal of the City liability and property insurance for March 16, 2019 until March 15, 2020 in the amount of \$405,215.52; Res. No. 44-2019, Approving the contract, bond, and cert. of insurance for the WPCF Primary Clarifier Valve Replacement Proj.; Beer and/or liquor applications for: Market on Main, 331 E Main St. with outdoor service area; all applications pending final inspections. All ayes.

Dalbey moved, seconded by Streeby to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes.

Mayor Lazio introduced CVB Dir., Wartenberg. Items of note: Want to develop a signature event to get people familiar with Ottumwa and SE Iowa, 28 Reasons we love Ottumwa was a successful Instagram campaign in Feb. 2019, continued efforts for development of Reg. Mktg. Initiative, Babe Ruth World Series to return in 2021, Gateway and Wayfinding signage initiative – CVB has taken the lead on this proj., festival/event economic impact model, continued Destination Advocacy Training.

City Admin. Morris reported the following:

- He and Councilwoman Berg represented Ottumwa during conference call with Alliant Energy to discuss electric car charging stations. Looking at price points, infrastructure needs and potential funding sources. Report in front of Council in the next few weeks.
- Attended the Airport Pre-Con Mtg., along with Mayor Lazio, City Attorney Keith, and Airport Supv. Cobler last wk. hosted by Kirkham Michael for the 13/31 Airport Runway Reconstruction proj. Tentative start date April 1, 2019.
- Working closely with Steve Dust at Legacy to initiate a State of the Community Address.
- We will have our first community mtg. sometime in April.

Councilwoman Berg stated a goal Council has for City Admin. Morris is to create a policy guidebook on how the City communicates with the public (i.e. project updates) along with ways to improve our communication. This is currently being drafted -will be brought to Council for approval at a later date.

Mayor Lazio inquired if there was anyone from the audience who wished to address an item on the agenda. Keith Caviness would like to address Council on Item G-1.

Roe moved, seconded by Dalbey to reject bid recvd. on Beach Ph. 4, Contract A, Slide Restoration Proj. 2019. Parks & Rec Dir. Rathje reported one bid was received in the amount of \$129,000 which is

significantly higher than the engineer's opinion of cost of \$35,000. Staff recommends rejection of the lone bid and rebid the proj. with a revised start date of Sept. 1, 2019. All ayes.

Streeby moved, seconded by Roe to award the contract for the 2019 RFP #1, Blake's Branch Box Sewer Cleaning to DC Concrete and Construction of Douds, Iowa, in the amount of \$16,700. Public Works Dir. Seals reported three bids were received. All ayes.

Dalbey moved, seconded by Streeby to award the contract for 2019 RFP #2, Benton St. Brick Sewer Repairs to Christy Construction of Ottumwa, Iowa, in the amount of \$7,986. Public Works Dir. Seals reported one bid was received. All ayes.

Streeby moved, seconded by Roe to award the contract for the 2019 RFP #3, Ray St. Concrete to Turner Concrete of Ottumwa, Iowa, in the amount of \$19,765. Public Works Dir. Seals reported four bids were received. All ayes.

Streeby moved, seconded by Berg to award the contract for the 2019 RFP #4, Montagne Ln. Pavement to McClure and Co. Concrete of Floris, Iowa, in the amount of \$6,110. Public Works Dir. Seals reported four bids were received. All ayes.

This was the time, place, and date set for a public hearing on the proposed adoption of the 2020 City Budget. Finance Dir. Jay reported the city tax levy is increasing .51 per \$1,000 taxable valuation. Taxable valuation increased \$16,167,708.00. City property taxes consist of approx. 48% of the total property taxes paid by the City residents. The City increased the Trust & Agency levy \$1.00 and reduced the Debt Service levy .49 cents. Keith Caviness - although .51 cents doesn't sound like much, Council is responsible for providing input and suggestions to the Finance Dir. to try to maintain or lower this amount. Ottumwa has a reputation as being one of the highest taxed communities in Iowa. Suggest with the next budget, see Council work on going the other direction. Streeby moved, seconded by Berg to close the public hearing. All ayes.

Roe moved, seconded by Dalbey that Res. No. 41-2019, adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, be passed and adopted. Mayor Lazio asked Finance Dir. Jay if he received any written or other comments to his office - No, none. All ayes.

Streeby moved, seconded by Berg that Res. No. 24-2019, approving Change Order No. 2, for the Wapello St. and Albia Rd. Roundabout Proj., be passed and adopted. Public Works Dir. Seals reported Change Order No. 2 accounts for all change orders done to open Ph. II during winter shutdown, increasing the contract \$5,694.15. Total new contract amount \$775,620.49. Ayes: Berg, Stevens, Streeby. Nays: Dalbey, Roe. Motion passed.

Streeby moved, seconded by Stevens that Res. No. 42-2019, directing sale of \$5,665,000 (subject to adjustment per terms of offering) Gen. Obligation Bonds, Series 2019A, be passed and adopted. Finance Dir. Jay stated these bonds will be used to finance 2019 CIP projects. Maggie Burger and John Murphey, Speer Financial, Inc., presented. Ten bids were received, with best bid Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. of Milwaukee, WI. Series 2019A Bonds awarded to Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. at a price of \$5,869,540.30, being at a true interest rate of 2.1701%. All ayes.

Roe moved, seconded by Streeby that Res. No. 43-2019, directing sale of \$1,870,000 (subject to adjustment per terms of offering) Gen. Obligation Urban Ren. Bonds, Series 2019B, be passed and adopted. Finance Dir. Jay stated these bonds will be used to finance 2019 CIP Airport and Beach Projects. Maggie Burger and John Murphey, Speer Financial, Inc., presented. Nine bids were received,

with best bid Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. of Milwaukee, WI. Series 2019B Bonds awarded to Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. at a price of \$1,945,978.05, being at a true interest rate of 2.1665%. All ayes.

Dalbey moved, seconded by Roe that Res. No. 45-2019, awarding the contract for the Beach Ph. 4, Contract B, Slide Restoration Proj. 2019, to A1A Sandblasting (Iowa) of Menahga, Minnesota, in the amount of \$66,500.00, be passed and adopted. Parks & Rec. Dir. Rathje reported two bids were received. Contract B consists of performing designated repairs and refinishing/repainting of the four fiberglass waterslides. All ayes.

Dalbey moved, seconded by Stevens that Res. No. 46-2019, awarding the contract for the North Jefferson St. Reconstruction Proj. to Jones Contracting Corp. of West Point, Iowa, in the amount of \$794,777, be passed and adopted. Public Works Dir. Seals reported five bids were received. The proj. will include installation of sanitary, storm and water mains. All ayes.

Mayor Lazio inquired if anyone from the audience wished to address an item not on the agenda. Keith Caviness wanted to discuss proposed changes to parking that will occur during the Downtown Streetscape Proj. for the businesses on Main St. If you can find a way to improve (and not eliminate) angle parking in the 100 and 300 blocks of East Main, you will find downtown merchants receptive to this plan. Communication between the City and merchants on how they can manage their businesses during construction would also be beneficial.

Streeby moved, seconded by Stevens that the meeting recess and reconvene in Room 108 for closed session proceedings. All ayes. The meeting recessed at 6:34 P.M.

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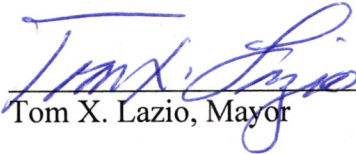
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Roe moved, seconded by Dalbey to enter closed session in accordance with the Iowa Code Section 21.5(1) (i). ("To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.") for the purpose of conducting the City Clerk's performance evaluation. All ayes.

The meeting entered closed session at 6:42 P.M.

Streeby moved, seconded by Berg to return to open session for adjournment at 7:00 P.M. All ayes.

Roe moved, seconded by Streeby that the meeting adjourn. All ayes. Adjournment was at 7:00 P.M.


Tom X. Lazio, Mayor



ATTEST:


Christina Reinhard, City Clerk