

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DAVENPORT CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 26, 2020**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Brad Sweet called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present were, Heath Becker, Patrick Katz, Nathan Hansen, Cory Hollis, Chris Ruiz, Lance Strite, and Theresa Telford.

Also present were, Fred Bell, David Bingham, Donna Gauch, Steve Goemmel, Robert Jenkins, Margie Hall, Dave Leath and Sabrina Warwick.

***The meeting was conducted through digital media due to the novel corona virus pandemic.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lance Strite made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 12, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Theresa Telford. The motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

POLICE REPORT

No Report.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Mayor Sweet added Resolution 2020-20 Re-establishment of the City Police Department to New Business.

COMMENT / SIGN IN

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Fire Committee

Lance Strite reported that the Committee met to discuss a contract offer from Lincoln County for law enforcement services. Lance told the City Council that the Committee recommended starting its own police department rather than continuing to contract with Lincoln County. Lance said that the vote was 3-0.

The Mayor commented that he added Resolution 2020-20 which authorizes a Davenport Police Department to new business based on the Committee's recommendation. He suggested that the City Council do a second reading of the resolution so that everyone has time to review it and ask questions.

The City Council discussed the pros and cons of starting their own police department and they reviewed the 10-year budget projection for a Davenport PD. No consensus was reached. The City Council will revisit the issue at their next meeting on September 9, 2020.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Sweet discussed the 2021 budget cycle with the City Council. He mentioned that the first public hearing for the Proposed Revenue Sources will be on 10/14/2020 and the City Council Budget Workshop

will be on 10/28/2020, He asked all the City Council members to forward their budget suggestions to City Hall.

The Mayor told the City Council that he signed a support letter addressed to the State of Washington in support of People to People Transportation Services for rural and low-income services. He said, “this letter of support helps them get grants for their service.”

Mayor Sweet thanked the pool staff for another great year at the pool. He told the City Council that the pool is closed for the season.

The Mayor briefed the City Council on the status of the City’s Covid 19 CARES Grant. He said, “any unused funds will be rolled over to Lincoln County so they can be passed on to the Lincoln County Economic Development Council. They would then award grants to help support local businesses.

Mayor Sweet asked the City Council to consider an offer to purchase a parcel of city land located at 100 Morgan Street. The parcel is commonly known as Lyons Park. The Mayor said that a fortune 500 company has made an offer to purchase the land and before he replied to their offer, he wanted to see if the members were interested in selling the property. The City Council preferred to look at the proposal before deciding if they would like to sell the land.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Second Reading of Ordinance 1156 – Amending the Davenport Municipal Code 15.02 Building Code by Updating Language to Reference the Currently Used Code and Penalties. City Administrator Steve Goemmel told the City Council that Northwest Code Pros asked us to update our ordinance to include the most current updates to the International Building Codes. Lance Strite asked if there were any other changes added. City Clerk Dave Leath said, “yes, a penalty clause was added for those people who do not comply.” Lance asked if this ordinance follows the nuisance ordinance. Mayor Sweet replied that it has the same penalties as the nuisance ordinance.

Lance Strite made a motion to pass Ordinance 1156 at its second and final reading. The motion was seconded by Chris Ruiz. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2020-20 Supporting the Reestablishment of the City Police Department. – Mayor Sweet asked the City Council to do a second reading of this resolution because he added it after the Police/Fire Committee made their recommendation to start their own police department. The City Council agreed.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS

Patrick Katz made a motion to pay Claims/Vouchers #16811- #16820 in the Amount of \$5,536.81. The motion was seconded by Lance Strite. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Theresa Telford made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Lance Strite. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

David M. Leath
City Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Brad Sweet

