

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DAVENPORT CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 13, 2023**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Brad Sweet called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present were Heath Becker, Jonathan Chapman, Robert Jenkins, Cory Hollis, Lance Strite, Pat Katz, and Chris Ruiz.

Also, attending were Jessie Allen, Daniel Coriell, Chloe Delafield, Steve Goemmel, Justin Gump, Gene Hein, Chloe Lewis, Drew Lawson, David Leath, Dymin LeVault, Brenton Peter, Brandon Rose, Brodie Schillinger, Christine Simmon, Rusty Warwick, Suzy Warwick, and Mike Wilkinson.

***The meeting was available by remote access on digital media. The City Council met in person.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lance Strite made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 22, 2023, meeting. The motion was seconded by Cory Hollis. The motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

Deputy Justin Gump reported 101 calls for service in the month of November. Jason detailed a few of the calls and asked the city council for questions or comments. There were none. Mayor Sweet thanked the deputy for the report and his service to the community.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

No Changes.

COMMENT / SIGN IN

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Interviews of Candidates who Submitted Letters of Interest for the Open Mayor's Position. City Administrator Steve Goemmel introduced Jonathan Chapman, Daniel Coriell, Brad Sweet and Rusty Warwick as Davenport residents who submitted letters of interest for appointment as Mayor. The candidates were interviewed by the full city council. Jonathan Chapman abstained from participation, as a councilman, because he was a candidate. The interviews were conducted by the city council.

2. Executive Session to Evaluate Candidates for the Mayor's Position. City Administrator Steve Goemmel announced that the city council was moving into executive session for 25 minutes, to better evaluate the interviewed candidates for the position. The time was 7:40 p.m.

Steve returned at 8:00 p.m. and announced that the city council needed 15 more minutes in executive session. The city council returned to the chamber at 8:15 p.m.

3. *Selection of a New Mayor.* Patrick Katz made a motion to select Brad Sweet as the new mayor. The motion was seconded by Heath Becker. Patrick Katz, Heath Becker, and Chris Ruiz voted for the motion. Cory Hollis, Lance Strite, and Robert Jenkins voted against the motion, resulting in a tie. The motion failed.

Lance Strite made a motion to select Jonathan Chapman as the new mayor. The motion was seconded by Cory Hollis. Cory Hollis, Lance Strite, and Robert Jenkins voted for the motion. Patrick Katz, Chris Ruiz, and Heath Becker voted against the motion, resulting in a tie. The motion failed.

Lance Strite suggested that the selection of a new mayor be added to the agenda at the next meeting, and that just the two nominated candidates be considered. The city council agreed. Lance thanked Daniel Coriell and Rusty Warwick for submitting their names as candidates and coming to the meeting to be interviewed.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS

Heath Becker made a motion to pay Claims/Vouchers #19976 - #20013 in the Amount of \$281,228.92 and Payroll/Vouchers #19924 - #19975 in the Amount of \$70,256.49. The motion was seconded by Cory Hollis. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Heath Becker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Robert Jenkins. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.


David M. Leath – Clerk/Treasurer


Mayor Brad Sweet