

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DAVENPORT CITY COUNCIL  
APRIL 26, 2023**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Brad Sweet called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present were Jonathan Chapman, Cory Hollis, and Robert Jenkins.

Absent: Heath Becker, Chris Ruiz, and Lance Strite.

Motion to Excuse: Patrick Katz made a motion to excuse Heath Becker, Chris Ruiz, and Lance Strite from the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Chapman. The motion carried.

Also, present were, Greg Aguirre, Kaitlyn Bell, Fred Bell, Cash Colbert, Zachary Bruce, Alexandra Cormier, Steve Goemmel, Dave Leath, Mason Palmer, Matt Schneider, and Sam Schneider.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Patrick Katz made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2023, meeting. The motion was seconded by Johnathan Chapman. The motion carried.

**POLICE REPORT**

No Report.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

**CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

No Changes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**COMMENT / SIGN IN**

Mason Palmer signed in to address the city council. Mason told the city council that he is an engineer from Century West in Spokane, He gave a presentation on potential pedestrian safety improvements on Highway Two between First Street and Gunning Road. Mason said that it was important to have these informational meetings to get input from the public and to discuss the impacts of any potential improvements. Mason invited everyone to put stickers on crosswalks that need the most improvement and told the City Council that we'd have another informational meeting on May 10, 2023.

Matt Schneider signed in to give a brief update on the farming at the crop circle. Matt told the city council that things were looking well and by next year, he won't need to plant a cover crop.

Zachary Bruce signed in to address the city council. He told the city council that he was a representative of the Davenport FBLA. He asked the members of the city council to approve a tourism grant for the FBLA's community wide yard sale. The requested amount for the grant is \$1,000. The proceeds of the event will help fund a trip to the FBLA nationals for eight students and bring people to Davenport. Zachary thanked the city council for their consideration.

Greg Aguirre signed in to comment on a proposed change in the Davenport Municipal Airport Operations Manual. Greg told the city council that he is very unhappy with the operation of the airport. He feels like he hasn't been notified of the meetings of the Davenport airport advisory committee and he feels like he's been treated unfairly with his lease at the airport. He said that he will file a formal complaint with the FAA.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No Meetings.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Sweet reminded everyone who is up for reelection that the filing dates are May 15<sup>th</sup>-May19<sup>th</sup>. He encouraged everyone to file for reelection. The mayor congratulated the city crew for receiving an outstanding performance award from Washington State. He thanked the guys for all their efforts for the community.

The mayor read a retirement letter from the City Maintenance Superintendent Fred Bell to the city council. Fred's last day will be August 1, 2023.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

*1. Resolution 2023-10 Approving of a Tourism Funding Grant Recipients - FBLA.* City Administrator Steve Goemmel told the city council that the Davenport High School, FBLA organization has applied for a tourism grant in the amount of \$1,000.

Jonathan Chapman made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-10. The motion was seconded by Robert Jenkins. The motion carried.

*2. Resolution 2023-11 Adopting Changes to the Airport Operation Manual Setting Forth Definitions, Policies, Rules, and Regulations Concerning Airport Usage.* City Administrator Steve Goemmel asked the city council to consider this update to the manual. Patrick Katz asked the other members if they'd all had a chance to read the proposed updates in the manual. Most had not. Patrick suggested that they do a second reading of this resolution to give everyone a chance to review it.


Patrick Katz made a motion to table this Resolution 2023-11 until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Robert Jenkins.

### **APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS**

Patrick Katz made a motion to pay Claims/Vouchers #19360 - #19392 in the Amount of \$171,717.17 The motion was seconded by Cory Hollis. The motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Jonathan Chapman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Cory Hollis. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

  
David M. Leath – Clerk/Treasurer

  
Mayor Brad Sweet