

CITY OF COLONA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 13, 2023
CITY HALL
100 E. 9TH AVE

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:08pm

ROLL CALL: Acting Mayor Painter, Attorney Wright, City Clerk Hergert, Aldermen Swemline, Barrett, Lack, and Stablein were present. Alderman Cole and Shady-Dahl were attending by phone.

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Mike Swemline (Police Chief), Jen Legare (Finance Director), Rich Holman (Economic Development Administrator) and Mike Stephens (Public Works Director) were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Fire Chief John Swan- The Rescue Tax will be on the ballot April 4th. The Pancake Breakfast is Sunday, April 2nd.
2. Don Ropp- Questions for car wash bid to tear down.
3. Pam Friend- Questions about campground fees.
4. Tina Woodbury- Status of hiring ranger and start date.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Economic Development position- Positions pay rate vs what administrator has saved just on sludge removal, \$104,942.
2. Moment of Silence in memory of Alderman Tom Feliksiak.

CLERK'S REPORT: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Alderman Lack made a motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, February 27, 2023 City Council Meeting. Alderman Stablein seconded. Discussion offered, hearing none. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.

CONSENT AGENDA: Alderman Shady-Dahl made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-3 as follows: (1) Approve payment of bills for the period of February 28, 2023- March 13, 2023; (2) Approve payroll for the period of February 26, 2023- March 10, 2023.

(3) Approve Treasurer's Report for February 2023. Alderman Stablein seconded. Discussion offered, hearing none. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

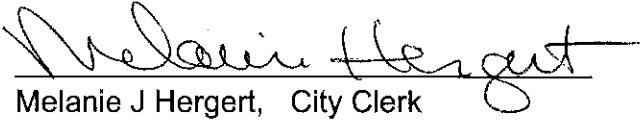
1. Alderman Stablein made a motion to Approve Resolution R-23-04- Abatement of Taxes- Bond Series 2019. Alderman Lack seconded the motion. Discussion offered, hearing none. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.
2. Alderman Lack made a motion to Approve to waive the \$50 fee for the liquor license for the Memorial Day weekend. Alderman Barrett seconded the motion. Discussion offered, hearing none. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.
3. Alderman Shady-Dahl made a motion to Approve to waive the yard sale fees for the citywide spring yard sale April 27-30th. Alderman Swemline seconded the motion. Discussion offered, hearing none. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.
4. Alderman Swemline made a motion to reject the one bid we received for the basement project, and send out for more bids. Alderman Lack seconded the motion. Discussion offered, We can't make a decision without anything to compare it to. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.
5. Alderman Shady-Dahl made a motion to Approve to waive the water usage off 112 Clover, due to water leak caused by the City. Alderman Lack seconded the motion. Discussion offered- During the water meter change, there was a leak in the garage that wasn't noticed until the next day . Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.
6. Alderman Stablein made a motion to Approve to waive the sewer usage (busted water line) for 1) Colona School 2) 917 6th St. 3) 106 E. 6th St. Alderman Shady-Dahl seconded the motion. Discussion offered- All 3 events were reported, busted water lines, and the water never went down the sewer. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Alderman Lack voted to abstain. Motion passed with 6 yes, 1 abstain
7. Alderman Swemline made a motion to table until the next council meeting- To Discuss/Approve Engine Idling Ordinance to be added to 5-2-2-2 (Disturbing the Peace Ordinance- Paragraph D would be a new piece added). Alderman Barrett seconded the motion. Discussion offered- Chief Swemline gave everyone on the council information to read until the next meeting. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole,

Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.

8. Alderman Swemline made a motion to table until the next meeting, Approve the bid to tear down carwash. Alderman Stablein seconded the motion. Discussion offered- would like a formal bid. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 7 yes.

CLOSED SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT: Alderman Shady-Dahl made a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting; Alderman Swemline seconded. All aldermen present voted in favor of adjourning. Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm.


Melanie J Hergert, City Clerk

3/27/23
Date Approved