

CITY OF COLONA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 23, 2023
CITY HALL
100 E. 9TH AVE

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:37pm

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

MAYOR'S REPORT: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Alderman Shady-Dahl made a motion to approve the January 9, 2023 Committee of the Whole minutes. Alderman Lack seconded. Discussion offered, hearing none. Roll Call: Aldermen Cole, Stablein, Swemline, Lack, Feliksiak, Painter, Shady-Dahl, and Barrett voted yes. Motion passed with 8 yes.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: The last meeting was held Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:00pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 6:00pm.

- Chestnut Dr. update- we are waiting for the letter of ownership from state and county records in order to move forward.
- Basement Project- IMEG came in and wanted \$9500 to do the project, a business in East Moline wanted \$4800. Ludin came in and quoted \$750 to just draw up plans and make sure everything is approved. The other two are quotes from start to finish.
- TIF agreement- Aaron Tennant for the 12 acre parcel on Route 6 and East 55th- wants to put in a gas station/mini-mart. He would like to meet with the city about a TIF agreement.
- TIF agreement for the old carwash property- The individual that owns The Brunch House in town would like to rehab the old building for possible retail businesses- possible grocery/convenience store. He would like to do a five year lease with the city.
- Annexation of the 1 acre Swan property and the annexation of the 40 acre Cleveland Rd. Larson property- everything must be connected to the city.
- Commercial kitchen/food truck business (a chef that sold his Davenport business) is looking into going in a 5 acre parcel on Rt 6.

- Unfortunately we did not get the lead waterline grant. There is an infrastructure grant that they are looking into.

FINANCE/ADMIN COMMITTEE: The last meeting was held Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 3:30pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 3:30pm.

- City Hall staffing- keep as an ongoing discussion. Along with their normal duties, staff is now having to answer calls and book reservations for CSFP and the Activity Center.
- Water/Sewer/Refuse Rates- Waiting on budget information and a meeting with the Moline crew at the water/sewer treatment plant for water/sewer rates. Rates were increased last in June 2016, the previous increase was 8-10 years before that. There will possibly be an increase in the water rates, they will need to look at the budget first. Possibly look into a gradual increase to allow people to budget.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: The next Public Safety Committee meeting is January 26, 2023 at 2:30pm.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: The last Public Works Committee meeting was Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 5:00pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 5:00pm.

- Larry called and spoke with IML about the proper procedure to protect ourselves concerning Chestnut Dr.- they recommended having the city attorney check into everything and have it in writing. They have been waiting for state and county confirmation that the city owns the property.
- The committee is in favor of having campers at CSFP make campground signs at no cost to the city.
- Move to next council meeting agenda for action: Approving the campground manager's position with increase in pay and hours.
- Move to next council meeting agenda for action: Approving the fee increases at Colona Scott Family Park.
- Basement mold removal update- \$750 for just covering the prints to go out for bids.
- Moline will haul away sludge for \$2,625/15 tons, we will be saving money.
- Discussed vehicle replacement program.
- Discussed lift station and pump program.

CLOSED SESSION: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Alderman Swemline; Seconded by Alderman Feliksiak. Unanimous vote to adjourn by all present. Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.



Melanie Hergert, City Clerk

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Date Approved