

The second meeting of October for the Denver City Council, Bremer County, Iowa was held on Monday October 19, 2020 at the Denver City Hall Council Chambers. Council Members present were Gavin Carman, Sean Hartman, Mark Richmann, Joel Wikner, Matt Wittenburg. There was one person in attendance.

Mayor Diercks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion Wikner, second Hartman to Approve the Agenda. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Wittenburg, second Carman to approve the Minutes of October 5, 2020. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

There was no Public Forum.

Engineer Mark Durbahn reviewed the Iowa Street Reconstruction Project with the City Council. There was a Public Information Meeting conducted on June 29, 2020. Packets that contained Permanent Easement Documents, compensation amount for the easement, Permanent Easement Plat, Signature Page to be recorded and Estimate of Preliminary Assessment were mailed out in September to each property owner on Iowa Street. A second letter was mailed to property owners who had not returned the Permanent Easement paperwork to City Hall requesting them to be returned by October 16, 2020. Mark Durbahn explained that without a Permanent Easement it would make the job much more difficult for the contractor to complete. Alton Midthus, an Iowa street Property Owner has been contacting his neighbors about getting their easements signed and returned to City Hall. Councilman Carman requested Mark Durbahn to e-mail the Council the Special Assessment Sheet, Property Owners that have not returned their easements and the Easement Map he was using to show the easements obtained to date. The Council agreed to extend the deadline for two more weeks to return their signed Permanent Easement Agreement. Council Members plan on going to the property owners' home and meet with them to seek out their opinion on doing this project and whether or not they will grant a Permanent Easement.

The Council took no action and will not be funding the Denver Betterment Committee Christmas Lighting Contest. Councilman Hartman and Councilman Richmann will be in contact with Caryl Tjaden and would like to donate their own money for the Christmas Lighting Contest.

The Council reviewed a Letter from Iowa Regional Utilities Association of their intentions to provide water service to the Al & Karen Hintz Home and Steve & Kelly Langan Home that are presently under construction. The Council agreed to allow Iowa Regional Utilities Association to provide service for these two homes but all future development of the 81.12 acres will need to be served by the Denver Water Supply. Councilman Carman asked to have City Attorney Pat Dillon provide a Legal Opinion on what Standing the City has to serve this area from the Denver Water Supply. The Council wants this area to be served from the Denver Water Supply and have Fire Protection Capabilities and not Iowa Regional Utilities Association as it develops in the future.

Motion Carman, second Wittenburg to approve Resolution No. 71-2020 Final Special Assessment Schedule for the FY 2018 South State Street Reconstruction Project from US 63 to Prestien Drive. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Richmann, second Hartman to approve Resolution No. 72-2020 Employee Health Insurance Plan for Full-Time Employees for the Plan Year December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Carman, second Richmann to approve Resolution No. 73-2020 Employee Health Insurance Plan for Full-Time Employees for the Plan Year January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Carman, second Richmann to approve Resolution No. 74-2020 for the Agreement between the City of Denver and the Iowa Department of Transportation for a Living Roadway Trust Fund Grant for Tree Planting along South State Street in the amount of \$5,908 and Local Matching Funds of \$1,522. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Hartman, second Richmann to approve Elizabeth Appel to the Denver Ambulance Service. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

The Council discussed the poor condition of the Grand Stand at Prestien Park. The Council would like an orange fence to be put up around the Grand Stand so no one trips on the concrete until it is repaired.

The Council was in agreement to change the hours worked for Public Works Employees to 7:30-Noon 12:30-4:00. The Council will adopt the change by Resolution at the November 2, 2020 City Council Meeting.

Motion Wikner, second Richmann to increase the cost for the Green 64 Gallon Garbage Containers and the Blue 64 Gallon Recycling Containers to \$100/Each.

The Council discussed the future direction of the Electric Department. Larry Zars will be retiring in July of 2021. Local electricians will be contacted to see what services they can provide for troubleshooting, maintenance and repair from the meter in at all City Facilities. The Council would like to budget to hire an employee for mowing and various jobs so the two Electric Employees can work on the Electric System.

In Other Business Councilman Carman would like to have a schedule for hiring the next Police Officer. The Council discussed the Public Works Work List.

Motion Richmann, second Wikner to adjourn. The City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Revenues for the Month of September 2020

General Fund	\$ 50,459.11
Library Savings Fund	\$ 2.24
Road Use Fund	\$ 25,307.43
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 17,770.56
Tax Increment Financing Fund	\$ 18,795.83
Debt Service Fund	\$ 9,830.74
Permanent Fund	\$ 750.00
Water Utility Fund	\$ 22,405.04
Sanitary Sewer Fund	\$ 45,940.09

Electric Utility Fund	\$153,018.30
Electric Utility Deposit Fund	\$ 1,037.43
Storm Water Utility Fund	\$ 2,318.55
Total	\$347,635.32

Expenditures for the Month of September 2020

General Fund	\$ 78,315.20
Library Savings Fund	\$ 0.00
Road Use Fund	\$ 38,867.22
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 0.00
Tax Increment Financing Fund	\$ 0.00
Debt Service Fund	\$ 0.00
Permanent Fund	\$ 0.00
Water Utility Fund	\$ 27,506.00
Sanitary Sewer Fund	\$ 17,699.46
Electric Utility Fund	\$149,150.14
Electric Utility Deposit Fund	\$ 2,429.05
Storm Water Utility Fund	\$ 3.00
Total	\$313,970.07

Rod Diercks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Larry Farley, City Clerk/Admin.