

DUNKERTON CITY COUNCIL met in regular session, **August 9, 2021**, in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Michael J. Schares presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Brian Roquet, Ron Reichen, Allison Baugher, Derek Shaner and Monica Smith. Quorum present. Mayor Schares led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Due to public health concerns related to COVID-19, as authorized by emergency proclamation of the Governor of the State of Iowa, this meeting of the City Council was conducted electronically, pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8, as holding the meeting in person was impossible or impractical. Residents could participate via an online session at Zoom.us by entering meeting ID: 882 8105 9596 and password: 700935. Residents could also participate via audio by dialing 1.312.626.6799 and entering the meeting ID and password listed above.

Unless otherwise noted, all actions were passed by affirmative and unanimous vote of the council members present.

Consent agenda: Reichen moved, Roquet seconded to approve the Consent Agenda by one motion a) August 9, 2021 Agenda, b) July 12, 2021 Council Minutes Regular Mtg and July 20, 2021 Council Minutes Special Mtg; c) July 2021 Monthly Reports: Clerk Financial Reports, Bank Reconciliation, UB Reconciliation, Ambulance, Police, Library, Park Board, Proclamation for Melvin "Buck" Joens noting 17 years of fire department service, Proclamation for Mary Lou Shimp noting her long tenure with the Park Board, and Bills Resolution 2021-43.

#### Department Head Reports:

- Library Director Wheeler was unable to attend.
- Fire Chief Manahl was unable to attend.
- Police Chief Stafford was unable to attend.
- Clerk Steffen provided the council with information regarding the League Annual Conference.
- Public Works Director Loftus stated the Public Works Dept has been addressing a wasp issue at city buildings and that the Mug-A-Bug sprayer has arrived.
- Mayor Schares informed the council that Mr. Harmon has plead not guilty to the nuisance abatement charges and a trial date has been set.

Moved by Smith, seconded by Baugher to approve posting a full-time position for a Deputy Clerk / Public Works staff member. Position will provide administrative support to the City Clerk and also provide mowing, snowplow and street maintenance support to Public Works.

Moved by Roquet, seconded by Shaner to receive, and place on file the only Manhole Repair Bid received from Robert C. Hauptly Construction \$14,750.

Moved by Reichen, seconded by Roquet to award the Manhole Repair bid to Robert C. Hauptly Construction for \$14,750.

Moved by Baugher, seconded by Shaner to receive, and place on file Park Shelter Bids – AB Creative \$39,845 and Matt Stickfort Construction \$12,575.

Moved by Reichen, seconded by Shaner to award Park Shelter Bid to lowest bidder – Matt Stickfort Construction for \$12,575. Park shelter to be located on Lincoln Street at the old locker area.

Moved by Roquet, seconded by Reichen to approve the purchase of 6 iPads to be used by council.

Public Comments:

- Mr. Russ Nesbit informed the council that the leaves on the trees along the cemetery driveway are turning black.

Mayoral and Council comments:

- Council member Smith read a draft of an article to be submitted to the Dunkerton News.
- Mayor Schares informed the council that Boomerang should begin construction of the new water filtration plant at the end of August.
- Council member Reichen mentioned he had been approached by area teachers and asked if Tower Street could be renamed Raider Drive.

With no further discussion, Reichen / Roquet to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

Michael J. Schares, Mayor

ATTEST: Sheila K. Steffen, City Clerk