

(Subject to Approval)  
**CITY OF SWISHER, IOWA**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 5, 2023**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Christopher Taylor called Special Council Meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. on January 5, 2023 at Swisher Library, Swisher IA.

**Council Present:** Kris Heims, Michael Stagg. Attended by Zoom: Mary Gudenkauf. Absent: Rebekah Neuendorf and Kody Pudil.

**Also present:** City Clerk/Finance Officer Tawnia Kakacek, Public Works Superintendent Justin Fields, Kelly Stagg. City Engineer Cody Buelt joined by via Zoom.

**Agenda:** Motion by Heims, seconded by Stagg to approve the agenda. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Change Order for Sewer Project-Oak Avenue:** Fields gave overview of project and noted when company started trenching, they noticed some of the pipes were going to end up being above ground, so there was not enough depth to do this. He noted that he recommended option 2 but council went with engineer's recommendation to go option 1 for replacing the sewer lines. Engineer Buelt noted he was not sure what happened on plans before as he wasn't there. Fields noted the following: cost to do option 2 would be increase of \$26,002.30 making total costs of \$72,800, in September option 2 quote was \$44,803.44 and option 1 quote was \$46,797.70; costs of everything had gone up with the 2 manholes increased to \$12,350.00 plus would have to concrete the section of road as too cold for asphalt; the line is 350' not 270' to middle of 4<sup>th</sup> Street; if the company doing the work now is approved for change order they would not charge for the work they have done so far; the company may take off \$4,000 off the complete bill if need be. Buelt noted this could be filled up with rock on 4<sup>th</sup> Street and put on bid for street project for next year. Kakacek inquired if this was already included for the street project for next year. Buelt wasn't sure. Kakacek also noted doing the project now and pay out of sewer funds to include the road section would be better than doing out of road use fund for street project as road use funds are low. It was noted there is no easement on 1<sup>st</sup> house which needs to be done. Fields will contact the owner to see if okay and city will get easement paperwork done to have her sign. It was questioned if the existing easement on the other homes will work for the project. Heims asked Buelt if HR Green could pay for part of this due to their error under the Errors and Omissions policy HR Green has. Buelt will check into this. It was discussed to either wait and fill in with rock or do concrete now on 4<sup>th</sup> Street manhole. After discussion, Stagg moved, seconded by Gudenkauf to approve change order to do option 2 at total cost of project \$72,800 with Corum Construction and hopefully get \$4,000 decrease, and getting easements from property owner plus try to do concrete on 4<sup>th</sup> Street if possible, otherwise do rock. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Absent: Neuendorf, Pudil. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Heims, seconded by Gudenkauf to adjourn. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

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Tawnia Kakacek, City Clerk/Finance Officer

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Christopher Taylor, Mayor