

(Subject to Approval)
CITY OF SWISHER, IOWA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 24, 2022

This meeting was also held electronically. Anyone could attend in person, dial-in or connect electronically to hear the actual meeting.

Call To Order: Mayor Christopher Taylor called the Swisher Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Swisher Library, Swisher, Iowa on October 24, 2022.

Council Present: Mary Gudenkauf, Kris Heims, Rebekah Neuendorf, Kody Pudil, Michael Stagg.

Also Present: City Clerk/Finance Officer Tawnia Kakacek, HR Green Engineers Cody Buelt and Matt Wildman, Sarah Thompson-Director of Rural Development of Iowa City Area Development (ICAD). Attended by Zoom was Heidi Kuhl from Northland Securities.

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

Approve Quote to Remove Grit from Sewer Plant: Council reviewed quotes from Kenway Excavating of \$26,325.20 and ION Environmental of \$18,000.00. Gudenkauf noted she prefer to have another quote, as it could look like conflict of interest using ION because we contract them for sewer. Stagg and Gudenkauf would prefer to have 3 quotes for every project if possible. Heims noted ION would charge up to \$18,000 no matter how many loads it would take to remove the grit. Kakacek noted Chad from ION didn't submit any other quotes as hard finding companies for this type of work. Mayor suggested Fields to take over obtaining quotes in the future so not looking like conflict of interest. After discussion, Pudil moved, seconded by Gudenkauf, to award quote from ION Environmental of \$18,000 to remove grit from the sewer plant. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Iowa City Area Development-Rural Development: Sarah Thompson of ICAD introduced herself and gave information what their group could do for Swisher. Thompson noted her group will meet November 2nd and if one or two councilpersons would like to attend, let her know.

Resolution No. 2022-52-Awarding Private Placement of General Obligation Public Works Facility Bonds: After review of term sheet and award of private placement, Pudil moved, seconded by Stagg to approve Resolution No. 2022-52 entitled "RESOLUTION AWARDING PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY BONDS, SERIES 2022A" with Central State Bank, Cedar Rapids, IA. Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Heims, Neuendorf, Pudil, Stagg. Nays: None. Resolution No. 2022-52 passed.

Resolution No. 2022-53-Approve Ironside Addition Preliminary & Final Plat: After review of plat, Planning & Zoning Commission recommendation of approval and city engineer noting it has met the city's requirements, Stagg moved, seconded by Heims to approve Resolution No. 2022-53 entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IRONSIDE TRUST PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT, SWISHER, IOWA". Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Heims, Neuendorf, Pudil, Stagg. Nays: None. Resolution No. 2022-53 passed.

Approve Payment for Sewer Project: Kakacek noted she delayed paying these invoices until the SRF Loan was approved for sewer project. After review, Pudil moved, seconded by Heims to approve payment of two invoices with total of \$23,814.50 to HR Green for sewer project. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Appoint Representatives for Sewer Project Steering Committee: Engineer Beult would like representatives from council and staff to help guide decisions for sewer project. Pudil and Stagg volunteered to be the representatives from Council. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2022-54-Approve Agreement for Water Infrastructure Planning: Heims noted the public needs to be educated on this and was disappointed with engineer on the communication. She asked Council to consider working with a different engineer firm for this project. Stagg suggested a council representative to be the contact person and communicate with council. Engineer Wildman addressed concerns of Heims and noted the proposed agreement would include a desktop study to locate wells, sampling known Silurian wells, work with the legal counsel, work with the Water Committee, do public meetings December-February. He noted Sandy Steil's client offered to have test drill on the newly annexed Fisher's property. Stagg noted a list of benefits and concerns of water be done and presented to community. Mayor noted council needs to be prepared to answer questions. After review and discussion, Stagg moved, seconded by Neuendorf to approve Resolution No. 2022-54 entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH HR GREEN FOR WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING". Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Heims, Neuendorf, Pudil, Stagg. Nays: None. Resolution No. 2022-54 passed.

Resolution No. 2022-55-Approve Agreement for Shop Building Project: After review and discussion, Pudil moved, seconded by Stagg to approve Resolution No. 2022-55 entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH HR GREEN TO DRAFT PLANS FOR SHOP BUILDING PROJECT". Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Heims, Neuendorf, Pudil, Stagg. Nays: None. Resolution No. 2022-55 passed.

Refer to Planning & Zoning-Proposed Fringe Area Agreement: Kakacek noted this agreement was sent from Johnson County and has sent to the city engineer and attorney for their review. Motion by Gudenkauf, seconded by Stagg to refer this to Planning & Zoning Commission for review and recommendation. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Swisher Welcome Signs: Council reviewed quote to repaint signs. Pudil noted city staff can install the treated posts which could be taken off the quote. Kakacek inquired if Council wants to repaint or do a new sign with current city logo on it. Neuendorf recommended to include reviewing all the signage on Division Street. Council directed this to be tabled to spring.

Set Public Hearing for Budget Amendment: Kakacek presented proposed budget amendment. Gudenkauf moved, seconded by Neuendorf, to set budget amendment public hearing for November 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Swisher Library. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review 2021-22 Audit Report: Council reviewed 2021-22 Audit Report. Mayor noted the report was good.

Adjournment: Motion by Neuendorf, seconded by Pudil to adjourn. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Tawnia Kakacek, City Clerk/ Finance Officer

Christopher Taylor, Mayor