

(Subject to Approval)
CITY OF SWISHER, IOWA
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 24, 2019

Call to Order: Mayor Christopher Taylor called Special Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at Swisher City Hall, Swisher, Iowa on June 24, 2019.

Council Present: Jerry Hightshoe, James Rowe, Michael Stagg. Mary Gudenkauf joining remotely as she is working in Madison tonight. Per Iowa Code 21.8, she is legally allowed to “remote in” to actively participate in this meeting and vote on all items. Absent: Rebekah Neuendorf.

Also present: City Clerk Tawnia Kakacek, City Engineer Tim Cutsforth-HR Green.

Agenda: Mayor noted agenda Item#4-Accept Plans/Specs for Division St./120th St. Project is to be removed from the agenda as not ready for approval. Motion by Rowe, seconded by Stagg to approve the agenda with removal of Item #4. Call for vote. All ayes. Absent: Neuendorf. Motion carried.

Request to Connect to City Storm Sewer: Council reviewed request from Mat Ayers of 616 Hill Court SW to connect to city storm sewer. City Engineer Cutsforth reviewed right-of-way application and drawing of proposed connection and recommended approval to connect to city storm sewer but noted someday the connection will have to be replaced. Council discussed if adjoining property owners needed to be informed and Mayor noted if done in the city right-of-way they didn’t need to be notified. Mayor and Hightshoe thought Ayrs should talk to his neighbors anyway. Cutsforth noted at previous council meeting Ayers said he did talk to his neighbors to the South. Council thanked Ayers for finding an alternate solution to his drainage issue. After discussion, Hightshoe moved, seconded by Rowe, to approve 616 Hill Court SW to be connected to city storm sewer. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Absent: Neuendorf. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2019-28-Approve 28E Agreement with Johnson County for Division St./120th St. Project: City Engineer Cutsforth presented total project costs between the city and the county. The county had made the city engineer’s recommended changes on the agreement except Item #6.D. The city engineer recommended the cost pro-rata shares reflect an apportionment similar to the design engineering as a percentage and the county noted they do all their agreements with cost pro-rata shares of actual project construction costs and not percentages. Cutsforth reported the following: the county will pay maximum of \$1.5 million for total project and the City will pay the rest for Sections 1 & 3 of \$1.58 million; due to not receiving the county specs/plans, the project will probably start in early August so will do either Section 3 (Swisher View to Green Castle Rd) or Section 1 (Summit Ave to past the fire station) plus the culvert and do the other section in Spring 2020; council discussed effect delay will have on residents, schools, and fire department; county’s project will be base bid and city project will be alternate bid as county is including other areas to bid. After review and discussion, Gudenkauf moved, seconded by Stagg, to approve Resolution No. 2019-28 entitled “RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 28E AGREEMENT BETWEEN JOHNSON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF SWISHER FOR DIVISION/120TH STREET PROJECT THAT REPLACES PREVIOUS AGREEMENT ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION NO. 2018-16”. Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Hightshoe, Rowe, Stagg. Nays: None. Absent: Neuendorf. Resolution No. 2019-28 passed.

Additional Bond Payment: City Clerk Kakacek stated city received TIF Funds to pay additional principal sewer bond payment. Gudenkauf thanked Kakacek for her work on this. After discussion, Stagg moved, seconded by Rowe, to approve additional principal sewer bond payment of \$317,578.82. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes. Absent: Neuendorf. Motion carried. Swisher’s City Council through careful planning and budgeting is making a significant payment toward the current sewer bond. Originally forecasted for final repayment in June 2030, this bond is now estimated to be paid in full by June 2021. Once the loan for this capital project is paid, the city will direct its efforts to the next major capital investment of Division Street.

Resolution 2019-29-Approve Transfer of Funds from TIF to Debt Service: Kakacek noted this would need to be done to pay the additional sewer bond payment out of Debt Service Fund. After discussion, Stagg moved, seconded by Hightshoe to approve Resolution No. 2019-29 by title only “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO

TRANSFER FUNDS” of \$317,578.82 from TIF Fund to Debt Service Fund. Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Hightshoe, Rowe, Stagg. Nays: None. Absent: Neuendorf. Resolution 2019-29 passed.

Resolution 2019-30-Approve Transfer of Funds from EMA Fund to General Fund: Kakacek noted this is done annually and budgeted. After discussion, Hightshoe moved, seconded by Gudenkauf to approve Resolution No. 2019-30 by title only “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSFER FUNDS” of \$7,457.09 from EMA Fund to General Fund. Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Hightshoe, Rowe, Stagg. Nays: None. Absent: Neuendorf. Resolution 2019-30 passed.

Resolution 2019-31-Approve Transfer of Funds from TIF, LOST to Division St/120th St. Project: Kakacek noted this was budgeted to help pay for the Division St./120th St. Project. After discussion, Stagg moved, seconded by Gudenkauf to approve Resolution No. 2019-31 by title only “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSFER FUNDS” of \$16,889.00 from TIF Fund and \$365,441.49 from LOST (Local Option Sale Tax) Fund to Division Street Capital Project Fund. Roll call vote. Ayes: Gudenkauf, Hightshoe, Rowe, Stagg. Nays: None. Absent: Neuendorf. Resolution 2019-31 passed.

Mayor Taylor called for a special meeting on Wednesday, June 26th at 5:30 p.m. to approve trail grant application and city endorsement of application that is due by July 1st.

Adjournment: Motion by Hightshoe, seconded by Rowe to adjourn. Call for vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Tawnia Kakacek, City Clerk

Christopher Taylor, Mayor