

OTTUMWA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Item No. B.-1.

REGULAR MEETING NO. 30
Bridge View Center, 102 Church St.

September 17, 2024
5:30 O'Clock P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

Present were Council Member Galloway, Hoffman, Caviness, Bossou and Mayor Johnson.
Council Member McAntire was absent.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman with strong opposition to Item B-4 to approve consent agenda items: Mins. from Regular Mtg. No.28 on Sept. 3, 2024 and Special Mtg. No. 29 on Sept. 10, 2024 as presented; Ack. and approve Sept. 17, 2024 Claims List submitted by Finance; Recommend Re-appointment of Dan Quinn to Airport Adv. Brd., term to exp. 10/01/2028; Civil Service Elig. List for Sept. 11, 2024: Fire Chief – Promotional; Canvasser/Solicitor application for Knights of Columbus for Annual Tootsie Roll Drive on Sept. 27-28, 2024; Setting Oct. 1, 2024 as date of public hearing on proposed spending plans for 2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Funds; Approve purchase of 2024 Dodge Ram 3500 Tradesman Crew Cab 4X4 for Fire Dept/HazMat Team (\$63,000); Approve purchase of equip. needed for 2024 Sutphen Fire Apparatus (\$16,711.10); Approve replacement of Hydromatic 60RDP Load-out Pump for WPCF (\$14,518); Approve Elm St. Valve Replacement for WPCF (\$18,700); Res. No. 203-2024, approve and auth. signature of MOU between City and Teamsters Local No. 238, representing PW Employees, (Engineering position updates); Res. No. 205-2024, approving Street Fin. Rpt. for FY24 for City of Ottumwa and file with IADOT; Cigarette Permit Ap. For Dollar General #30778 (616 W. Mary St.); Beer and/or liquor ap. for: U.S. Smoke Shop No. 1, 610 Church St.; RE/MAX Pride, 2431 Northgate, Alpine Inn, 1804 Albia Rd., with OSA; Pallister Brothers, 116 N. Market St.; Snookered, 109 S. Green St.; Bubba-Q's, 1110 N. Quincy Ave.; all applications pending final inspections. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Bossou moved, seconded by Galloway to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

City Admin. Rath reported passage of LOSST with revised split; tonight will be Bossou's last mtg., welcoming Dan Reid to Council on Sept. 23, 2024.

Mayor Johnson celebrated Sue Smith on her retirement from Main Street Ottumwa; 25 yrs. as downtown maint. specialist.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman to auth. staff to issue refund to April & Michael Shilkus in the amt. of \$107 for taxes due on vacant lot 119 N. Ward that they purchased from the City. Comm. Dev. Dir. Simonson reported past-due taxes on the lot were not removed when City took over property in 2019. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 195-2024, accepting work as final and complete and approving Final Pay Request for Elm St. Recon. Project, be passed and adopted. PW Dir. Burgmeier reported CO#1 decreased contract \$27,592; New Contract Sum \$492,185. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 196-2024, auth. renewal of Medicare Supplemental plan for Retirees for 2025, be passed and adopted. HR Dir. Codjoe reported rates for medical coverage will increase by 18.33% due to significant changes to Medicare Part D. New Premium will be \$282 per member per month starting Jan. 1, 2025; with 50% being paid by City and 50% paid by retiree. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Bossou moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 197-2024, approving Contract with Willett Hofmann to Provide Professional Services for Cemetery Office and Maint. Bldg. Project, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Bossou that Res. No. 199-2024, fixing an amount for abating a nuisance against certain lots in City of Ottumwa for 2023 Grass & Weed Mowing Assessments totaling \$53,245 for 73 properties, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 200-2024, fixing an amount for abating a nuisance against certain lots in City of Ottumwa for 2023 Clean-Up Assessments, totaling \$55,513.41 for 40 properties, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 201-2024, fixing an amount for abating a nuisance against certain lots in City of Ottumwa for 2023 Demolition Assessments, totaling \$240,597.04 for 12 properties, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 202-2024, Est. Permit Fee for Golf Cart Registration per Sec. 23-533 of the Code of Ord. of the City of Ottumwa, be passed and adopted. Rath reported annual registration fee will be \$60; prorated \$15 per quarter. Caviness thought this amt. was too high; discussion was had. Motion carried 3-2. Ayes: Galloway, Hoffman, Bossou. Nays: Caviness. Absent: McAntire.

Galloway moved, seconded by Bossou that Res. No. 204-2024, directing acceptance of a Proposal to Purchase \$755,000* (Subject to Adj.) GO CLN, Series 2024B, be passed and adopted. Finance Dir. O'Donnell reported three proposals rec'd. Huntington Bank of Cincinnati, OH was best qualified bid with rate of 3.85%; proposed lease agt. had rate of 5.82%; Loan Amt. \$755,000 with proceeds of \$733,756. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Bossou moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 207-2024, Approving Agt. with GOPiP for Limited Sponsorship of the 20th Annual Holiday Nights and Lights, be passed and adopted. Mayor reported, sponsorship will be \$500 or less towards the event for a display. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 208-2024, awarding contract for asbestos abatement and demolition of 506 Clinton to Weston McKee of Fairfield, IA, in the amt. \$8,000 for Abatement and \$8,000 for Demolition (\$16,000 total bid), be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Bossou moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 209-2024, adopting 2024 Ottumwa Historic Preservation Plan, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Galloway moved, seconded by Bossou that Res. No. 210-2024, repealing certain Res. Adopted at the Sept. 3, 2024 Mtg. No. 28, be passed and adopted. Burgmeier reported, Res. No. 190-2024, 192-2024, 193-2024 and 194-2024 referenced public hearings that were not held. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 211-2024, Est. Policy Related to Process and Procedures for Requesting Rental of City Poles for Displaying Banners, be passed and adopted. Rath reported ORHC asked the City about possibility of hanging banners on city-owned street poles as a way to promote health initiatives. Raquel Alderman and Lisa Garrison, both from ORHC, reported they want

to paint the town pink for breast cancer awareness for the month of Oct. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Res. No. 147-2024 remains on the TABLE.

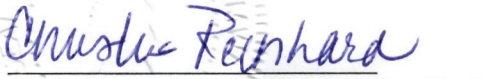
There being no further business, Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway that the mtg. adjourn. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Adjournment was at 6:54 P.M.

CITY OF OTTUMWA, IOWA


Richard W. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Christina Reinhard, CMC, City Clerk

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