

OTTUMWA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING NO. 33
Bridge View Center, 102 Church St.

October 15, 2024
5:30 O'Clock P.M.

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

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

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to approve consent agenda: Mins. from Regular Mtg. No. 31 on Oct. 1, 2024 as presented; Ack. and approve Oct. 15, 2024 Claims List submitted by Finance; Ack. Aug. 2024 financial stmts. submitted by Finance; Approving purchase of six (6) Galvanized Light Poles for Electrical Dept. (\$26,298); Res. No. 229-2024, fixing Nov. 5, 2024 as date for public hearing to approve plans, specs., form of contract and est. cost for Cemetery Office and Maint. Bldg. Project; Res. No. 230-2024, fixing Nov. 5, 2024 as date for public hearing on proposal to discontinue Public Safety Adv. Comm.; Beer and/or liquor applications for: Mimi's Taqueria, Inc., 707 Church St., with osa; Ross Tobacco Shop, 129 East 2nd; Mizu Hibachi & Sushi, 1111 Quincy Ave., Suite 111; Club 888, 123 W. Third; all applications pending final inspections. Motion carried 3-2. Ayes: Caviness, Galloway, Hoffman. Nays: Reid. Absent: McAntire.

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

Update provided by City Admin. Rath.

Mayor Johnson inquired if anyone from the audience wished to speak on any agenda item. There were none.

This was the time, place and date set for a Public Hearing to approve lease agt. for 14521 Second Ave., 6,000 sq. ft. of Bldg. No. 34 located at Ottumwa Reg. Airport. Dir. Airport Operations Wheaton reported. No objections rec'd. Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 227-2024, approving lease agt. with Zach Ashmore for approx. 6,000 sq. ft. of Bldg. No. 34 at Ottumwa Reg. Airport, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

This was the time, place and date set for a Public Hearing on proposal to convey real property at 1229 Brentwood to Weston McKee. Comm. Dev. Dir. Simonson reported. Four bids rec'd Oct. 1, 2024; no objections rec'd. Hoffman moved, seconded by Reid to close public hearing. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 232-2024, accepting bid and approving conveyance of real property (1229 Brentwood) to Weston McKee in the amt. \$81,200, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

This was the time, place and date set for a Public Hearing on proposal to convey interests in real property at 1317 E. Mary to Selman Aliu, pursuant to a proposed Purchase Agt. Simonson reported Mr. Aliu filed petition no. 5107-2024 requesting to purchase this piece of property in order to pave and expand his

parking area to make it easier for large trucks to turn around. No objections rec'd. Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway to close public hearing. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 234-2024, approving and auth. conveyance of real property at 1317 E. Mary to Selman Aliu and approving and auth. execution of Purchase Agt., be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

This was the time, place and date set for a Public Hearing approving plans, specs., form of contract and est. cost, awarding contract and Approving Contract, Bonds and Cert. of Ins. for Blake's Branch Sewer Separation, Ph. 8, Div. 3 Project. PW Dir./City Eng. Burgmeier reported along with Randy Johnson (V&K). No objections rec'd. Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 235-2024, adopting Plans, Specs., Form of Contract and Est. Cost for Blake's Branch Sewer Separation, Ph. 8, Div. 3 Project, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 236-2024, making Award of Construction Contract for Blake's Branch Sewer Separation, Ph. 8, Div. 3 Project, be passed and adopted. Burgmeier reported four bids rec'd.; the lowest responsible bidder was Portzen Construction, Inc. from Dubuque, IA, in the amt. \$14,707,563.00. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 237-2024, approving Construction Contract and Bond for construction of Blake's Branch Sewer Separation, Ph. 8, Div. 3 Project, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

HR Dir. Codjoe provided draft version of Anti-Harassment Policy for City of Ottumwa employees. This will be on the agenda for Nov. 5, 2024 action.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman to approve Planning Dept. Policy No. 1-2024, a Policy Concerning Courtesy Notices for Variances, Cond. Use Permits and Rezonings. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Reid to approve purchase of CASE SR175B Skid Steer from Greiner Implement for \$35,000 after trade-in credit for Recycling Center. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Reid that Res. No. 226-2024, auth. Mayor to sign agt. with Kirkham Michael and Assoc., Inc. for survey, design, bid, construction and close out phases for T-Hanger project at Ottumwa Reg. Airport, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 228-2024, approving contract with Revize LLC for development, redesign and hosting of custom municipal website for \$44,600 for first yr. and \$6,900 per yr. for subsequent yrs., with option of splitting up initial price over first three yrs., be passed and adopted. PIO Lawrence reported eight bids rec'd. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 231-2024, est. fees for Planning and Development Services in Ottumwa and rescinding Res. No. 54-2023, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 233-2024, affirming City of Ottumwa's Commitment to Option No. 3 of 2019 IDOT's Concept of Reconstruction of US 34 from Wildwood Dr. to West Junction US 63, be passed and adopted. Rath reported earliest this could be in IDOT's timeline is 2030; elimination of overpasses in 5 different locations and installation of roundabouts at ground level. Concerns from OWW as water infrastructure would need to be addressed and costs associated with such. Motion carried 3-2. Ayes: Reid, Galloway, Hoffman. Nays: Caviness. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 238-2024, approving purchase of 2024 Magnum Patcher from Road Doctors (\$68,000), be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Reid that Res. No. 239-2024, awarding contracts for asbestos abatement and demolition of 120 N. Davis (Dan Laursen \$1,000 Abatement) (Don Jones \$7,200 Demolition) total \$8,200, be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Caviness that Res. No. 241-2024, awarding contract for asbestos abatement and demolition of 1515 W. Main to Dan Laursen of Ottumwa, IA \$5,700 (\$700 Abatement, \$5,000 Demolition), be passed and adopted. Motion carried 4-1. Absent: McAntire.

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

Mayor Johnson asked if anyone from the audience wished to address Council on any non-agenda items. Ed Paxton reported on the same nuisance property on E. Main St.

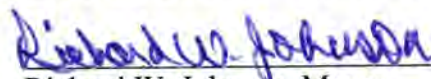
Reid explained his abstention when voting on consent agenda; personal reasons related to approving liquor licenses; discussed possibility of pulling that item out to vote on separately for future mtgs.

Mayor stated he will be out the month of November for surgery. Galloway will act as Mayor Pro Tem.

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

Adjournment was at 7:40 P.M.

CITY OF OTTUMWA, IOWA


Richard W. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Christina Reinhard, CMC, City Clerk

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