

OTTUMWA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Item No. B.-1.

REGULAR MEETING NO. 6
Bridge View Center, 102 Church St.

February 18, 2025
5:30 O'Clock P.M.

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

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

McAntire moved, seconded by Hoffman to approve consent agenda: Mins. from Regular Mtg. No. 5 on Feb. 4, 2025 as presented; Ack. and approve Feb. 18, 2025 Claims List submitted by Finance; Ack. Jan. 2025 financial stmts submitted by Finance; Civil Service Elig. Lists for Feb. 12, 2025: Clerk Entrance, IT Tech Entrance and Engineering Tech I Entrance; Res. No. 19-2025, setting March 4, 2025 at 5:30 P.M. as date of public hearing on proposal to convey 817 Lee, to Rippling Waters; Res. No. 21-2025, setting March 4, 2025 at 5:30 P.M. as date of public hearing on proposal to convey 813 Lee, to Rippling Waters; Res. No. 31-2025, setting March 4, 2025 at 5:30 P.M. as date of public hearing on proposal to convey 901 Queen Anne, to Manny Martinez; Beer and/or liquor applications for: For the Love of Paint by Good Shepard Creations, 324 E. Main St.; Cerro Grande Meats & Market, 311 E. Main St. Motion carried 4-1. Ayes: Galloway, Hoffman, McAntire, Caviness. Nays: Reid.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway to approve agenda as presented. All ayes.

City Admin. provided legislative update.

Mayor Johnson inquired if anyone from the audience wished to speak on any agenda items. Peg Lazio requested to speak on Item G-2.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing approving plans, specs., form of contract and est. cost for the S. Market St. Gateway Project. PW Dir/City Engineer Burgmeier reported. No objections rec'd. Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 25-2025, approving Plans, Specs., Form of Contract and Est. Cost for the S. Market St. Gateway Project, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing on auth. of a Loan Agt. and Issuance of Notes not to exceed \$16,000,000 Sewer Revenue Capital Loan Notes. Fin. Dir. O'Donnell reported. No objections rec'd. Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 26-2025, instituting proceedings to take addt'l action for issuance of Not to Exceed \$16,000,000 Sewer Revenue Capital Loan Notes, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing on auth. of a Loan Agt. and Issuance of Notes not to exceed \$550,000 Gen. Ob. Capital Loan Notes (GCP). O'Donnell reported. No objections rec'd. McAntire moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 27-2025, instituting proceedings to take addt'l action for issuance of Not to Exceed \$550,000 GO Capital Loan Notes (GCP), be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 30-2025, auth. Issuance of \$550,000 GO Capital Loan Notes, Series 2025, and Levying a Tax for the Payment Thereof, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

This was the time, place and date set for a public hearing on Proposed Ord. No. 3239-2025, Amending the Municipal Code of the City of Ottumwa, IA by Amending Section 31-14(a) entitled "Fees and Charges, Costs." O'Donnell reported an increase to sewer fees. A revised Ordinance was presented to Council drawing out the increases over ten yrs (through 2034). No objections rec'd. McAntire moved, seconded by Hoffman to close public hearing. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to pass first consideration of Ord. No. 3239-2025, amending Municipal Code of the City of Ottumwa, IA by Amending Section 31-14(a) entitled "Fees and Charges, Costs." All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by McAntire to waive second and third considerations, pass and adopt Ord. No. 3239-2025. Motion carried 4-1. Ayes: Galloway, Hoffman, McAntire, Caviness. Nays: Reid.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway to pass Third Consideration and Adopt Ord. No. 3238-2025, Amending Municipal Code of the City of Ottumwa, IA by Repealing and Replacing Section 25-114, as it relates to possession of tobacco by underage persons. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman to pass First Consideration of Ord. No. 3241-2025, Amending City of Ottumwa, IA Code Ch. 12 – Elections; to Adopt Nomination by Petition Manner of Elections Provided for by IA Code Ch. 45 for City of Ottumwa's City Elections, in Accordance with IA Code Ch. 376, and Thus Cease Holding City Primary Elections. Ms. Lazio is not in favor of eliminating primary provisions. All ayes.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Caviness to auth. City Staff to work with partnering entities to design and construct gateway sign at intersection of Roemer and S. Walnut. All ayes.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway to approve grant submission and auth. Mayor and Chief of Police to sign application and contract for the State and Community Highway Safety Grant FY2026 to the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau. All ayes.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 23-2025, accepting work as final and complete and approving Final Pay Request for the 2024 Street Patch Repair Program, be passed and adopted. Total Contract Amt. \$111,002.16. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 24-2025, accepting work as final and complete and approving Final Pay Request for the 2024 Asphalt Street Repair Program, be passed and adopted. Total Contract Amt. \$566,446.55. All ayes.

Hoffman moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 28-2025, auth. FY25 Second Quarter Transfers as submitted by Finance, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 29-2025, auth. purchase of Five MSA Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for Fire Dept. (\$51,780), be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Galloway that Res. No. 32-2025, removing special assessments applied to 901 Queen Anne contained on Res. No. 199-2024 and 200-2024, totaling \$1,306 including admin. costs and interest, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 33-2025, approving Service Agt. with iWorQ for Add'l Data Storage for Permitting and Code Enforcement Software Program, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Caviness moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 34-2025, approving CO No. 1 for Purchase of a New Combi-Oven for the Bridge View Center, be passed and adopted. All ayes.

Mayor Johnson asked if anyone from the audience wished to address Council on any non-agenda items; Tom Lazio discussed ongoing EMS and ambulance services.

There being no further business, Galloway moved, seconded by McAntire that the mtg. adjourn. All ayes.

Adjournment was at 7:14 P.M.



ATTEST:

Christina Reinhard
Christina Reinhard, CMC, City Clerk

CITY OF OTTUMWA, IOWA

Richard W. Johnson
Richard W. Johnson, Mayor

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