

City of LeClaire, Iowa
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 16, 2023 - 6:16 p.m.
Council Chambers - 325 Wisconsin St, LeClaire, IA

Mayor: _____ Blair: _____ Bloom: _____ Gravert: _____ Long: _____ Salvador: _____
Bockenstedt: _____ Laserfiche: _____

Mayor Gerard called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 325 Wisconsin Street. Present: Mayor Dennis Gerard, Council Members Amy Blair, Bill Bloom, Barry Long and Ryan Salvador, City Administrator Dennis Bockenstedt, City Clerk Tracy Northcutt, Police Chief Shane Themas, Fire Chief Shane Bleeker, Public Works Director Mark Dale, Parks & Rec Director Greg Ludwig, Library Director Melita Tunncliff and City Engineer Leo Foley. Absent: Council Member Gravert

Discussion Items:

A. No Parking – Fire Station Area

Dennis Bockenstedt, City Administrator, indicated that it is necessary to amend the Code of Ordinances to establish no parking on 15th St between Jones and Reynolds. Council has no objections to this amendment as presented.

B. Reduction of Speed Limit – 15th St

Dennis Bockenstedt, City Administrator, explained that it is necessary to amend the Code of Ordinances to reduce the speed limit on 15th St between Davenport and Holland from 35 mph to 25 mph. Council has no objections to this amendment as presented.

C. Vets Plex Retaining Wall Project Review

Leo Foley, City Engineer, Veenstra & Kimm, gave an overview of the Vets Plex Retaining Wall Project. Final decisions will be contingent upon the results of the Park & Recreation Strategic Plan results. Council has no objections to the plan as presented.

D. City Center Plaza Project Review

Leo Foley, City Engineer, and John Micka, Project Engineer, Veenstra & Kimm, gave an overview of the City Center Plaza Project. Grant funding will be investigated to help cover costs. Council has no objections to the plan as presented.

E. Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget Discussion

Dennis Bockenstedt, City Administrator, gave an overview of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget. A resolution to set the public hearing for the maximum property tax rate will be on the February 6, 2023, Council Agenda. Council has no objections to the plan as presented.

F. City Council Meeting Schedule for July 2023

Tracy Northcutt, City Clerk, indicated that Independence Day falls on a Tuesday this year and historically, there has been many people unable to attend the meeting close to that holiday and suggested moving the meetings in July from July 3, 2023 and July 17, 2023 to July 10, 2023 and July 24, 2023 respectively. Council has no objections to the plan as presented.

G. Executive Session per IC 21.5 i – City Administrator Evaluation

Moved by Long, seconded by Blair, to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of the City Administrator's evaluation at 7:22. Committee of the Whole reconvened at 7:53 pm. Mayor Gerard stated that no action was taken in the Executive Session.

Adjournment

Moved by Long, seconded by Bloom, to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on voice vote.

Dennis Gerard, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tracy A. Northcutt, City Clerk