

City of LeClaire, Iowa
City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 3, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 325 Wisconsin St, LeClaire, IA

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

Mayor Gerard called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 325 Wisconsin Street. Present: Mayor Dennis Gerard, Council Members Amy Blair, Bill Bloom, Sara Gravert, 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, and Library Director Melita Tunnickliff and City Engineer Leo Foley. Absent: None. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution 23-058

Moved by Long, seconded by Blair, approving the April 3, 2023 Consent Agenda, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-059

Moved by Long, seconded by Bloom, approving all the Council Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2023, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Public Appearances – None

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Gerard read the Proclamation to proclaim Junior Achievement Day on April 6, 2023. Linda Wood, Development Director of Junior Achievement of the Heartland, expressed appreciation to LeClaire for its support and indicated that more than 2,700 students have been involved JA.

Council Reports

Public Hearing – 2023-2024 Budget Adoption

Mayor Gerard called a Public Hearing to order at 6:04 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed 2023-2024 Budget Adoption. Roll call was taken with Council Members Blair, Bloom, Gravert, Long and Salvador present. Absent: None. No written or verbal comments were submitted by the public. Moved by Blair, seconded by Long to close the public hearing at 6:04 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-060

Moved by Blair, seconded by Long, approving and adopting the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-061

Moved by Blair, seconded by Gravert, adopting Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Interfund Transfers, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Public Hearing – 2023 Sidewalk Project-Cost, Schedule & Projects Specs

Mayor Gerard called a Public Hearing to order at 6:05 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed 2023 Sidewalk Project. Roll call was taken with Council Members Blair, Bloom, Gravert, Long and Salvador present. Absent: None. No written or verbal comments were submitted by the public. Moved by Gravert, seconded by Blair to close the public hearing at 6:06 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-062

Moved by Gravert, seconded by Salvador, approving the plans and specification, proposed form of contract and estimate of cost for the construction of 2023 Sidewalk Improvements and authorizing the taking of bids there on, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-063

Moved by Gravert, seconded by Bloom, acknowledging the receipt of the Planning & Zoning Commission’s Recommendation 23-02, recommending the approval of Echols Property Site Development Plan located at 501 North Cody Rd, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Public Hearing – Echols Site Plan Approval-501 North Cody Rd

Mayor Gerard called a Public Hearing to order at 6:08 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed Site Plan approval for 501 North Cody Rd. Roll call was taken with Council Members Blair, Bloom, Gravert, Long and Salvador present. Absent: None. Eric Echols presented an overview of the project. No written or verbal comments were submitted by the public. Moved by Long, seconded by Blair to close the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-064

Moved by Gravert, seconded by Bloom, approving the Echols Site Plan Development at 501 North Cody Road, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-065

Moved by Gravert, seconded by Blair, calling for and establishing a date for the public hearing for amendments to Chapter 100- Sewer Service Charges Ordinance for April 17, 2023, as presented. Dennis Bockenstedt, City Administrator, indicated that this is a budgeted increase as presented during the budget process. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-066

Moved by Gravert, seconded by Long, approving the Change Order 3 in the amount of \$28,040.00 for the Territorial West Bridge Project, as presented. Leo Foley, gave an overview of the change as it was presented in the attachment to the resolution. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-067

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Gravert, preliminarily approving the application for tax exemptions under the LeClaire Urban Revitalization Program from PSE, L.L.C., Eric Echols, located at 501 North Cody Road, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-068

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Long, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a lease agreement with Celebration River Cruises, Inc for use of City Owned Property on the levee, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 23-069

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Blair, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a lease agreement with Scales Mound Packet Company, DBA Twilight River Cruises for use of City Owned Property on the Levee, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Public Hearing – Chapter 77 Golf Cart Amendment

Mayor Gerard called a Public Hearing to order at 6:17 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the Chapter 77 Golf Cart Amendment. Roll call was taken with Council Members Blair, Bloom, Gravert, Long and Salvador present. Absent: None. No written or verbal comments were submitted by the public. Moved by Long, seconded by Bloom to close the public hearing at 6:18 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Ordinance 833 – Golf Cart Amendment- 1st Reading

Moved by Long, seconded by Blair, approving the first reading in title only, amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of LeClaire, Iowa, by amending Chapter 77- Personal Mobility Assistive Devices (Golf Carts) as presented. City Administrator, Bockenstedt gave an overview of amendments. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Adjournment

Moved by Long, seconded by Blair, to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Dennis Gerard, Mayor

Attest:

Tracy A. Northcutt, City Clerk