



City of Stanhope
600 Main Street, P.O. Box 128
Stanhope, Iowa 50246-0128
Telephone: 515.826.3290
Facsimile: 515.826.4290

City Council Proceedings October 10, 2023

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jeff Schroeder, at the Community Center located at 600 Main Street, called the regular meeting of the Stanhope City Council to order at 6:00 P.M. on October 10, 2023. Members answering roll call were: **Vickie Anderson, Terry Painton, Shaunna Zanker, & Beau Jensen**. Members of the public present: Brandi Dilley, Robert Johnson, Jill Haman, Brad Anderson, Dan Ostrem, David Turpen, Roger Anderson, Tim Dally, Mindy Hetland, Paul Hetland, Wes Zanker, Kelly Wirtz, Janet Young and Rick Young. **Clerk Neuberger** acted in the position of Secretary.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Beau Jensen, seconded by Terry Painton, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following: B-1. Approval of the agenda for 10/10/2023, notice of which was published as prescribed by 1-4 .0105 (2) of the Stanhope Code of Ordinances, 2008 on 10/09/2023, B-2. City Council Minutes of 09/13/2023. B-3. Approval of the payment of claims in the amount of \$69,027.75 and B-4. Approval of the financial reports for the period of 09/01/2023 through 09/30/2023. Vickie Anderson-aye, Beau Jensen-aye, Shaunna Zanker-aye and Terry Painton-aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

CAT did the maintenance on the backhoe, a few items on the original quote were not needed so the bill came in less than quoted. The water to the park has been shut off this week. The shelter, bathrooms and concessions stand has been closed for the winter. A high service pump in the water plant needed a new motor due to an electrical short which burnt up the motor. Tim has been spraying in the park & on the streets. He has also been working on the burn pile. Both pumps at the lift station have been repaired. The alarm was still losing cell signal so Dan contacted the phone office and is changing the cell based alarm system to a land line which should resolve the constant beeping.

Motion by Vickie Anderson, seconded by Terry Painton to approve the sale of city equipment that is no longer needed by open bid. Dan will work with Toni to create the posting and items will be sold on an open bid process. Bid will be reviewed at the next regular council meeting. **Roll Call: Shaunna Zaker-aye, Terry Painton-aye, Beau Jensen-aye and Vickie Anderson-aye. Motion carried.**

Motion by Beau Jensen seconded by Terry Painton to approve the quote from Fort Dodge Asphalt to repair 3 areas in town that Dan has chosen as the most needed and to split the cost between 2023-24 and 2024-25. The 3 areas are Bute St (south of Iowa), Intersection of Kepler & Main, and Bute St (south of Iowa). The repairs would be done this year pending weather. If we accept the bids, it is possible that the repairs will not be done until next year but the quote will still be valid. Vickie asked about the manhole area by Jimmy's, Dan said it would be better to use concrete around the manholes and he is planning on getting some quotes next year for the manhole that need repair around town. A budget amendment would be needed due to the cost. Dan will call the sales guy and see if there are options for payments. **Roll Call: Shaunna Zaker-aye, Beau Jensen-aye, Vickie Anderson-aye, and Terry Painton. Motion carried.**

Continued

**City of Stanhope Agenda
Stanhope City Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.**

Stanhope does not currently have a locator to use when locating electric, water & sewer. We currently pay City of Webster City each time a locate is requested by a homeowner (via OneCall). Dan got a quote from Vermeer for a basic locator, \$4900.00. Council decided to table the purchase of the locator and look at it when working on the budget for 2024-25.

Motion by Terry Painton seconded by Vickie Anderson to approve the purchase of a used work truck from George White Chevrolet in Ames. The current Chevy truck is on its last legs. The red Ford needs work but is usable. George White has a used 2022 ¾ ton work truck with 3100 miles. It comes with a 100,000 mile power train warranty and is \$49,900. It does not come with a plow so they will need to purchase that separately. He asked about trading in the red Ford and they only offered \$3000 for the truck and plow. Dan's recommendation is to keep it as an extra truck. The other dealerships he called can put us on the order list but nothing is guaranteed, they do not have anything on hand. **Roll Call: Beau Jensen-aye, Shaunna Zanker-aye, Terry Painton-aye, and Vickie Anderson-aye.**

ATV/GOLF CART FOR PUBLIC WORKS

Terry Painton spoke to council about getting an ATV that has a dump bed and a plow for sidewalks. The city at one time purchased batteries for a golf cart but it was not used. Dan said he will look around and get quotes for a used ATV.

TEAM IOWA SNOWMOBILE ROUTE

Motion by Shaunna Zanker seconded by Beau Jensen to approve snowmobiles in town with the same provisions as last year and the same marked route. **Beau Jensen-aye, Shaunna Zaker-aye, Terry Painton-aye and Vickie Anderson-aye. Motion carried.**

STATE GRANT UPDATE

Jeff addressed council in regards to the grant meeting he attended last week with Enhanced Hamilton County Foundation. The city is looking at grants for multiple things and by attending the meeting they are eligible to apply. Rick Young addressed the council with what is changing with the way grants are scored. The foundation has been awarding grants but rural Iowa is not moving forward. The recommendation of the committee would be to give grants to the areas & communities that are committed to doing extra things for the town. Towns who apply for grants will need to go through a process and show that everyone in the town is together and no feuds (silos). Everyone in town needs to work together and support each other in order to score well enough to be awarded grants to help rural Iowa succeed and grow our town.

400 PARKER STREET

Terry asked council if it would be a good idea to put up some sort of barricade around the building for safety reasons. Beau said there are some broken windows that can maybe be knocked in so the glass does not come off. He said the owners are working on getting grants and trying to keep the building. Questions were raised as to if they had a timeline to get things done when purchased. They purchased the building with no timeline for repairs. At this time no fence or barricade will be put up.

FIRE/EMS MEMBER APPROVAL

Motion by Vickie Anderson seconded by Beau Jensen to approve Wes Zanker as new Fire/EMS member and to pay for 50% of the EMT class. **Beau Jensen-aye, Terry Painton-aye and Vickie Anderson-aye. Shaunna Zanker-abstain Motion carried.**

Continued

**City of Stanhope Agenda
Stanhope City Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.**

NON-AGENDA ITEM #1

Mindy Hetland addressed council requesting snow fence be placed on Ohio and around the bend into Grace. Ever since the house has been removed the road drifts really bad and makes it hard for cars and emergency vehicles to get through sometimes.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Terry Painton, seconded by *Beau Jensen* to adjourn the meeting. Vickie Anderson-aye, Beau Jensen-aye, Terry Painton-aye, and Shaunna Zanker-aye. Motion carried. Time: 6:55 P.M.

ATTESTATION

Toni Neuberger, City Clerk
Jeff Schroeder, Mayor

ATTEST:

Toni Neuberger, City Clerk

Jeff Schroeder, Mayor