

Monday, January 16, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting
Lake View Municipal Building

The Lake View City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 16, 2023 at the Lake View Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Westergaard at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken: Present: Councilors Dale Boeckman, Mike Frank, Tami Moeller, Ken Steinkamp, and Dave Woltman.

Also present: Dean Woltman, Jeff Ross, Chris Jochims, Dave Jennett, Dale Wegner, Gail Eischeid, Allen Koessel, Beth Noethe, Jim & Darlis Jensen, Hannah Walton, Judy Kramer, Eric Haakenson, Jean Huegerich, Lorraine Peterson, John Scott, Russ & Deann Buddin, Mary Ludwig, Renee Stouder, Glenda Gentry, Laurie Westergaard, George Mohrhauser, Dick & Jane Croll, Chris Brotherton, Connie Aasen, Cliff Wendt, Brent Mueggenberg, Jane Alesch, LaJean Olson, Jim Miillenacker, and Jim Wissler. Three people attended via videoconference.

PUBLIC FORUM

Brent Mueggenberg, President of the Lake View Hometown Pride Committee, spoke in favor of the City acknowledging the non-cash contribution from the Boulders Development group for the sale of the Community Center property.

Mary Ludwig, also from Lake View Hometown Pride, also spoke about issuing the acknowledgment to Boulders, noting that the donor, not the recipient, places the value on the gift.

Vickie Toms, attending via videoconference, also suggest that the City Council follow the advice of the City Attorney and issue the acknowledgement of the gift.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Woltman, second by Frank, to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

- a. Approve the tentative agenda.
- b. Approve minutes from December 19th.
- c. Approve bills and authorize payment.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk/Administrator Report.

The City Clerk/Administrator stated that he is meeting with the DNR this week to discuss renewal of the Dock Management Agreement for Crescent Park.

The Utilities Superintendent reviewed proposed work for the upcoming weeks.

FY 2023-24 Budget Requests

Library Board of Trustees: Board President Judy Kramer presented the Library's annual report and budget request. They proposed a budget of \$76,910, an increase of 3.15%.

Lake View Community Club: Chris Brotherton, Community Club President, presented the Club's budget request of \$17,000 to fund community advertising and to fund the community marketing position.

Lake View Housing & Development Authority: Allen Koessel, President, spoke with the Council about LVHDA's efforts to assist with economic development and housing issues. He presented a budget request for \$1,000 to assist with the LVHDA's signage plan.

Park Board: Gail Eischeid spoke on behalf of the Park Board, requesting a budget allocation of \$20,000 to sandblast and paint the splash pad, add one new feature to the splash pad, and to repair the decorative fountain in Speaker Park.

Housing Trust Fund: The City Clerk/Administrator relayed a request from the COG Housing Trust Fund for a budget allocation of \$1,000 to match a large grant used to provide housing assistance for low-to-moderate income persons.

Camp Crescent Christmas Light Display

Hannah Walton spoke with the Council about hosting a drive-through Christmas light display in Camp Crescent. She explained that the proposed holiday displays would be owned and operated by the Lake View Community Club. She asked for permission to use the site, use electricity, and asked that the City provide snow removal. She also requested a \$5,000 contribution. Motion by Woltman, second by Moeller, to approve of this concept and to provide \$5,000 for the drive-through Christmas light display in Camp Crescent. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Lakeshore Drive Project

At 7:40 p.m. Mayor Westergaard opened a public hearing on the Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimate of Costs for the Lakeshore Drive Improvement Project. No or oral written comments were received. Mayor Westergaard closed the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

Project engineer, Terry Crawford, reviewed the proposed project and the bids received.

Motion by Boeckman, second by Steinkamp, to approve **Resolution # 23-05:** "Resolution Adopting Plans, Specifications and Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost." Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Frank, second by Boeckman, to approve **Resolution # 23-06:** "Resolution Making Award of Construction Contract for Lakeshore Drive Improvement Project" including the alternate portion of the project. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Renee Stouder and Glenda Gentry from Mid-Iowa Insurance, reviewed options for potential changes to the City's health insurance policy. Motion by Boeckman, second by Frank, to renew the City's current policy and to add the services of a third-party to administer the City's partial self-funding plan. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Fire Department: Consider Purchase of Equipment Bus

Lake View Fire Chief, Jim Garrels, spoke with the Council about purchasing a new equipment bus. The Council reviewed a proposal from School Bus Sales, Co. to

purchase a 35' Bluebird bus for \$152,823. Motion by Steinkamp, second by Woltman, to proceed with the purchase of the bus. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Water Department: Financial Report

The City Clerk/Administrator led a discussion on the financial status of the water department, options for addressing expenses in the water department, and options for increasing revenues. The Council expressed their preference to address expenses instead of increasing revenues. The City Clerk/Administrator will present options at future Council meetings.

FY 2023-24 Budget

The Council discussed the City's insurance policies and the debt service for the upcoming budget year. The Council reviewed a draft of the Capital Improvements Plan. The Council also reviewed property tax values and estimated revenues. No action was taken. The Council will meet next Monday, January 23rd, for a special Budget meeting.

Closed Session

Motion by Woltman, second by Moeller, to enter Closed Session per Iowa Code §21.5.i. The Council entered closed session at 9:10 p.m.

Motion by Woltman, second by Steinkamp, to re-enter open session. The Council re-entered open session at 9:55 p.m.

Motion by Moeller, second by Steinkamp, that the City sign IRS Form 8283 placing the value of noncash contribution received from Boulders Inn Lake View, LLC at \$390,000. Roll call vote: Ayes: Moeller, Steinkamp, Woltman. Nays: Boeckman, Frank. Motion carried.

Motion by Woltman, second by Boeckman, to adjourn. On vote: all ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

John Westergaard, Mayor

Scott Peterson, City Clerk/Administrator