

## COUNCIL MEETING AVOCA CITY COUNCIL February 6, 2023

Mayor Tom Bruck called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM with Matt Gramkow, Fred Miller III, William Dea, Diane Stamp (Zoom) and Deb Calhoon present. Motion by Miller, seconded by Dea to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

The city's financial advisor has changed his role back to municipal advisor. Motion by Gramkow, seconded by Calhoon to approve RESOLUTION 23-0206-01: ACCEPTING CONTRACT WITH UMB BANK TO PERFORM AS MUNICIPAL ADVISOR. On a roll call: AYES: 5, NAYS: 0.

Council members Stamp and Dea are looking at last year fire and ems calls to calculate if the members are to receive the fringe benefit. Will bring it back at the next regular council meeting.

After a brief discussion on this resolution, council member Dea motioned to approve RESOLUTION 23-0206-03: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AS SET BY THE AVOCA CITY COUNCIL with an amendment to be added to the resolution before signing as follows: item # 2: appointment of City Administrator was not approved and item #4: retain all present employees except the City Administrator, seconded by Gramkow. On a roll call: AYES: 5, NAYS: 0.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Gramkow to approve setting Public Hearing for FY 2024 Max Levy on February 21, 2023 at 5:30 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Iowa DOT is placing the East Branch of the Nishnabotna river bridge south of town under construction and the city owns a parcel next to the bridge that the Iowa DOT needs. Motion by Miller, seconded by Calhoon to approve RESOLUTION 23-0206-04: DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY TO STATE OF IOWA. On a roll call: AYES: 5, NAYS: 0.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Calhoon to give the mayor, Tom Bruck the authority to contract fuel with Agriland FS for the city. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Bruck gave an update that the city has given a notice to Peoples Service for monthly reporting and the Utility Board will be contracting with Gale Kiesel.

Council would like the building inspector job description on the next agenda to review.

Mayor Bruck informed the council that the first interested party wanting to lease the club house has dropped out and Mayor Bruck is now talking with the second interested party.

City Hall placed an advertisement on Facebook for the sound board the city replaced asking for sealed bids. Motion by Calhoon, seconded by Miller to accept the bid of \$155 from Jeff DeBower. Motion carried 5-0.

The council discussed trail ordinance. Mayor Bruck is to inquire with other cities and bring back the findings at the meeting.

Follow up:

- asbestos company has looked at 509 N Walnut and waiting on report
- leaving police vehicle where it is for now
- Officer Heiny has started and is out and about in the community

- Started process on getting signs made for recycling site and yard waste area, also researching type of camera for both sites
- Will wait until fiscal year end to see where the city is sitting financially and decide if we invest any money.

City Clerk went over max levy with council and certification page of the fiscal year 2024 budget. Updated council on the rollback issue that is going on with the state legislation. Asked for input on the numbers in the revenue and expense sheets handed out.

Council comments:

Fred – advertisement of EMT/Groundskeeper/Public works position

Matt – following up on codes

Tom – City administrator job description/adv, city code update, golf cart purchase, police summary on agenda

Motion by Dea, seconded by Miller to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 PM.

ATTEST:

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Teresa M Hoepner, City Clerk