

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, June 24, 2021

4:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Van Otterloo, Council members Granstra, Kooima, Faber and Van't Hul. City Administrator Van Maanen and City Clerk Vande Kamp. Absent: Koldenhoven.

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief Warburton; Rock Valley Bee Reporter Kelly Vander Pol; Jason & LaDawn Groeneweg.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On a motion by Granstra and a second by Kooima to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

The Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recover Fund paperwork was reviewed. Paperwork has been submitted to the State of Iowa.

Council member Kooima introduced Resolution No. 770-21 "*Resolution to Hira Ryan Clarey as a City Utility Worker I*" and made a motion to adopt. Council member Faber seconded the motion. The roll was called and the vote was, AYES: Van't Hul, Faber, Kooima and Granstra. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Koldenhoven. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Council member Kooima introduced Resolution No. 771-21 "*Resolution Approving Employees Salaries and Wages for Fiscal Year 2021-22*" and made a motion to adopt. Council member Granstra seconded the motion. The roll was called and vote was, AYES: Granstra, Kooima, Faber and Van't Hul. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Koldenhoven. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

The City's water supply and current drought conditions were discussed. On a motion by Kooima and a second by Van't Hul to enact mandatory law watering restrictions effective Monday, July 28, 2021. No water on Mondays will be permitted. Even numbered addresses may water on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday before 8:00 p.m. or after 8:00 a.m. Odd numbered addresses may water on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. No watering between 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

The strategic plan update was given with recommendation from Marketing Committee. Jason and LaDawn Groeneweg were present to discuss concern over the marketing committee's recommendation.

On a motion from Van't Hul and a second from Faber to approve a proposal for telemetry upgrades for the new chemical feed building. All ayes, motion carried.

A proposed extension of East Meadow Road was reviewed. A signed agreement from the developer is required before proceeding.

A proposal for bonded rubber mulch in the playground areas were reviewed.

A proposal for payroll services from Time Management Systems was reviewed. No action was taken.

On a motion by Kooima and a second by Granstra to approve a request to hold a wedding at Rivers Bend Campground with the use being restricted to the campground only, required removal of any and all debris and allowing those representing the bridal party to have horses on the public trail and Rivers Bend Campground exempting them from the requirements of Rock Valley City Ordinance 55.15 for the date of October 16, 2021. All ayes, motion carried.

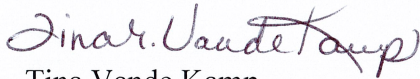
City Administrator Van Maanen provided an update on the FY2019-20 audit.

On a motion by Faber and a second by Kooima to approve the Rock Valley Ambulance Association, Fire Department, Municipal Housing Authority and City bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Granstra and a second by Kooima to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried.



Kevin Van Otterloo
Mayor



Attest: Tina Vande Kamp
City Clerk

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, June 10, 2021

3:30 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Van Otterloo, Council members Koldenhoven, Kooima, Faber and Van't Hul. City Administrator Van Maanen and City Clerk Vande Kamp. Absent: Granstra.

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Winterfeld; Police Chief Warburton; City Foreman Van Ginkel; Economic Development Director Miller; Event Center Coordinator Heemstra; and Brooke Kooima and Josie Faber with the City Marketing Committee.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The Mayor and Council toured the new Daycare Facility.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On a motion by Faber and a second by Kooima to approve the agenda as presented with two additions: 1) Discuss Rivers Bend Campground Cabins; and 2) Resolution Setting Meeting Dates for July and August. All ayes, motion carried.

The Mayor declared this is the time and place for a public hearing on water system Community Development Block Grant application. In accordance with Section 507 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987, Mayor Van Otterloo read the following Citizen Participation Plan statement:

The need for the project was identified by the City of Rock Valley and Iowa DNR, with assistance from project engineer DGR.

The estimated funding for the project will be comprised of \$600,000 in CDBG assistance and approximately \$1,051,000 in local funding anticipated from the State Revolving Fund. The total project costs is estimated to be \$1,651,000. Application for CDBG funding will be submitted to the Iowa Economic Development Authority by July 1, 2021. At least 51% of the CDBG funding will benefit persons of low-to-moderate income. The portion of the CDBG funding that will benefit low-to-moderate income persons will be a maximum of \$306,000.

No persons or businesses will be displaced as a result of the recommended project. In the event that any persons or businesses are actually displaced as a result of the recommended project, the entities involved in the project will adhere to the requirements of the Uniform Relocation and Assistance and Acquisition Act of 1974, as amended.

The city needs to increase the capacity of their well field to support growing population as well as improve water quality and metering technology. One of the existing wells has high levels of ammonia and four of the five wells have elevated levels of nitrates. Currently, the City uses chlorine gas to disinfect its water. However the existing chemical feed arrangements does not effectively provide residual chlorine or provide an operator safe environment. The existing service meters are also dated, which causes inaccuracy and meters require manual reading.

The project will include drilling a new well to provide redundancy and reduce dependence on the existing well with ammonia contamination. New static mixing equipment will be installed and the detention time will be increased after the chlorine dosing to improve water quality and consistency. A new chemical feed building will also be constructed and will provide a safe work environment. Lastly, the service meters will be replaced and be able to provide a new, more efficient and accurate reading than the existing meters provide.

The City Clerk declared no written comments were received. No oral comments were heard. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

Council member Kooima introduced Resolution No. 768-21 entitled, *“Resolution Authorizing Application to the Iowa Community Development Block Grant Program, Designating Official Signators, and Authorizing NWIPDC to Prepare and Administer the Grant for the City of Rock Valley”* and made a motion to adopt. Council member Koldenhoven seconded the motion. The roll was called and vote was, AYES: Koldenhoven, Kooima, Faber and Van’t Hul. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Granstra. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

The marketing committee gave an update on the City’s strategic plan and updating the City’s website.

The revised swimming pool construction estimate was discussed.

The City’s water supply and the current drought conditions were discussed. The well water levels have only slightly fluctuated and the Council did not take action on mandatory restrictions, however they approved a press release calling for voluntary restrictions on lawn watering. Water usage and well conditions will continue to be monitored.

Field observation reports for the Rock Ridge Road Paving project were reviewed.

On a motion by Koldenhoven and a second by Kooima to approve pay request #7 for the Rock Ridge Road Paving Improvement project in the amount of \$149,018.66. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Faber and a second by Van’t Hul to approve pay request #2 for the 17th Street & Sports Complex project in the amount of \$65,385.00. All ayes, motion carried.

Council member Van’t Hul introduced Ordinance No. 505-21 entitled, *“Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances by Amending Provision Pertaining to Special 25 MPH Speed Zones on Certain Street and Avenues (Discovery Drive) in Rock Valley, Iowa”* and made a motion to adopt and waive the three readings. Council member Koldenhoven seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Council member Van’t Hul introduced Ordinance No. 506-21 entitled, *“Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances by Amending Provision Pertaining to Special 25 MPH Speed Zones on Certain Street and Avenues (Rock Ridge Drive) in Rock Valley, Iowa”* and made a motion to adopt and waive the three readings. Council member Koldenhoven seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Council member Van’t Hul introduced Ordinance No. 507-21 entitled, *“Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances by Adding a New Sub-Paragraph Providing for a Stop Sign on Discovery Drive and Rock*

Ridge Road” and made a motion to adopt and waive the three readings. Council member Koldenhoven seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

The resignation of a Jenna Heemstra as the Event Center Coordinator was reviewed and accepted.

An update on the river bypass permitting application was discussed.

A Notice to Remove a Dangerous Animal was discussed.

A meeting with local dentists regarding removing fluoride from the City’s water supply was discussed. No action was taken.

A summary of the Junk Day program was reviewed.

An article on rental property inspections was discussed.

On a motion by Kooima and a second by Koldenhoven to approve the part-time library employees. All ayes, motion carried.

An inspection of the wastewater treatment plant by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources was reviewed. The inspection went very well.

An update on the FY2019-20 audit was discussed.

The Police Department’s monthly activity report was reviewed.

On a motion by Kooima and a second by Koldenhoven to approve the April council meeting minutes. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Kooima and a second by Koldenhoven to approve the Rock Valley Ambulance Association, Fire Department, Municipal Housing and City bills were approved as presented with one exception for a fire department reimbursement request to be paid out of the Fire Department’s account. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Faber and a second by Kooima to approve dirt work for the cabin area in an amount not to exceed \$8,000. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Koldenhoven and a second by Faber to approve a request for the City to assist in the demolition removal cost for a property in an amount not to exceed \$5,000. All ayes, motion carried.

Council member Koldenhoven introduced Resolution No. 769-21 entitled, “*Resolution of the City Council of the Incorporated City of Rock Valley, Iowa, Fixing Regular Meetings of the City Council of Rock Valley, Iowa*” and made a motion to adopt. Council member Van’t Hul seconded the motion. The roll was called and vote was, AYES: Van’t Hul, Faber, Kooima and Koldenhoven. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Granstra. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

On a motion by Van’t Hul and a second by Faber to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Van Otterloo', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Kevin Van Otterloo
Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tina Vande Kamp', written in a cursive style.

Tina Vande Kamp
City Clerk