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CITY COUNCIL

Regular Council Meeting
June 16, 2025, 6:00 P.M.
Community Media Center

Mayor Wayne Peach called the meeting to order. Council present were: Scott Brighton, Candy Langerman, Mary Phelan, Jake Ellwood and Dave Goedken, in person and Josh Brenneman, joined electronically. Also present were City Administrator Russell Farnum, City Clerk Sally Hinrichsen, Water/Wastewater Supt. Jim Tjaden, Park & Rec Director Jacob Oswald, Public Works Director Nick Kahler, Library Director Faith Brehm and City Engineer Patrick Schwickerath. The public was invited to attend the meeting in person, or to participate in the meeting electronically via "Zoom Meetings" or "Facebook" and were encouraged to communicate from the chat or message.

Ellwood moved to approve the agenda, Phelan seconded, roll call was unanimous.

Bud Coyle, 515 North Sycamore, inquired what the status of the Sixth Street ditch project was. Schwickerath advised the plans and permitting are on hold until the easements are all signed and returned. Farnum advised the easements are ready and working to contact the property owner to get the signatures, with all the other projects.

Langerman moved to approve the consent agenda; Phelan seconded. Roll call was unanimous.

Mayor opened Public Hearing on the proposed Development Agreement with Roger Stephen. No public comments were received. Mayor closed the hearing.

Farnum reported working with Schwickerath and Roger Stephen and his engineers on the plans for the sewer extension. The proposed sewer main trunk is designed to service 104 acres of Roger Stephen property and 154 acres on the west side of Main Street. They are looking at options to lower the costs, such as not taking trunk line across Main Street at this time, option of not installing at the proposed depth and routes. If the routes are changed now, the plans would need to be re-engineered and new permits from the DNR. Schwickerath advised the depth of the sewer trunk is to allow accessibility to properties on the West side of Main Street without a lift station. Goedken suggested putting main in less deep and then connecting laterals from the manholes to the lots. Schwickerath stated it is not any further to install the main less deep, but it would need to be determined who owns the laterals from the manholes. Farnum stated this project was setup similar to Northridge, where City would reimburse the developer

after the work was completed, and Farnum was working based upon Council direction to do so. Goedken moved to approve Resolution #2025-80 Approving Development Agreement between City of Monticello and Roger Stephen Related to the Development of Brad Stephen Addition and the Extension of Sanitary Sewer and other public infrastructure. Langerman seconded. Ellwood commented prior to his vote that more work needs to be done but wants to keep the project moving forward. Roll call was all ayes except Goedken and Phelan. Carried.

Brighton moved to approve Resolution #2025-81 setting the date for public hearing on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Corporate Purpose Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder, Langerman seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Public Hearing will be July 7th at 6:00 PM. Brenneman lost connection with meeting.

Brighton moved to approve Resolution #2025-82 Approving Change Order #4 in the increased amount of \$23,025.82 as submitted by Bill Bruce Builders related to the Monticello Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, Langerman seconded. Roll call was unanimous.

Ellwood moved to approve Resolution #2025-83 Approving Pay Request #13 to Bill Bruce Builders, Inc., Re: Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project in the amount of \$818,191.31, Brighton seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Brenneman rejoined the meeting.

Langerman moved to approve Resolution #2025-84 Approving the Final Development Agreement between City of Monticello and Kwik Trip Inc. Related to the Development of a Kwik Star Convenience Store, Gas Station and Truck Stop, Phelan seconded. Roll call was unanimous.

Phelan stated Adult Recreation and Special Events Coordinator Kara Burrack is doing a great job. However, only 50% of the costs for her position has been absorbed from the income. Phelan would like to see more data for more months, and would like to see revenues more at 80%. Brighton stated he was not comfortable with her being the only employee that has to provide her worth. He questioned who else has to bring in revenue to pay their wages? Ellwood stated Burrack does a great job, look what she has done in 4½ months and there are things you can't quantify, like volunteering in the community. Brighton moved to approve Resolution #2025-85 Approving the continued employment of the Monticello Park and Recreation part-time Adult Recreation and Special

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Application forms are available at www.jonescountyiowa.org (Employment tab), or can be picked up at the Sheriff's Office during business hours. Application deadline is July 14th, 2025, at 4:30 PM. With your application, please include a cover letter and resume. Your application packet can be dropped off at the Jones County Sheriff's Office 500 W. Main St. Anamosa, IA 52205. Mailed to P.O. Box 167 Anamosa, IA 52205 or emailed to greg.graver@jonescountyiowa.gov.

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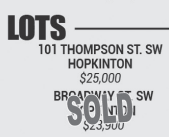
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