

West Liberty City Council Meeting Minutes 01-03-2023

Meetings will be recorded

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Ethan Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on January 03, 2023, with roll call. City Council present: Dana Dominguez, Cara McFerren, Ashley Smith, and Josh Shiltz. City Staff present: Dave Haugland, City Manager, Lee Geertz, City Clerk, Allie Paarsmith, Library Director, Ed Tvrs, Electric Superintendent, Adam Reinhardt, Street Superintendent, and Brittany Woodson, Communication/Staff Account Clerk.

City Council approved the agenda for 1-03-2023: Dominguez/Shiltz 4-0

City Council approved the Consent Agenda: McFerren/Shiltz 4-0

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City Council by roll call vote opened the Public Hearing amending Title 10, Chapter 5 A-1 Agriculture District: McFerren/Dominguez: Yes-Dominguez, McFerren, Smith and Shiltz No: 0 passed 4-0.

No public correspondence or public presentation on behalf of the amendment presented.

City Council by roll call vote closed the Public Hearing amending Title 10, Chapter 5 A-1 Agriculture District: McFerren/Dominguez: Yes-Dominguez, McFerren, Smith, and Shiltz No: 0 passed 4-0.

City Council approved the first reading of Ordinance 20230103-01 amending Title 10, Chapter 5 A-1 Agriculture District, Section 10-5-1 “Permitted Principal Uses and Structures” and Section 10-5-9 “Permitted Signs”: Shiltz/McFerren: Yes-Shiltz, Smith, McFerren, and Dominguez No: 0 First Reading approved 4-0.

City Council approved Vendor Voucher Claims List #1 in the amount of \$ 176,517.48: McFerren/Shiltz 4-0. Discussion, Council Member Dominguez had question for Stanley, Lande and Hunter billing. Billing covered long period from July to October 2022. No other questions.

No comments or correspondence from public or zoom attendees.

Mayor and/or City Council comments or correspondence:

Dominguez communicated she received an invite to the annual Chamber Dinner Event. City Manager Haugland communicated he will be attending along with others City leaders. Dominguez also reported she had received email spam and communicated to please be aware of the spam as even with our security in place, some items still get through.

Clerk Geertz reported correspondence from Mike Price pertaining to parking nuisance in the downtown area. This property has been reviewed and Sargent Bierman will assist with getting parking enforcement for the area in compliance with City Code.

Old Business:

City Council approved Flama’s Nightclub, LLC request to renew liquor license through 01/30/2024: McFerren/Dominguez: 4-0

Discussion Chief Werling and Mayor Pro Tem McFerren communicated they held a meeting with the owners of Flama’s Nightclub, LLC to address concerns and identify some public safety steps in need of implementing. Flama’s owners are receptive and will make efforts to comply with the suggestions.

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City Council approved by roll call vote, Resolution 20230103-01 A Resolution approving Rainbow Dr and Maxson Ave Roadway Improvement Project Contract with All American Concrete, Inc for the bid amount \$1,477,929.50: Dominguez/McFerren: Yes-Shiltz, Smith, McFerren, and Dominguez No-0: 4-0.

City Council approved by roll call vote, Resolution 20230103-02 A Resolution approving Pay Estimate #8 for the Police and City Hall Building Improvement Project to S.G. Construction Co for Final Payment in the Amount of \$1,500.00: Dominguez/McFerren: Yes- Dominguez, McFerren, Smith and Shiltz No: 0: 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Ethan Anderson presented a proclamation to recognize Human Trafficking during the month of January. City Staff will post the proclamation on the City Website.

City Council approved setting a date for the Public Hearing Budget Amendment #2 for Fiscal Year 2023 on January 17, 2023, at 7:30pm: Dominguez/Shiltz 4-0.

City Council approved setting the date for City Council Work Session on January 17, 2023, to review Property Tax Levy and IMWCA Work Comp Claims review at 6:00pm: Dominguez/Shiltz 4-0.

City Council approved setting the date for a Public Hearing to Certify the Property Tax Levy on February 7, 2023, at 7:30pm during regular city council meeting: McFerren/Dominguez 4-0.

City Engineer Leo Foley reported he will continue working the drainage study along with sidewalk discussion for Rainbow and Maxson project.

Electric Superintendent Ed Tvrs answered questions from McFerren with regards to his report. Solar is a contracted company who performs maintenance and inspections for the City's turbines. BHMG tested air quality per requirements of the EPA. Chief Werling provided information from meeting with the school with regards to a resource officer. City Manager Haugland communicated he attended some training with ISU on transportation. Brittany Woodson provided a calendar for schedules and updates for the communication duties for the city. She will work to improve the Twitter and Linkin resources to connect with other demographic and business entities. Along with this work she will plan on more educational material. Clerk Geertz recognized the good work the street crews for the snow removal. Chief Werling thanked Big Imprint for the quick response to assist on putting information on the website with RAVE for snow ordinance announcements. Brittany closed with the discussion with providing a City Calendar has been updated on the website. This will include trash routes with all schedule changes for the rest of the year.

Mayor Ethan Anderson called for motion to adjourn meeting: 8:27pm: Smith/Dominguez 4-0

Ethan Anderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lee Geertz, City Clerk