
NEVADA CITY COUNCIL - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Nevada, Iowa, met for a meeting in the Council Chambers of Nevada City Hall located at 1209 6th Street, Nevada, Iowa. Mayor Brett Barker, convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 14, 2020, pursuant to the rules of the Council. The agenda was posted on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open meeting law. Due to COVID-19 the meeting was also available via Zoom:

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2. ROLL CALL

The roll was called indicating the following named Council Members present and absent. Present: Brian Hanson, Jason Sampson, Dane Nealson, Sandy Ehrig, Luke Spence, Barb Mittman. Absent: None.

Staff Present: Erin Clanton, Jordan Cook, Kerin Wright, Ric Martinez, Larry Stevens, Shawn Cole, Shanna Speer, Ray Reynolds and Marlys Barker.

Also in attendance were: Karen Selby, Henry Corbin and Al Kockler.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Brian Hanson, seconded by Dane Nealson, to **approve the agenda**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Hanson, Nealson, Sampson, Spence, Ehrig, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

4. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

A. Public Hearing, Designation of Expanded Nevada Urban Renewal Area and Amendment

At 6:02 p.m. Mayor Barker announced that this is the time and place set for a **public hearing** as advertised in the Nevada Journal on **August 27, 2020**. The public hearing is on the **Proposed Amendment to the Nevada Urban Renewal Area**.

There were **no written or oral objections** to the aforementioned recommendation. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:02 p.m.

B. Resolution No. 021 (2020/2021): A Resolution to Declare Necessity and Establish an Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and to Approve an Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the Nevada Urban Renewal Area

Motion by Jason Sampson, seconded by Dane Nealson, to **adopt Resolution No. 021 (2020/2021)**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Sampson, Nealson, Spence, Ehrig, Hanson, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- C. Ordinance No. 1013 (2020/2021): An Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the September, 2020 Addition to the Nevada Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa

Motion by Sandy Ehrig, seconded by Barb Mittman, to **approve Ordinance No. 1013 (2020/2021), first reading.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Ehrig, Mittman, Nealson, Sampson, Spence, Hanson. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

5. Approval of CONSENT AGENDA (Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed for separate consideration.)

Motion by Luke Spence, seconded by Jason Sampson, to **approve the following consent agenda items:**

- A. Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 24, 2020
- B. Approve Minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 28, 2020
- C. Approve Payment of Cash Disbursements, including Check Numbers 74306-74388 and Electronic Numbers 826-832 (Inclusive) Totaling \$294,194.60 (See attached list)
- D. Approve Tax Abatement:
Permit #BP2019-0139, 2014 Jashalita (Single Family Unattached)

After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Spence, Sampson, Ehrig, Hanson, Mittman, Nealson. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

6. PUBLIC FORUM

- A. Main Street Nevada Director, Henry Corbin, updated the Council on their efforts considering signage for the community. They are looking at District and Wayfinding signage and possible billboards as well. Mayor Barker advised the Community Betterment committee is also looking at signage.
- B. Mayor Barker presented Dave Deyoe the 2020 Iowa League of Cities Legislative Service Award.
- C. Mayor Barker presented the Proclamation for National Direct Support Professional Recognition Week, September 13
- D. Mayor Barker presented the Proclamation for Constitution Week, September 17th – 23rd.
- E. Mayor Barker presented the Proclamation for National Clean Energy Month for October.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Approve Pay Request No. 6 for the Central Business District Infrastructure Project from Con-Struct, Inc. in the amount of \$798,108.30

Motion by Dane Nealson, seconded by Jason Sampson, to **approve Pay Request No. 6 for the Central Business District Infrastructure Project from Con-Struct, Inc., in the amount of \$798,108.30.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Nealson, Sampson, Spence, Ehrig, Hanson, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. Opening Up City Facilities

Motion by Dane Nealson, seconded by Jason Sampson, to **approve the opening of City Hall from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Nealson, Sampson. Nay: Spence, Ehrig, Hanson, Mittman. The Mayor declared the motion failed.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution No. 022 (2020/2021): A Resolution to Approve, Preliminary Plat, Construction Drawings and for 6th Street Industrial Park, 1st Addition, Nevada, IA

Motion by Luke Spence, seconded by Brian Hanson, to **Adopt Resolution No. 022 (2020/2021).** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Spence, Hanson, Mittman, Nealson, Sampson, Ehrig. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- B. Resolution No. 020 (2020/2021): A Resolution approving Public Storm Sewer Easement on 616 J Avenue in Nevada, Iowa

Motion by Barb Mittman, seconded by Sandy Ehrig, to **Adopt Resolution No. 020 (2020/2021).** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Mittman, Ehrig, Hanson, Nealson, Sampson, Spence. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- C. Resolution No. 023 (2020/2021): A Resolution to provide for a notice of hearing on proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the Nevada Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements – Phase 1 Project, and the taking of bids therefor

Motion by Brian Hanson, seconded by Luke Spence, to **Adopt Resolution No. 023 (2020/2021).** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Hanson, Spence, Ehrig, Mittman, Nealson, Sampson. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- D. Resolution No. 024 (2020/2021): A Resolution approving Spyglass Agreement to Provide Audit of Telecommunications Services Accounts

Motion by Sandy Ehrig, seconded by Luke Spence, to **Adopt Resolution No. 024 (2020/2021).** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Ehrig, Spence, Hanson, Mittman, Nealson, Sampson. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

10. REPORTS:

City Administrator Cook thanked Director of Fire/EMS Reynolds for organizing the 911 Verbio Climb. He reported the Austin Peters Group has started their study.

Mayor Barker reported on the Healthy Hometown initiative. He also attended the opening conference with the State Auditor.

Director of Fire/EMS Reynolds thanked City Administrator Cook and Public Safety Director Martinez for their support in the 911 Verbio Climb.

Planning and Zoning Supervisor Cole updated the council on the downtown project.

Public Safety Director Martinez thanked Reynolds and Cook for their purchase of hot dogs for those making the 911 Verbio Climb. The Nevada Community School Homecoming parade is scheduled for Tuesday. It is hoped they can proceed down 6th Street as in the past. Martinez also advised Council a staff members child has been diagnosed with COVID-19. The officer is back at work with masks and temperature checks per CDC guidelines.

City Clerk Wright noted the State COVID-19 Reimbursement application was submitted today. She advised two policies are in need of updating to finish the FEMA application. The FY22 Budget process will begin this month. The State Auditors are still working this week.

Library Director Speer reported staff has been working with the school to see how the library might assist them and when story times might work.

City Engineer Stevens reported they have been working on three subdivisions. He updated council on the downtown project. The Wastewater Treatment Facility Plans-Phase 1 are almost complete. The first hurdle for CUP for the WWTF has been met and on Wednesday the Story County BOA will review and make final decision. There was only one objection from a land owner across the creek that might someday develop the area. The first phase of the project is just the dirt work.

Council Member Ehrig updated the Council on the Rural Housing Application. Council Member Neelson reported the Run Country Fest & 5K on October 4th has been moved to Billy Sunday Field and will utilize the trails for the race.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, motion by Dane Neelson, seconded by Sandy Ehrig, to **adjourn the meeting**. Following voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried at 7:05 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Brett Barker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kerin Wright, City Clerk

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