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De Soto City Council

March 20, 2018 Meeting

CITY OF DESOTO – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES & NOTES FROM CITY HALL

March 20, 2018 – Mayor Butch Ostrander called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Answering roll call was: Pam Bach, Russell Baker, Terri Golightly, Karen Wilson; Kelly Summy arrived @7:11pm.

Staff present included City Clerk Marcia Thomas, Public Works Director Dan Van Langen, Police Chief John Sparling, Library Director Brianna Glenn and City Attorney DuWayne Dalen.

Motion by Wilson/Baker to approve the agenda; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Bach/Wilson to approve the consent agenda; Councilwoman Golightly requested that the claims listing be pulled from the consent agenda; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 4-0; Councilwoman Golightly reminded department heads to turn in their receipts to City Clerk Thomas so claims can be paid on time. Motion by Bach/Golightly to approve the claims listing; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Ostrander opened the Public Hearing for the City of De Soto to vacate the alley directly south of the Holiday Terrace Mobile Home Park @ 8:06pm. Clerk Thomas said she had not received any written correspondence or phone calls regarding the city vacating the alley. De Soto resident Mitch Crozier asked who would be receiving the additional property and City Attorney Dalen said the Holiday Terrace Mobile Home Park. With no other questions from the audience Mayor Ostrander closed the public hearing @ 8:07pm.

Mayor Ostrander opened the Public Hearing to consider the submission of an application for a Community Development Block Grant for the new water treatment plant project @8:08pm. Mayor Ostrander read Public Hearing Announcements for the CDBG grant application; the proposed water systems improvement project is the result of the need for extensive improvements to the existing water treatment plant, installation of a new well, and a connection to rural water for a backup water supply. The project will be funded with a combination of CDBG funds and SRF loan funds. Total project costs are estimated to be \$3,543,970. The grant application will be submitted to the Iowa Economic Development Authority no later than April 1, 2018. The City is requesting \$500,000 in CDBG funds for the proposed project. The project will result in City-wide benefit and based on the recent survey, 62.82% of the residents living in the community are of low-and-moderate income. Construction of the proposed activities will take place at several locations. The water treatment plant will take place at the existing site of the water treatment plant. The new well and rural water connection will take place at sites selected outside of the city limits. The proposed project will not result in the displacement or relocation of any persons or businesses. Since this project will not result in the displacement or relocation of any persons or businesses, there are no plans being made to assist displaced persons. The nature of the proposed project involves extensive improvements to the water treatment plant, installation of a new well, and a connection to rural water to provide the City with a backup water supply. Clerk Thomas said she had received no written correspondence or phone calls regarding the submission of an application for a Community Development Block Grant for the new water treatment plant project. With no questions from the audience Mayor Ostrander closed the public hearing @ 8:12pm.

Motion by Summy/Golightly to approve Resolution 2018-13; A Resolution approving vacation of alley to B & C Property, Inc.; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Golightly to approve the first reading of Ordinance #322; An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of De Soto, Iowa, 2009, by adding a new section 35.16 to Chapter 35 relating to billing for services by the Fire Department; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0. City Attorney Dalen will add additional information to the ordinance for the second reading.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve the first reading of Ordinance #323; An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of De Soto, Iowa, 2009, by adding section 63.04 (2) (B) setting special 25 MPH speed zone for Ellefson Drive; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Bach/Baker to approve pay request #6 from Building Crafts for \$273,600.00 for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Project; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Bach to approve change order #2 for the WWTP project; changing the MBBR pump VFD's from 3 HP to 7.5 HP, cost \$5,425.00; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve Jetco Electric Inc. annual service contract, cost \$2,813.00 for the WTP and WWTP; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve Lillie Plumbing, Heating & Electric, Inc. not to exceed \$7,000.00 for electrical and plumbing for the city park project; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Summy to approve PoliceOne Academy option #2 training, cost \$778.00 with a starting date of July 1, 2018; Bach, Baker, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve hiring Darold Baker for the part-time seasonal employee for the Public Works department, hourly wage of \$11.00; Bach, Golightly, Summy and Wilson in favor; Baker abstained; Motion carried 4-0.

Alex Kading has purchased property in De Soto and discussed with Mayor Ostrander and City Council terms for a Private Development, Tif Rebate Agreement. No action taken.

Christopher Janson with MSA Professional Services discussed with Mayor Ostrander and City Council updates to the city subdivision, site plan and zoning ordinances. The updates will be finalized and sent to City Attorney Dalen to prepare the first reading of new ordinances for the April 17th council meeting.

Mayor Ostrander and City Council discussed the city owned property by Casey's General Store. The Council instructed Public Works Director Van Langen to have the lot south of Casey's surveyed. The city will then market this property and keep the remaining land behind Casey's for future city growth.

You will notice new benches and flower planters at the city park. Former De Soto resident Cindy Hampton and her daughters set up a memorial fund instead of flowers at the time of Ed Hampton's death for the De Soto 150th celebration. They proudly gave the city \$1,000.00 to be used for beautifying the city park. Cindy said the park has always been a great place to go and watch your kids, meet with friends and relatives or just read and enjoy the day. Thank you Cindy, Jennifer, Nicole and Jackie for your thoughtful gift.

Discussion took place updating the employee handbook. No action taken.

Having no other business Mayor Ostrander asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Wilson/Summy to adjourn @10:36 pm; Bach, Golightly, Sanders, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor: Butch Ostrander

Attest: City Clerk, Marcia Thomas

These minutes are subject to approval by the City Council at its next regular meeting.