

CITY OF DESOTO – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 15, 2018 – Mayor Butch Ostrander called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Answering roll call was: Pam Bach, Terri Golightly and Karen Wilson; Absent: Kelly Summy; Resigned: Russell Baker.

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

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve the agenda; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve the consent agenda; Councilwoman Golightly asked that the claims be removed from the consent agenda; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor Ostrander opened the public hearing for the City Budget Amendment #1 and certification Resolution for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 @7:35p.m. Mayor Ostrander asked City Clerk Thomas if she received any written correspondence or phone calls regarding the budget amendment. Clerk Thomas said De Soto resident Carol Lee asked her why she is doing a budget amendment in May and not June. The city has claims to be paid in May for the city celebration which were not budgeted for and this would put the Culture and Recreation Program over budget without the amendment. With no further questions from the audience Mayor Ostrander closed the public hearing @ 7:38p.m.

Motion by Wilson/Golightly to approve the appointment of Brenda Sage for a De Soto Public Library Trustee; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve Resolution 2018-14; A Resolution approving city budget amendment #1 and certification resolution for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Wilson/Golightly to approve Resolution 2018-16; A Resolution recognizing the City of De Soto Betterment Committee and Sesquicentennial Celebration; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

No action taken on item #4.

Motion by Wilson/Golightly to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 324; An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of De Soto, Iowa, 2009, by changing Chapter 92.02 rates for water service; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0. There will be no increase in water rates in July.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve the first reading of Ordinance #325; An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of De Soto, Iowa, 2009, by changing Chapter 99.02, rates for sewer service; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0. There will be no increase in sewer rates in July.

Motion by Wilson/Golightly to approve the first reading of Ordinance #326; An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of De Soto, Iowa, 2009, by changing Chapter 106.08(1), collection fee for disposal of solid waste; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0. There will be no increase in solid waste or recycling rates in July.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve pay request #8 for the WWTP Construction Project for \$ 353,121.65 to Building Crafts, Inc.; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Bach/Golightly to approve the purchase of additional park equipment from Plastic Recycling of Iowa Falls, Inc.; including (6) 32 gal trash receptacles, 2 trash dome lids, 6 trash mount brackets and 1 ADA 8' picnic table, totaling \$2,188.00; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0. The city will receive a \$2,000 reimbursement from the Build with Bags Grant Program.

Motion by Wilson/Golightly to approve Martens & Company, CPA,LLP, perform the annual examination pursuant to Chapter 11.6 of the Iowa Code for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve the May, 2018 City of De Soto Employee Handbook per the suggested changes Councilwoman Bach reviewed with council; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor Ostrander and City Council heard an appeal from a De Soto resident regarding a vicious dog letter given by De Soto Police Chief Sparling. The dog is normally in the house but escaped when the daughter was taking the garbage out. A neighbor close by has chickens that were at the time running loose in their yard and the dog and chickens collided, killing one chicken and injuring another. Discussion took place. The City Council voted 3-0 to reverse the order given by Police Chief Sparling that deemed the dog a vicious animal.

Councilwoman Golightly had a question on the Crossroads Ag claim of \$900.00. Public Works Director Van Langen said he purchased grass seed for over seeding the park and cemetery, which they do every year. Motion by Bach/Golightly to approve the claims listing; Motion carried 3-0.

Having no other business Mayor Ostrander asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Bach/Wilson to adjourn @8:50 pm; Bach, Golightly, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor: Butch Ostrander

Attest: City Clerk, Marcia Thomas

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