

CITY OF DESOTO – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 19, 2020 – Mayor Butch Ostrander called the meeting to order at 7:05pm; The City of De Soto met via an electronic meeting due to Iowa Governor Kim Reynold’s Proclamation of Disaster Emergency, which among other matters, ordered the prohibition of community gatherings of ten or more people at all locations. Therefore, in-person meetings of the City Council are impossible or impractical as contemplated by Iowa Code Section 21.4(1) (b).

Answering roll call was: Ted Hansen and Terri Golightly (Golightly arrived @ 7:08pm); Council members on the call/Zoom meeting were Pam Bach, Kelly Summy and Karen Wilson.

Staff present included City Clerk Marcia Thomas, Police Chief John Sparling, Public Works Director Dan Van Langen and Fire Chief John Booth.

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

Motion by Wilson/Hansen to approve the consent agenda; Bach, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Waste Management prepared yard waste collection pricing using a 40 yard roll off box at a centralized location where residents can drop their yard waste or having residents place their yard waste curbside for collection every other week; Collection would occur April – November; The additional cost to residents if the city chose the curbside collection would be \$4.00/monthly; Discussion took place; No action taken.

Motion by Hansen/Wilson to approve the bid from Des Moines Steel Fence of \$9,640.00 for a 6” tall privacy slats fence around the water tower on Spruce Street; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/Golightly to approve the bid from Waukee Power Equipment of \$10,830.00 for a 38 horse power EXM mower; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Golightly/Wilson to approve the bid from Feld Fire of \$19,444.00 for the fire department to purchase a Amkus spreader and cutter (jaws set); Fire Chief Booth said the current equipment would not cut through the steel in a vehicle now; Booth also said the fire department received a \$2,500.00 grant from the Bock Family Foundation towards the purchase and he was in discussion with the Fire Department Non-Profit to contribute 10% of the cost; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Golightly to approve the invoice from Professional Rescue Innovations of \$565.00 for the purchase of 6 rescue helmets and 6 water vests and a water sling; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Golightly/Bach to approve the fire department purchase a new lightbar from Covertlights for \$2,259.99; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/Bach to approve Councilwoman Wilson apply for a Healthy Hometown Grant for a landscaped gateway to De Soto and a park master plan; the grant is a 2-1 matching funds grant; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Council has been discussing updating the city website and asked Councilwoman Golightly to contact 2 or 3 companies. Councilwomen Golightly and Bach will plan to meet sometime in June with the current website administrator as well as the new companies.

Councilwoman Wilson told Mayor Ostrander and City Council that the Wellmark Foundation Board of Directors awarded the City of De Soto a \$50,000.00 matching grant for the proposed De Soto Sidewalk Project – Phase 1. Councilwoman Wilson will contact 2 or 3 engineering firms to get bids on the project which is proposed for new sidewalks from the school to Hwy 169 and down the west side of Adair Street.

Having no other business Mayor Ostrander asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Wilson/Golightly to adjourn @9:00 p.m.; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, 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.