

CITY OF DESOTO – SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2020 – Mayor Butch Ostrander called the meeting to order at 7:00pm; 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; Council members on the call/Zoom meeting were Pam Bach, Terri Golightly, Karen Wilson; Councilman Summy connected @7:03p.m.

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

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

Mayor Ostrander opened the Public Hearing on the proposed drawings, specifications, proposed form of contract, and engineer’s probable cost for construction of groundwater well no. 5 for the De Soto Water Treatment Plant Project @ 7:02p.m. Clerk Thomas said she had not received any written correspondence regarding the public hearing but did receive a phone call from De Soto resident Carol Lee. Thomas said she emailed Lee the same information for the public hearing that the city council received in their packets. Lee questioned engineer Mikael Brown that the advertisement for bids states the expected duration of the project is 365 days. Brown clarified the total project for the water treatment plant is expected to take approximately a year for construction not just the new well being drilled. Lee asked if the city would be connecting to Xenia Rural Water when the new well is being drilled. Engineer Brown said the Xenia Emergency Connection can be used when the city is transitioning from the old water treatment plant to the new plant. Councilwoman Golightly asked Brown if in the Bid documents there was a penalty provision if the Groundwater Well No. 5 project was not completed on time and Brown said yes there was. Councilwoman Wilson asked how many contractors are expected to bid on the project and Brown said he expects 6. Councilwoman Golightly said in the bid document the total bid price is expected to be approximately \$225,000 for the new well project and Engineer Brown said that is correct. With no further questions Mayor Ostrander closed the public hearing @ 7:22p.m.

Motion by Hansen/Wilson to approve proposed drawings, specifications, proposed form of contract, and engineer’s probable cost for construction of Groundwater Well no. 5 for the water treatment plant; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve Carrick Concrete bid of \$5,560.00 for the sidewalk replacement and 2 foot retaining wall @ the old water tower; Spruce Street; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Having no other business Mayor Ostrander asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Hansen/Summy to adjourn @7:35pm; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy and Wilson all 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.