

CITY OF DESOTO – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 18, 2023 – Mayor Mitch Crozier called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Answering roll call was: Erin Blume, Ted Hansen, Mark O’Leary, Josh Minton and Dustin Padget.

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

Motion by Padget/O’Leary to approve the agenda; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Padget/O’Leary to approve the consent agenda; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by O’Leary/Minton to approve new De Soto resident, Cynthia Thayer, property @1032 Linden Street, keep her 8 dogs for a one year trial basis, under these conditions; she puts up a 6 foot privacy fence; 4 of the dogs are over 10 years old and as any dog passes on she cannot replace them until only 3 dogs remain; when the dogs are outside, Cynthia or another adult will be with them; if in that one year time frame the city does not receive multiple complaints from neighboring residents then Cynthia will be in good standing with the city and the trial basis is over; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/Padget to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 362; An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of De Soto, Iowa, 2009, by rezoning LeMar Koethe property located in the SE ¼ of section 19 and NE ¼ of section 30, Township 78 North, Range 27 West of the 5th PM from A-1 Agriculture to M-1 Light Industrial District; Mayor Crozier asked for a roll call vote; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by O’Leary/Minton to approve Resolution 2023-18; A Resolution setting compensation for Public Works Employee Nick Eckstein; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/O’Leary to approve Martens & Company, CPA, LLP engagement procedures and letter for city audit scheduled for August 4, 2023; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by O’Leary/Padget to approve estimate of \$1,190.00 from Xtreme Tree to remove dead tree in city right-of-way; property located 217 Maple Street; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by O’Leary/Padget to approve estimate of \$1,825.00 from Xtreme Tree to remove dead tree in city right-of-way; property located 500 Adair Street; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/O’Leary to approve abatement proceedings on property located @ 120 Elm Street; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/Padget to approve City Council’s intent to appoint a person to fill a vacant council office at it’s regular city council meeting, August 15, 2023 @7:00p.m.; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Having no other business Mayor Crozier asked for a motion to adjourn; Motion by O’Leary/Minton to adjourn @8:20p.m.; Blume, Hansen, O’Leary, Minton, Padget in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor: Mitch Crozier

Attest: City Clerk, Marcia Thomas

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