



City Council
December 14, 2021
Regular Session

Call to order

Mayor Terry Donahue called the December 14, 2021 Regular Session of the North Liberty City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. Councilors present: RaQuishia Harrington Chris Hoffman, Annie Pollock, Brent Smith, Brian Wayson; absent –none.

Others present: Ryan Heiar, Tracey Mulcahey, Ryan Rusnak, Kevin Trom and other interested parties.

Approval of the Agenda

Pollock moved; Smith seconded to approve the agenda. The vote was all ayes. Agenda approved.

Swearing in of elected and reelected officials

City Clerk Mulcahey swore in newly elected City Councilor, Erek Sittig, reelected City Councilor, Brian Wayson, and newly elected Mayor, Chris Hoffman.

Consent Agenda

Harrington moved, Pollock seconded to approve the Consent Agenda including the City Council Minutes from November 23, 2021; the attached list of Claims; Aquatic Center Pool Water Heater Replacement, Change Order Number 1, Tricon General Contractor, \$2,789.02; Aquatic Center Pool Water Heater Replacement, Pay Application Number 3, Tricon General Construction, \$44,596.36; Centennial Park Loop Drive Project, Pay Application Number 3, All American Concrete, inc., \$100,206.00; Forevergreen Road Trail Improvements, Pay Application Number 1, TK Concrete, Inc., \$94,772.00; Ranshaw Way Phase 5 Improvements, Change Order Number 7, Peterson Contractors, Inc., (\$19,449.67); Ranshaw Way Phase 5 Improvements, Pay Application Number 8, Peterson Contractors, Inc., \$467,211.31; Ranshaw House Renovation Phase 2, Change Order Number 5, Wolfe Contracting, Inc., (\$552.00); Liquor License Renewal, Johncy's; Liquor License Renewal, Red's Alehouse; Liquor License Renewal, The Leaderboard; Liquor License Renewal, The Depot. The vote was all ayes. Consent Agenda approved.

Public Comment

No public comment was offered.

City Engineer Report

City Engineer Trom reported on the progress on Ranshaw Way Phase 5. The Centennial Park Loop Road contractor is waiting to complete the final seeding, grading and planting in spring. Dubuque St. Phase 1 project bid award is on the agenda tonight. The Pool Heater Replacement project is nearing completion. The indoor pool reopened yesterday. Staff will be receiving the

results of the latest design phase in the City Hall Project. The Forevergreen Road Trail Project is substantially complete. Council discussed the report with Trom.

City Administrator Report

City Administrator Heiar reported that there is no second meeting in December. Holiday hours are posted online. Planning Director Rusnak presented an update on the Comprehensive Plan process. Council discussed the report with Rusnak.

Mayor Report

Mayor Donahue expressed appreciation for the reception. Councilor Pollock thanked the community for the support during her tenure.

Voting Precincts

At 6:44 p.m., Mayor Donahue opened the public hearing regarding proposed voting precincts. No oral or written comments were received. The public hearing was closed.

Hoffman moved, Wayson seconded to approve the first consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-19, An Ordinance amending Voting Precincts within Chapter 6.07 of the North Liberty Code of Ordinances. The vote was: ayes – Harrington, Hoffman, Smith, Pollock, Wayson; nays – none. Motion carried.

Harrington moved, Smith seconded to waive the requirement of three separate readings on three separate dates. The vote was: ayes – Hoffman, Pollock, Wayson, Smith, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Pollock moved, Smith seconded to approve the second consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-19, An Ordinance amending Voting Precincts within Chapter 6.07 of the North Liberty Code of Ordinances. The vote was: ayes – Harrington, Pollock, Hoffman, Wayson, Smith; nays – none. Motion carried.

Harrington moved, Wayson seconded to approve the third consideration and adoption of Ordinance Number 2021-19, An Ordinance amending Voting Precincts within Chapter 6.07 of the North Liberty Code of Ordinances. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Wayson, Hoffman, Smith, Pollock, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Bowman Property LLC Rezoning

Hoffman moved, Wayson seconded to approve the second consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-18, An Ordinance amending Chapter 167 of the North Liberty Code of Ordinances by amending the use regulations on property located at the Northeast Corner of West Forevergreen Road and South Kansas Avenue located in North Liberty, Iowa to those set forth in the Municipal Code for the RS-4 Single-Unit Dwelling District, RS-6 Single-Unit Dwelling District, RD-10 Two-Unit Residence District, RM-8 Multi-Unit Residence District, RM-12 Multi-Unit Residence District and C-2A Highway Commercial District. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Pollock, Wayson, Hoffman, Smith, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Policy regarding payables for Council meeting

Harrington moved, Hoffman seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-120, A Resolution establishing the policy for the payment of claims due to the cancellation of the second City Council meeting in December 2021. The vote was: ayes – Hoffman, Wayson, Smith, Harrington, Pollock; nays – none. Motion carried.

Urban Renewal Plan Amendment

Heiar provided a summary of the amendment and the process. At 6:50 p.m., Mayor Donahue opened the Public Hearing on Proposed amendment to the North Liberty Renewal Area. No oral or written comments were received. The public hearing was closed.

Smith moved, Wayson seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-121, A Resolution to declare Necessity and Establish an Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 4.04 of the Code of Iowa and Approve Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the North Liberty Urban Renewal Area. The vote was: ayes – Smith, Hoffman, Wayson, Pollock, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Pollock moved, Harrington seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-122, A Resolution setting the date for public hearing on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Urban Renewal Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Wayson, Harrington, Pollock, Hoffman, Smith; nays – none. Motion carried.

General Obligation Proceedings

Heiar presented information on this agenda item. At 6:52 p.m., Mayor Donahue opened the Public Hearing on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Swimming Pool Loan Agreement. No oral or written comments were received. The public hearing was closed.

Wayson moved, Smith seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-123, A Resolution taking additional action on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Swimming Pool Loan Agreement and repurposing bond proceeds. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Smith, Wayson, Harrington, Pollock, Hoffman; nays – none. Motion carried.

Dubuque Street Phase 1 Project

Hoffman moved, Wayson seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-124, A Resolution accepting the bid and authorizing execution of the contract for the Dubuque Street Phase 1 Improvements Project, North Liberty, Iowa. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Smith, Pollock, Wayson, Hoffman, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Fire Department Equipment Sale

Hoffman moved, Wayson seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-125, A Resolution approving the Vehicle Purchase Agreement between the City of North Liberty and the East Orchard Mesa Fire Department. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Hoffman, Smith, Wayson, Pollock, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Commercial Drive Extension Improvement Project

Smith moved, Hoffman seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-126, A Resolution establishing Fair Market Value and Just Compensation for the Acquisition of Certain Property for the Commercial Drive Extension Improvement Project. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Hoffman, Wayson, Harrington, Pollock, Smith; nays – none. Motion carried.

Employee Handbook

Heiar presented information on the proposed change to the Employee Handbook. Harrington moved, Smith seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-127, A Resolution approving the updated Employee Handbook. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Pollock, Smith, Hoffman, Harrington, Wayson; nays – none. Motion carried.

Collective Bargaining Agreement

Heiar presented information on the agreement. Wayson moved, Hoffman seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-128, A Resolution ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement amendments between the City of North Liberty Public Professional and Maintenance Employees Local 2003 IUPAT for the duration of the next contract. The vote was: ayes – Smith, Harrington, Hoffman, Pollock, Wayson; nays – none. Motion carried.

Domestic Violence Intervention Program (DVIP) Social Services Funding Agreement

Pollock moved, Harrington seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-129, A Resolution approving the Social Services Funding Agreement between the City of North Liberty and the Domestic Violence Intervention Program. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Smith, Wayson, Harrington, Pollock, Hoffman; nays – none. Motion carried.

National Opioid Settlement

Heiar presented information on the resolution. Harrington moved, Wayson seconded to approve Resolution Number 2021-130, A Resolution opting to participate in Nationwide Settlements with Opioid Distributors, McKesson, Cardinal Health, and Amerisource Bergen, and Opioid Manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. The vote was: ayes – Hoffman, Wayson, Harrington, Smith, Pollock; nays – none. Motion carried.

Old Business

Councilor Pollock encouraged all to continue to be vigilant in the pandemic. Councilor Smith thanked Mayor Donahue and Councilor Pollock for their service to the community. Councilor Wayson expressed appreciation for Councilor Pollock and Mayor Donahue's service. Councilor Harrington thanked Mayor Donahue and Councilor Pollock for their assistance and service. Councilor Hoffman spoke regarding the sacrifices Councilor Pollock and Mayor Donahue have made. Mayor Donahue thanked his wife for her support during his terms. Donahue recommended a special election. Heiar expressed his pleasure for working with both Pollock and Donahue.

Adjournment

Mayor Donahue adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

CITY OF NORTH LIBERTY

By: _____
Terry L. Donahue, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tracey Mulcahey, City Clerk