



City Council
October 24, 2023
Regular Session

Call to order

Mayor Hoffman called the October 24, 2023, Regular Session of the North Liberty City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1 Quail Creek Circle. Councilors present: Ashley Bermel, RaQuishia Harrington, Erek Sittig, Brent Smith, and Brian Wayson.

Others present: Tracey Mulcahey, Grant Lientz, Ryan Rusnak, Josiah Bilskemper, and other interested parties.

Approval of the Agenda

Harrington moved; Sittig seconded to approve the agenda. The vote was all ayes. Agenda approved.

Consent Agenda

Smith moved, Bermel seconded to approve the Consent Agenda including the City Council Minutes, Regular Session, October 10, 2023; Liquor License Renewal, Fareway; Liquor License Renewal, Rusciano's; Liquor License Renewal, J & A Tap; Liquor License Renewal, Fiesta; Liquor License Amendment, Kum & Go; and the attached list of Claims. The vote was all ayes. Consent Agenda approved.

Public Comment

No public comment was offered.

City Engineer Report

City Engineer Bilskemper reported that the Penn Meadows Parking Lot Project trees and plantings were complete last week, and asphalt was completed this week. The permeable pavers will be installed next week. The project is to be substantially complete by November 24. The Forevergreen Road Signalization Project is at the 95% point of the design phase. It will be bid in December. The Fox Run Pond Trail Project is closing in on the final review. It will be bid in December. The Streets and Maintenance Remodel Project had its final owner review meeting today. Bid documents will be issued soon. The public hearing on plans and specifications will be held at the November 14 Council meeting.

City Administrator Report

City Clerk Mulcahey reported on the 110th City Birthday event.

Mayor Report

Mayor Hoffman had no report.

Council Reports

Councilor Smith passed along the positive comments toward Ryan Rusnak for positive work in the community as he is campaigning. Councilor Sittig attended the Joint Entities meeting last week. JCPH urged all to get flu, COVID and RSV vaccines. Mayor Hoffman reported that ICCSD is looking to start a new comprehensive preschool program. Councilor Bermel reported that the absentee ballot deadline has already passed. She encouraged all to find their polling place and vote in the City and School Board elections. Councilor Wayson reported that all can vote at auditor's office.

Penn Street Railroad Crossing Improvements Project

At 6:36 p.m., Mayor Hoffman opened the public hearing regarding proposed plans, specifications and estimate of cost for the Penn Street Railroad Crossing Improvements Project. No oral or written comments were received. The public hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m.

Harrington moved, Wayson seconded to approve Resolution Number 2023-121, A Resolution finally approving and confirming plans, specifications, and estimate of cost for the Penn Street Railroad Crossing Improvements Project. After discussion, the vote was: ayes – Bermel, Wayson, Smith, Sittig, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Assessment Resolution

Wayson moved, Bermel seconded to approve Resolution Number 2023-122, A Resolution assessing amounts owed to the City of North Liberty, Iowa to individual property taxes. The vote was: ayes – Smith, Wayson, Harrington, Sittig, Bermel; nays – none. Motion carried.

Forevergreen Road East Project

Sittig moved, Wayson seconded to approve Resolution Number 2023-123, A Resolution approving the Services Agreement between the City of North Liberty and Shive-Hattery, Inc. for the Forevergreen Road East Project. The vote was: ayes – Wayson, Bermel, Harrington, Smith, Sittig; nays – none. Motion carried.

Water Tower Place

Harrington moved, Smith seconded to approve Resolution Number 2023-124, A Resolution approving the Escrow Agreement for Water Tower Place between the City of North Liberty and Dahnovan Land Development, LLC. The vote was: ayes – Bermel, Harrington, Smith, Sittig, Wayson; nays – none. Motion carried.

Sittig moved, Bermel seconded to approve Resolution Number 2023-125, A Resolution approving the Final Plat for Water Tower Place in North Liberty, Iowa. The vote was: ayes – Smith, Sittig, Wayson, Bermel, Harrington; nays – none. Motion carried.

Old Business

No old business was presented.

New Business

Councilor Wayson offered the reminder that this coming weekend is the pickup for Scouting for Food. Councilor Smith is meeting with Senator Zach Wahls to discuss the predatory purchasing of mobile home parks.

Adjournment

Smith moved; Wayson seconded to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. The vote was all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

CITY OF NORTH LIBERTY

By: _____
Chris Hoffman, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tracey Mulcahey, City Clerk