

**Forest City Council Minutes**  
**July 1, 2024**

Mayor Ron Holland called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Karl Wooldridge, Absent: Tony Mikes.

Motion by Karl Wooldridge, second by Marcia Tweeten to approve the following consent agenda items: 07/01/2024 Agenda, Council Minutes 06/17/2024, approve Outdoor Service Area Liquor License for Ay Jalisco, Invoices as presented, carried unanimously.

Andy Buffington, Winnebago County Emergency Management Director, discussed updating the City's Hazard Mitigation Plan and talked about getting citizens involved in filling out the Hazard Mitigation Survey.

Motion by Dan Davis, second by Carly Carper to approve an agreement with NIACOG to update the City's Comprehensive Plan at a cost of \$18,000, carried unanimously.

Maggie Burger with Speer Financial reviewed the bids for the recent sale of GO Bonds. There was then a motion by Carly Carper, second by Brad Buffington to approve Resolution 24-25-1 Awarding GO Bonds, Series 2024, Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Karl Wooldridge, Nays: none, Absent: Tony Mikes.

Motion by Dan Davis, second by Marcia Tweeten to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the Ordinance No. 846 Repealing Ordinance No. 838 Amending the fuel and purchased power cost adjustment for the Electric Utility. Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Karl Wooldridge, Nays: none, Absent: Tony Mikes

Motion by Karl Wooldridge, second by AJ Welch to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of Ordinance No. 846 Repealing Ordinance No. 838 Amending the fuel and purchased power cost adjustment for the Electric Utility, Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Karl Wooldridge, Nays: none, Absent: Tony Mikes

Motion by Karl Wooldridge, second by Dan Davis for the final approval of Ordinance No. 846 Repealing Ordinance No. 838 Amending the fuel and purchased power cost adjustment for the Electric Utility, Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Karl Wooldridge, Nays: none, Absent: Tony Mikes.

Motion by Dan Davis, second by Carly Carper to approve the Fireworks Permit for Puckerbrush, carried unanimously.

Motion by Brad Buffington, second by Carly Carper to approve a task order with DGR for the J Street Project in the amount of \$15,000, carried unanimously. Absent: Tony Mikes.

Motion by Karl Wooldridge, second by Marcia Tweeten approve a quote from Rognes Brothers Excavating to extend a Sanitary Sewer Main up the alley at K & 9<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$32,000, carried unanimously. Absent: Tony Mikes.

Motion by Karl Wooldridge, second by Carly Carper approving the purchase of a 2024 John Deer lawn mower at a cost of \$10,100.00 after trade-in, carried unanimously.

Mayor Holland acknowledged the following payroll change notice: Steven Schulze 5-year, Step 4 to \$27.30/hour.

Staff Reports: Tom Montgomery shared that they had training at the PD last week with other towns that participated. Andrew Faber reported they have been spraying weeds and working on painting the crosswalks and assisted with sandbagging by the Country Club. Duane Kuhn shared that TJ Haas and Carson Buffington went to Spencer Iowa as part of the Mutual Aid Program to help them after their flooding.

Motion by Karl Wooldridge, second by Dan Davis to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm, carried unanimously.

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Daisy Huffman, City Clerk/Administrator

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Ronald Holland, Mayor