

**Forest City Council Minutes**  
**July 15, 2024**

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

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

Motion by Dan Davis, second by Tony Mikes, to approve the following consent agenda items: 07/15/2024 Agenda, Council Minutes 07/01/2024, Airport Minutes 07/09/2024, Park & Rec Minutes 06/10/2024, Invoices as presented, Cobblestone Inn & Suites liquor license renewal and VIP Too 5-day liquor license, carried unanimously.

Matt from Mosquito Control of Iowa gave an update on the new strain of mosquitos. He discussed the speed he travels is determined by the chemical that is being sprayed, which is less than 20mph.

Kevin Graves and Matt Hawes from WHKS presented an update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project.

Motion by Brad Buffington, second by Marcia Tweeten to approve Resolution 24-25-2 Accepting final plans and specifications and issuing the Notice to Bidders for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project setting August 22, 2024, as the bid due date and September 3, 2024, as the public hearing and award date, Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Tony Mikes, Nays: none, Absent: Karl Wooldridge.

Motion by Dan Davis, second by Carly Carper to authorize and approve Resolution 24-25-3 a Loan Agreement, providing for the issuance of \$1,925,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2024, and providing for the levy of taxes to pay the same. Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Tony Mikes, Nays: none, Absent: Karl Wooldridge.

Motion by Carly Carper second by AJ Welch to approve Resolution 24-25-4 Ordering Bids, Approving Plans, Specifications and Form of Contract and Notice to Bidders, Fixing Amount of Bid Security, and Ordering Clerk to Publish Notice and Fixing a Date for receiving same, and for a Public Hearing on Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Costs for the Furnishing of an Electric Power Transformer - Power Plant Substations for Forest City, Iowa. Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis, Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Tony Mikes, Nays: none, Absent: Karl Wooldridge.

Motion by Carly Carper second by Tony Mikes to approve Resolution 24-25-5 Ordering Bids, Approving Plans, Specifications and Form of Contract and Notice to Bidders, Fixing Amount of Bid Security, and Ordering Clerk to Publish Notice and Fixing a Date for receiving same, and for

a Public Hearing on Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Costs for the Furnishing of an Electric Step Up Transformer - Power Plant Substations for Forest City, Iowa  
Ayes: Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis Marcia Tweeten, AJ Welch, Tony Mikes, Nays: none, Absent: Karl Wooldridge.

Motion by Brad Buffington, second by Dan Davis to approve pay estimate No.1 for the 2024 street reconstruction project to Wicks Construction, \$122,125.34, carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding three Park Street Sanitary Sewer connections. Direction was given for the engineer to move forward with plans and specs.

Motion by Brad Buffington, second by Tony Mikes approving a quote from Advanced Door to replace the storage shed door on the Clark Street building, \$4930.00, carried unanimously.

Motion by Dan Davis, second by Marcia Tweeten approving a quote from Computer Systems Unlimited to upgrade the City Administrators computer, \$894.00, carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding possible appointments to the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee. Beth Bilyeu spoke on the vision and direction of the plan which will help determine how the community will grow in the future. Tony Mikes has agreed to represent the city with Carly Carper as the alternate.

Staff Reports: Police Lieutenant Ross Eiden reported that the Police Reserve Omelet Breakfast fundraiser went well, there are two new Reserves that will be joining the department, and the new squad car is still on back order. Kevin Riecks reported the N 8<sup>th</sup> manhole project and Riverview Drive water main projects are complete and work continues on the N 9<sup>th</sup> St. water main project. Anderw Faber reported that the street painting is finished for this season and the Country Club Heights projects is waiting for the water level to go down so the storm sewer can be installed. The Street Department is also assisting with the cleanup of the parks after the flooding. Duane Kuhn shared the two linemen made it home safe after working to help with flooding cleanup in Spencer.

Motion by Brad Buffington, second by Carly Carper to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm, carried unanimously.

Attest:

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Daisy Huffman, City Clerk/Administrator

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Ronald Holland, Mayor