

City of LeClaire, Iowa
City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 1, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 325 Wisconsin St, LeClaire, IA

Mayor: _____ Blair: _____ Bloom: _____ Gravert: _____ Long: _____ Salvador: _____
Bockenstedt: _____ Laserfiche: _____ Publication: _____

Mayor Gerard called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 325 Wisconsin Street. Present: Mayor Dennis Gerard, Council Members Amy Blair, Bill Bloom, Sara Gravert, Barry Long and Ryan Salvador, City Administrator Dennis Bockenstedt, City Clerk Tracy Northcutt, Police Chief Shane Themas, Fire Chief Jim Bradley, Public Works Director Mark Dale, Parks & Rec Director Greg Ludwig, Library Director Melita Tunnicliff and City Engineer Leo Foley. Absent: None. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution 22-149

Moved by Long, seconded by Blair, approving the August 1, 2022, Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-150

Moved by Long, seconded by Gravert, approving all the Council Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2022, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Public Appearances

Bob Brockhouse, Bettendorf, indicated he was on the original committee for the Freedom Rock and gave an overview of the purpose and history of the project. Asked Council to take action to restore the pavers that are in poor condition.

Don Draught, Post Commander, American Legion Post 347, reiterated the need for the pavers to be restored an offered assistance in any possible way.

Dale Grunwald, 409 S. Schultz Dr., Long Grove, IA, inquired as to why the bid that he submitted was not on the agenda for approval. Dennis Bockenstedt, City Administrator, stated that the bid submitted did not meet minimum requirements, and was not subject to approval. Mr. Grunwald disagreed with the fair market value and requested the City Council further review.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Gerard gave an overview of the vehicle entries that were made by young people driving a stolen vehicle in the overnight hours of July 24, 2022. Mayor and Chief Themas emphasized the importance of keeping vehicles, homes and belongings secure and locked as all of the incidents of theft were to unlocked vehicles.

Council Reports

Resolution 22-151

Moved by Blair, seconded by Salvador, calling for and establishing a date for 2022-2023 Budget Amendment I for Monday, August 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Public Hearing – Chapter 7 Amendment

Mayor Gerard called a Public Hearing to order at 6:20 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed Chapter 7 Amendment. Roll call was taken with Council Members Blair, Bloom, Gravert, Long and Salvador present. Absent: None. No written or verbal comments were submitted. Moved by Long, seconded by Salvador to close the public hearing at 6:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Ordinance 826

Moved by Blair, seconded by Long, approving the first reading in title only of Ordinance 826, an Ordinance amending Chapter 7 (Fiscal Management & Related Procedures) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of LeClaire, Iowa, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-152

Moved by Gravert, seconded by Bloom, approving the Pay Estimate 2 to Helm Group in the amount of \$198,778.63 for the Territorial Bridge Project, as presented. Motion carried on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-153

Moved by Gravert, seconded by Long, approving the installation of streetlights by MidAmerican Energy Co. in the amount of \$15,231.44 for the Wisconsin & 35th Street Roundabout Project, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-154

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Blair, approving the exclusive use of the levee as well as certain streets more particularly described herein for the annual Tug Fest special event to be held August 11-13, 2022, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-155

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Long, approving Superior Seawalls & Docks to repair and replace the public docks on the levee in an amount not to exceed \$138,100.00, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-156

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Blair, approving an Economic Development Grant Program for commercial buildings within Urban Revitalization Area Zones C or G, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-157

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Gravert, preliminarily approving the application for tax exemptions under the LeClaire Urban Revitalization Program from Rodney & Kimberly Collier for Grasshoppers 1st Addition, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Resolution 22-158

Moved by Salvador, seconded by Blair, preliminarily approving the application for tax exemptions under the LeClaire Urban Revitalization Program from Root 67 LLC, Rodney & Kimberly Collier for 423-425 Cody Road, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Adjournment

Moved by Long, seconded by Blair, to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Dennis Gerard, Mayor

Attest:

Tracy A. Northcutt, City Clerk