

REGULAR SESSION

December 11, 2024

The Essex City Council met in regular session at the Essex Community Room at 7:00 PM. Mayor Kinney called the meeting to order and roll call was taken showing the following members of the Council present or absent. Present: Ballinger, Eshelman, Franks, Gresham, Wenstrand-Larson. Absent: none. City Clerk Ohnmacht was also present.

The agenda was approved. Motion by Ballinger, second by Eshelman. Ayes: All.

No public comments.

Rickie Willis presented comments and questions concerning the official dog complaint he had received. He reported that he has taken measures to make sure that his dog is not left unattended.

Public hearing: Resolution 2024 – 23 Invitation to Bid on property 209 Central was opened. One sealed bid was presented to the council. It was opened and recorded that Daniel and LeeAnn Anderson presented a bid for \$2,201.00. The public hearing was closed.

Motion to accept Anderson bid of \$2,201 for 209 Central by Eshelman, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

Public hearing: Resolution 2024 – 25 Storage containers was opened. There were no written or oral comments or objections. The public hearing was closed.

Motion to approve first reading of Resolution 2024 – 25 Storage containers by Eshelman, second by Wenstrand-Larson. Ayes: All.

Motion to waive second and third reading of Resolution 2024 – 25 Storage Containers by Wenstrand-Larson, second by Eshelman. Ayes: Franks, Eshelman, Gresham, Wenstrand-Larson. Nays: Ballinger.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2024 -06 Storage containers by Eshelman, second by Wenstrand-Larson. Ayes: All.

Acceptance of monthly Page County Sheriff's Report November 1, 2024 – November 30, 2024. Motion by Ballinger, second by Franks. Ayes: All.

Acceptance of delinquent utilities report. Motion by Wenstrand-Larson, second by Ballinger. Ayes: All.

The council directed Mayor to move forward with the sale of brass from old water meters.

Approval of Library board member Elly Stoaks. Motion by Wenstrand-Larson, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

Approval Essex Youth Sports resignations Sarah McDowell, Ashley Holmes, Regan Dailey. Motion by Wenstrand-Larson, second by Eshelman. Ayes: All.

Approval of Essex Youth Sports board member Rianne Juarez. Motion by Ballinger, second by Eshelman. Ayes: All.

Approval Resolution 2024 – 26 Library transfer of funds. Motion by Franks, second by Wenstrand-Larson. Ayes: All.

Approval of Fremont 4H Club to rehabilitate exterior of Anderson Park restroom. Motion by Wenstrand-Larson, second by Franks. Ayes: All.

Approval Resolution 2024 – 27: Change of Zoning Block 6 First Addition (from C-3 to residential). Motion by Eshelman, second by Ballinger. Ayes: All,

Discussion to change meeting date from Wednesday. Motion to change day to Monday by Eshelman. Motion died due to lack of second.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Minutes: November 13, 2024, December 4, 2024; Treasurer's Report November 30, 2024; Abstract of Claims November 14, 2024 – December 11, 2024. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

No City attorney update due to absence of Sorensen.

Mayor reported that he is working on gathering budget information.

Good News:

- Jeff – cruise was great.
- Betty – daughter home from surgery (went well)
- Mary – cheerleaders will be performing at Iowa Wolves game in February.
- Dennis – all the kids are getting together this weekend.
- Nicole – basketball reffing is going good so far.
- Patti – went to Grandson's first Christmas program.
- Calvin – hosting family Christmas with all the kids

Adjournment at 8;19 PM. Motion by Franks, second by Ballinger. Ayes: All.

Mayor, Calvin L. Kinney

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Mary A. Ohnmacht