

November 22, 2021  
City Council Meeting Minutes

The November 22, 2021 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Staner. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then Hosch, Knepper, Delaney, Kelchen and Rausch answered roll call.

A motion was made by Rausch, second by Hosch to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Shirley McDermott addressed the Council and inquired who was on the street committee and mentioned the wagons driving on Tyler Street. Also, mentioned about the hardship pulling garbage and recycling totes out to the street and asked if there was money to repair alleys.

Teri Wollenberg also addressed the Council regarding the delay to discuss building permit process and that the apartments are still discharging storm water onto 5<sup>th</sup> Ave and Tyler Street and not onto green space and also a garage. This will get reviewed and addressed.

Council reviewed the items in the consent agenda including City Council minutes 11/08/21, Library Board minutes 11/03/21, Cascade Municipal Utilities Board minutes 11/10/21, Liquor License renewal for The Corner Taproom and Two Gingers and a liquor license for McDermott Oil Company DBA Lyon's Cascade. Motion by Delaney, second by Knepper to approve the items in the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the *3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #08-21*, An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa, by Rezoning Lots 309 & 310 Union Add to East Cascade from Current Zoning District Classification C-1, Highway Commercial to M-1, Light Industrial District in the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Delaney, second by Hosch to approve the *3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #08-21*. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

There is a Downtown Housing Grant open currently and Iowa Main Street Investments would like to apply to renovate the KC Building in the downtown. The grant requires that the City provide 25% support for the grant application. Therefore, the developer completed the Property Tax Reimbursement Program application for tax rebates, the TIF Refinancing Loan Program which offers the developer a 0% interest loan and also the Downtown Façade Renovation Reimbursement application. Based on the estimated taxable value of the building after renovations, the total property tax reimbursement would be \$180,747 and the max reimbursement for the façade reimbursement is \$20,000. The total incentives the City might have to pay out is \$200,747. Everyone is excited for this project since it is in the heart of the downtown. Motion by Delaney, second by Rausch to approve the incentives to provide the 25% match for the grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed **Resolution #57-21**, Resolution Setting a Public Hearing Date to Adopt the Code of Ordinances. The public hearing will be held December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Motion by Hosch, second by Knepper to approve **Resolution #57-21**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council received a report from the Police Chief and City Administrator. The Police Chief let Council know that there are holiday scams going on. Don't pay anything or provide any personal information to anyone over the phone or through an email. Also, the first week in December the build for the new car will start. The City Administrator let Council know that the annual levee inspection was held last week and everything was fine. Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup> is Small Business Saturday. December 4<sup>th</sup> is Cascade's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Christmas in the Park from 2:00-5:00pm. Also, the Holiday Lighting contest is being held and judging is December 1<sup>st</sup>. The intakes on Garfield are done. The first budget workshop will be held with Department heads on Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. Sewer lines were jetted on Nixon Street, under the river and the lift stations at Polk street and River Bend.

Councilmember Hosch provided the Council with information on Iowa Initiative for Sustainable Communities. He also mentioned doing a newsletter couple times a year to the public, which came out of the candidate forum.

With no other business, Hosch moved and Delaney seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:25p.m. Motion carried.

Deanna McCusker, City Administrator

Greg Staner, Mayor