

**WEBSTER CITY CITY COUNCIL AND HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC MEETING/JOINT WORK SESSION MINUTES
Webster City, Iowa October 17, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.**

The City Council met for a special Public Meeting/Joint Work Session with the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors at the City Hall, Webster City, Iowa at 5:30 p.m., on October 17, 2023, upon call of the Mayor and the advance agenda.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Hawkins and roll being called there were present in Council Chambers the following: Mayor John Hawkins and Council Members Abbie Hansen, Megan McFarland and Matt McKinney. Council Member Logan Welch was absent.

Hamilton County Board of Supervisors Roll Call was taken by Lori Kloberdanz with the following Supervisors present: Chairman Jerry Kloberdanz, Rick Young and Dan Campidilli.

2. It was moved by Hansen and seconded by McKinney to approve the agenda.

ROLL CALL: Hansen, Hawkins, McFarland and McKinney voting aye.

3. Mayor John Hawkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. The Work Session was held on the future of the Wilson Brewer Historic Park. Also in attendance for the Work Session were City Manager Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez, City Clerk Karyl Bonjour, Recreation and Public Grounds Director Breanne Leshner, Doug Herman of Lynch Dallas, P.C. and a few members from the public.

Jerry Kloberdanz, Hamilton County Board of Supervisors Chairman, began the work session by reading the Proposal from Dean Bowden dated October 17, 2023 in regard to the donation to Wilson Brewer Historic Park. The proposal included eight considerations for the City and County to meet as conditions for the one million dollars he would donate into an endowment fund for the benefit of the Wilson Brewer Historic Park. The proposal included items such as, but not limited to, the establishment of a tax-exempt organization and an elected Board of Trustees to oversee the operation and maintenance of the Park, financial commitments to the Park by the City and County, seeking the services of a curator, and that the City and County come to an agreement regarding utilities, insurance, mowing, snow removal, etc.

Doug Herman, of Lynch Dallas, P.C., provided some insight into the Proposal and aspects of the considerations to be met by the City and County. It was mentioned the Board of Trustees could be determined by an election, but may not necessarily have to go through the Hamilton County Auditor's Office. He suggested that there would need to be an agreement between the City and County and that the Board of Trustees would still be subject to providing records for review by both entities. After much discussion, the City of Webster City Council Members and the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors were comfortable in moving forward with the next step in the process of the future of the Wilson Brewer Historic Park. Mr. Herman will incorporate the proposal items into an agreement and present to both entities once drafted.

5. It was moved by McFarland and seconded by Hansen that Council adjourn.

ROLL CALL: Hawkins, McFarland, McKinney and Hansen voting aye.

The October 17, 2023 City Council Public Meeting/Joint Work Session with the Hamilton County Supervisors stood adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

John Hawkins, Mayor

Karyl K. Bonjour, City Clerk