

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Webster City, Iowa October 21, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

The City Council met in regular session at the City Hall, Webster City, Iowa at 6:00 p.m. on October 21, 2024 upon call of the Mayor and the advance agenda. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Hawkins and roll being called there were present in Council Chambers the following Council Members: Abbie Hansen, Megan McFarland, Matt McKinney and Logan Welch.

This meeting was open to the public and can be viewed live on the City Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/cityofwebstercity/> or viewed on the City of Webster City website <https://webstercity.com/government/city-council/city-council-meetings/> the following morning.

Mayor John Hawkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by McFarland and seconded by Hansen to approve the agenda
ROLL CALL: Hansen, Hawkins, McFarland, McKinney and Welch voting aye.

PETITIONS- COMMUNICATIONS- REQUESTS

None brought forth.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

None brought forth.

MINUTES, CLAIMS, REPORTS, LICENSES, REQUESTS

It was moved by Hansen and seconded by McKinney that the following minutes, claims, reports, licenses and requests (a-e) be approved collectively:

- a. Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting
- b. Claims, including Payroll ending October 5, 2024 and Fund List
- c. Reports of Wastewater, Electric, Water for September 2024 be accepted and placed on file.
- d. Police Department Activity Report for September 2024 be accepted and placed on file.
- e. Fire Department Report for September 2024 be accepted and placed on file.
- f. Council Committee Reports – none brought forth
- g. Other reports and recommendations – none brought forth

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

GENERAL AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS 6:05 p.m.

a. October 21, 2024 at 6:05 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 400 Second Street, Webster City, Iowa being the time and place for a Public Hearing on the Plans and Specifications, proposed Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost for furnishing Minor Materials for the Phase 1 Electric Distribution Improvements, the same was held. No written objections were filed and no oral objections were presented.

It was moved by Welch and seconded by McFarland that Resolution No. 2024-154 finally approving Plans and Specifications, proposed Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost and authorizing the City Manager to execute and award contracts for furnishing Minor Materials for the Phase 1 Electric Distribution Improvements to: Fletcher-Reinhardt Company \$72,058.33 (for Bid Nos. 1 and 4); Border States \$29,647.86 (for Bid Nos. 2, 3 and 5) and Dakota Supply Group \$8,645.20 (for Bid Nos. 6 and 7) for the total amount before taxes of \$110,351.39 - \$118,075.99 including taxes, be passed and adopted

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

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b. October 21, 2024 at 6:05 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 400 Second Street, Webster City Iowa being the time and place for a Public Hearing on the proposition of the disposal of interest in real property owned by the Municipal Gas Utility, under an agreement for the use of the City Utility Distribution Facilities and the transportation of Natural Gas, the same was held. No written objections were filed and no oral objections were presented.

It was moved by McKinney and seconded by Welch that Resolution No. 2024-155 finally approving the Disposal of Interest in Real Property owned by the Municipal Gas Utility, under an agreement for the use of the City Utility Distribution Facilities and the transportation of Natural Gas to Black Hills Energy be passed and adopted.

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

c. October 21, 2024 at 6:05 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 400 Second Street, Webster City, Iowa being the time and place for a Public Hearing on the Proposed renewal of the Gas Franchise Ordinance with Black Hills Energy, the same was held. No written objections were filed and no oral objections were presented.

Approval of First Reading of a proposed Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Webster City and granting Renewal of the Gas Franchise Ordinance with Black Hills Energy was considered by Council.

It was moved by Welch and seconded by Hansen that the First Reading of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Webster City, Iowa, 2019, by Replacing Chapter 24, Article III Pertaining to Natural Gas Franchise, Granting to Black Hills/Iowa Gas Utility Company, LLC D/B/A Black Hills Energy, a Delaware Limited Liability Corporation, Its Lessees, Successors and Assigns, a Nonexclusive Authority for a Period of Twenty-Five (25) Years to Erect, Maintain and Operate a Gas Distribution System and any and all Necessary Mains, Pipes, Services and Other Appurtenances thereunto Appertaining In, Upon, Over, Across and Along the Streets, Alleys, Bridges and Public Places of the City, and for the Transmission, Transportation, Distribution and Sale of Natural and/or Mixed Gas for Heating, Industrial and all other Uses and Purposes in the City and for the purpose of Transmitting, Transporting and Conveying such Gas Into, Through or Beyond the Immediate Limits of the City to Other Cities, Towns and Customers, and Prescribing the Terms and Conditions under which the Company is to Operate, be approved.

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

Aaron Hilligas of Ahlers and Cooney, P.C. was present and spoke on agenda items b and c.

d. It was moved by Hansen and seconded by McFarland that Resolution No. 2024-156 approving the Purchase of a 2025 Vermeer VX50 Series Vacuum Excavator for the City of Webster City Line Department from Vermeer Iowa & N. Missouri, Des Moines, Iowa in the amount of \$74,872.00 plus tax, be passed and adopted.

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

e. It was moved by McFarland and seconded by Hansen that Resolution No. 2024-157 Accepting and Approving the Minor Subdivision Plat of Lockwood Estates Addition, Hamilton County, Iowa be passed and adopted.

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

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f. It was moved by Welch and seconded by McKinney that Resolution No. 2024-158 authorizing the Street Department Supervisor to Sign and Execute Partial Payment Application No. 3 in the amount of \$5,754.15 and Final Recommended Project Acceptance for the 2025 HMA Improvements Project, with retainage in the amount of \$42,213.75 to be paid in 30 days to Heartland Asphalt, Inc., Mason City, Iowa, be passed and adopted.

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

g. It was moved by McKinney and seconded by Hansen that Resolution No. 2024-159 approving the conveyance of an Easement at 345 Fair Meadow Drive, Webster City, Iowa, to the City of Webster City, Iowa, and Authorizing the City Manager to execute the Easement Agreement, be passed and adopted.

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

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by McFarland and seconded by Hansen that the Council meet in closed session to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property, or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property as provided by Chapter 21.5 j. of the Code of Iowa.

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

Council went out of Open Session at 6:25 p.m.

Council took a short recess.

Council went into Closed Session at 6:30 p.m.

Council returned to Open Session at 7:12 p.m.

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

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

The October 21, 2024 Regular City Council meeting stood adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

John Hawkins, Mayor

Karyl K. Bonjour, City Clerk