

**CITY OF PRAIRIE CITY
MINUTES
AUGUST 5, 2020**

The August 5, 2020, Prairie City Council workshop and meeting were called to order by Mayor Alleger at 6:00 p.m. City Council members: Lindsay, Berger, Townsend, McDonald, and Taylor were present. City Administrator Lloyd, Librarian Ponder, Engineer Inhelder, and City Utility Operator VanderKamp were also present.

During the workshop a library update was given by Ponder and the Vermillion Design Group. A Streetscape design was introduced by Ponder. Inhelder gave the Council a cost to assist in determining the grades and elevations to determine the viability of the Streetscape.

Fireworks were discussed and the subject of time and dates for discharging fireworks will be on the August 19th Agenda.

Administrator Lloyd updated Council on building permits, reviews, and inspections. This will also be discussed at the August 19th Council Meeting.

Administrator Lloyd gave Council funding sources for a Phase 1 of a water main replacement.

It was moved by McDonald to adjourn from the workshop. The motion was seconded by Berger and passed all ayes. The workshop ended at 7:24 p.m.

It was moved to enter into the regular Council meeting at 7:26 p.m. with all Council members present. It was moved by Townsend to approve the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Taylor.

It was moved by Councilor Berger to approve a music contract between the City and Cody Hicks for a Concert August 21, 2020, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 pm for \$1,600.00 to be paid from the Celebration Committee. The motion was seconded by McDonald and passed all ayes.

It was moved by Townsend and seconded by Taylor to allow geocaching around the City Hall property. The motion passed all ayes.

It was moved by Councilor McDonald to approve an agreement between the City of Prairie City and the Iowa Economic Development Agency for a Catalyst Grant. The motion was seconded by Lindsay. The motion passed 4-1 with Councilor Townsend abstaining, citing a conflict of interest working for the Iowa Economic Development Authority.

It was moved by Councilor McDonald to approve an agreement between the City of Prairie City and Mound Prairie Ventures pending the removal of the words “payable after the project is complete”. The motion was seconded by Berger. The motion passed 4-1 with Councilor Townsend abstaining, citing a conflict of interest working for the Iowa Economic Development Authority.

It was moved by McDonald to go out for bid on the Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Extension 2020. The motion was seconded by Councilor Lindsay and passed all ayes.

It was moved by Lindsay and seconded by Berger to enter into a 28E Agreement for the Safety Coalition of Central Iowa Cities Shared Services Agreement. The motion passed all ayes.

It was moved to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5 at 7:54 p.m. by Townsend. The motion was seconded by Taylor and passed all ayes.

At 9:11 p.m. it was moved by Lindsay to move out of closed session and move into open session. The motion was seconded by Townsend.

It was moved by Taylor to increase part time police wages to \$25.00/hour. The motion was seconded by Berger and approved all ayes.

Due to Officer Baldus leaving the City and accepting a position in another community, it was moved by Taylor to accept the resignation of Officer Baldus. The motion was seconded by Townsend and approved all ayes. Officer Baldus, enjoying the community of Prairie City did offer service to be a part- time police officer as needed. It was moved by Lindsay to approve Officer Baldus as a part-time police officer for Prairie City. The motion was seconded by Berger and passed all ayes.

It was moved to appoint William Sickels to a part-time Police Officer by Townsend. The motion was seconded by McDonald and passed all ayes.

It was moved to post hiring a full time police officer at a rate of \$23.00/hour by Councilor Taylor. The motion was seconded by Townsend. The motion passed all ayes.

It was move to adjourn by McDonald and seconded by Lindsay. The motion passed all ayes. The Prairie City Council workshop and meeting concluded at 9:15 p.m.

Chad D. Alleger

Mayor

ATTESTED TO:

John Lloyd

City Administrator