

HUXLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

These minutes are as recorded by the City Clerk and are subject to City Council approval at the next regular council meeting.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Huxley City Council held a council meeting and work session on the above date pursuant to rules of the council, notice posted at City Hall and onto website. Mayor Deaton called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

ROLL CALL: Kuhn, Pilcher, Echer, Roberts, Thompson

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion by Kuhn, second by Roberts to approve agenda as presented. Roll Call: Pilcher, Echer, Roberts, Kuhn, Thompson voted yes. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Rita Conner—City Administrator, Jolene Letto —City Clerk, Cathy Van Maanen—Library Director, Heather Denger—Parks and Rec Director, Gerry Stoll—Police Chief, Lisa Wheeler—HR/Office Coordinator, Travis Woodbeck—Fire Chief

CONSULTANTS: Chip Schulz – Financial Advisor/Northland Securities

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Roberts, second by Echer to approve Consent Agenda as listed with Items *D and E* to be pulled from Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

- a. Approve Minutes from February 15, 2022, Regular Council meeting and Budget Worksession
- b. Approve Payment of Bills
- c. Resolution 22-015 Approval of Change Order No. 1 Water System Improvements Shallow Well No. 7 Project
- d. *Resolution No. 22-016 Approving Story County Dispatch Services Contract – pulled for separate discussion*
- e. *Approval of Public Works Utility I Position Employment Offer – pulled for separate discussion*

Consent Agenda Roll Call: Pilcher, Echer, Roberts, Kuhn, Thompson voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion – Kuhn, second – Echer on Resolution No. 22-016 to Approve Story County Dispatch Services. Councilman Kuhn expressed concerns with language in contract that included costs for Cambridge under Huxley’s authority. Contract for police services between Cambridge and Huxley has not been finalized yet. Therefore, language should be added to County contract that allows dispatch fees to be separated and Huxley not be held accountable for Cambridge fees if Huxley does not contract police services with Cambridge. Roll Call: Roberts, Echer, Kuhn, Thompson, Pilcher voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion – Roberts, second – Pilcher on Approval of Public Works Utility I Position Employment Offer. City Administrator, Rita Conner, explained organizational chart included in packet. Roll Call: Roberts, Echer, Kuhn, Thompson, Pilcher voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion – Roberts, second – Pilcher on Resolution No. 22-017 to Authorize the Use of a Preliminary Official Statement for the Sale of General Obligation Water Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2022A. Roll Call: Roberts, Echer, Thompson, Pilcher voted yes; Kuhn voted no. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: Motion – Pilcher, second – Thompson to adjourn to work session at 6:57pm. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

WORK SESSION:

Joe Langel, Holmes Murphy representative, spoke to council about upcoming health insurance rates. Discussion took place on options to utilize Trust Fund monies.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion – Pilcher, second – Roberts to adjourn meeting at 7:33pm. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Submitted by: Jolene R. Lettow, City Clerk