

COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 14, 2020

(Please note these are draft minutes and may be amended by Council before final approval.)

In support of Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds’ proclamation declaring a State of Public Health Disaster Emergency in Iowa, the current COVID-19 situation made it “impossible and impractical” to meet in one location. Due to this the Carroll City Hall was closed to the public for the December 14, 2020 City Council meeting. However, the meeting was held telephonically or via Zoom web conferencing. The public was able to hear and participate in the Council meeting by calling into a publicly posted phone number.

The Carroll City Council met in regular session on this date at 5:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 627 N Adams Street. Members present: Misty Boes, Jerry Fleshner, Clay Haley, Mike Kots and Carolyn Siemann. Absent: LaVern Dirx. Mayor Eric Jensen presided and City Attorney Dave Bruner was in attendance via web conference.

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The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the City Council. No Council action taken.

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It was moved by Haley, seconded by Kots, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: a) minutes of the November 23, 2020 Council meeting, as written; b) bills and claims in the amount of \$664,702.50; c) the renewal of Class “C” Liquor License with Sunday Sales – *Kerps Bar & Grill*; d) the appointment of the following to serve as the 2021 Carroll Fire Department Officers: Fire Chief – Greg Schreck, Assistant Fire Chief – Bob Shields, Captains – Dan Hannasch and Josh Hamilton, Lieutenants – Jeff Cullen and B.J. Schreck and Training Officer – Brad Warnke; e) the acceptance of Ronald D. Speckmann, FEH Design, as Architect of Record on the Street Maintenance Facility Project; and f) Resolution No. 20-99, Change the Regular December 28 Council Meeting to December 21, 2020. On roll call, all present voted aye. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

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There were no oral requests or communications from the audience.

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An ordinance to amend Chapter 158 Rental Housing Code by amending the section relating to handrails was introduced by Council Member Haley.

It was moved by Haley, seconded by Siemann, to approve the first reading and waive the second and third readings of said Ordinance. On roll call, all present voted. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kots, seconded by Haley, to adopt said Ordinance No. 2020. On roll call, all present voted aye. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

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At 5:20 p.m. Mayor Jensen opened a public hearing on the property sale and redevelopment of 224 N Main Street. Audio issues were encountered from 5:22 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. at which time the public hearing re-started. Comments were submitted prior to the Council meeting by Amy Brown, Kyle Bauer, Matt Wendl and Peggy Buman. Andy Rowland, owner of Rowland Real Estate LLC, Margaret Sadoris (who also read a letter on behalf of Joleen Handlos), Kyle Bauer, Tom Buman, Peggy Buman, and Amy Brown addressed Council on this issue during the meeting. Mayor Jensen closed said hearing at 6:14 p.m.

It was moved by Kots, seconded by Siemann, to approve Resolution No. 20-100, Sale of the City Interest of Real Estate located at 224 N Main Street to Rowland Real Estate LLC for \$1,000. On roll call, all present voted aye except Boes voted nay. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

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Mayor Jensen appointed Council Member Jerry Fleshner as Mayor Pro Tem for 2021.

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It was moved by Kots, seconded by Haley, to go into closed session at 6:32 p.m. per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) – Strategy with Legal Counsel. On roll call, all present voted aye. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Fleshner, seconded by Haley, to go back into open session at 6:43 p.m. On roll call, all present voted aye. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Haley, seconded by Siemann, approve a settlement with Selective Insurance for damages from a water main break that occurred on January 15, 2018 on Main Street. On roll call, all present voted aye. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Fleshner, seconded by Haley, to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. On roll call, all present voted aye. Absent: Dirx. Motion carried.

Eric P. Jensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura A. Schaefer, City Clerk