

Maharishi Vedic City  
Minutes of a Regular City Council Meeting  
Friday, November 29, 2023, 2:00 PM  
City Hall, 1750 Maharishi Center Avenue

Present: Mayor Rogers Badgett; Councilmembers Chris Johnson (left 3:30 p.m.), Steve Boss, Kara Anastasio (left 3:40 p.m.), Leslee Goldstein, Marty Hulsebos

Absent: None.

Present in Addition: Loraine Przybylski; DeWayne Heintz, Jefferson County Engineer

Mayor Rogers Badgett called the meeting to order.

1. Public Comments—None.
2. Discuss Roads with Jefferson County Engineer, DeWayne Heintz—City Council discussed expansion of farm-to-market roads to include 170<sup>th</sup>/John Estle St., recent maintenance of Jasmine Rd., and 28E Agreement with Jefferson County with Mr. Heintz. He suggested the City write a letter to the Iowa Farm-to-Market Review Board justifying designation of 170<sup>th</sup>/John Estle St. in City as farm-to-market. The Council also discussed walking/bike path along 170<sup>th</sup>/John Estle St. and possible funding opportunities from Jefferson County Conservation and REIS grants and possible use of Road Use Tax funds.
3. Approval of Minutes—Postponed.
4. Approval of Receipts and Claims—Hulsebos moved, Boss seconded to approve the report; Ayes: Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
5. Approval of Treasurer’s Report—Postponed.
6. Approval of Annual Finance Report—Goldstein moved, Anastasio seconded to approve Resolution 20231129B Annual Finance Report for Fiscal Year 2023; Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
7. Approval of Annual Urban Renewal Report—Johnson moved, Anastasio seconded to approve Resolution 20231129C 2023 Fiscal Year Urban Renewal Report; Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
8. Approval of Street Finance Report—Anastasio moved, Goldstein seconded to approve Resolution 20231129A Street Finance Report for Fiscal Year 2023; Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
9. Approval of Tax Increment Financing Certification—Anastasio moved, Hulsebos seconded to approve Resolution 20231129D Authorizing Internal Advance of \$25,000 from General Fund for Funding of Urban Renewal Project; Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
10. Consideration of Resolution Opposing Alliant Energy’s Electric Rate Increase—Goldstein moved, Anastasio seconded to support endeavor of City of Decorah in their effort to prevent rate increase as Alliant customer; Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
11. Consideration of Bill Bathgate’s Quote for Solar Filters and Installation—Postponed.

12. Consideration of Applying for Walmart Community Grant for 2023 City Trail System—Goldstein moved, Hulsebos seconded to approve applying for Walmart Community Grant for 2023 City Trail System; Boss, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
13. Consideration of Applying for 2023 ICAP Grant for City Hall Portico Repair—Goldstein moved, Hulsebos seconded to approve applying for 2023 ICAP grant for first phase of City Hall portico repair; Boss, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
14. Consideration to Proceed with Farm-to-Market Appeal for 170<sup>th</sup> St./John Estle St.—Goldstein moved, Hulsebos seconded to approve sending letter to Iowa Farm-to-Market Review Board for farm-to-market designation for 170<sup>th</sup>/John Estle St. in City; Boss, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none.
15. Discuss Artificial Light Pollution—Council discussed concern of City resident with artificial light pollution.
16. Committee Reports—None.
17. Mayor and Council Comments—Mr. Hulsebos reported on a research meeting with Jim Bellalove regarding City Welcome Sign and Mr. Hulsebos will present sign option at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Rogers Badgett adjourned the meeting.

Rogers Badgett, Mayor  
Loraine Przybylski, City Clerk