

MINUTES OF THE TRAEER CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of Traer, Iowa met in regular session on **Monday, September 12th 2022** at 7:00 p.m. at Municipal Hall.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Holden called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with Council Members Rausch, Erhardt, Kennedy and Panfil present. Holst arrived at 7:02pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Rausch, seconded by Kennedy, that the agenda is approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

VISITOR COMMENT

Liz Haldy was present to talk more on her idea to help citizens maintain & update their homes for Traer's 150th anniversary next year. She's gotten the idea from other communities and hopes to see something similar happen in Traer. She presented the council with a packet of information for them to review.

Mark Keefer along with Tracy Hulme were present to discuss Mark's place on the park board. Mark currently is the board chair but would like to step down from that position and would like to see Tracy Hulme take his place. Mark would still serve as a board member just not hold the title of chair anymore. The council will consider making the appointment official at next month's council meeting.

Derek Gaydos who lives at 211 Vista plans to remove his sidewalk in the near future for a landscaping project and hopes to not have to replace it. He feels it's a "sidewalk to nowhere" as it does not extend past his neighbors to the west, and as he stated, the north side of Vista street has a sidewalk that extends the whole block. The council asked him to get some pictures of his property for them to review.

Sierra Hagedon was present for 2 reasons, the first being to follow up on her discussion of a memorial rock in Taylor Park. Sierra was in a few months ago with her uncle Jeff Cizek to discuss the topic and Sierra took the time at this meeting to let the council know that plans are still moving forward and she's been working with Carri Holst to nail down details. Sierra than spoke along with some of her family members about the need for more daycare in Traer. With waiting lists at our local daycare Sierra fears it may be limiting the growth of the community and the school district. Her and her family would like to see North Tama School, the City of Traer, and Pied Piper Preschool & Child Care work together for a solution to this problem.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Panfil, seconded by Rausch, that the minutes of the August 1st, 2022 meeting are approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

MOTION by Panfil, seconded by Holst, that the August Checks (#30084-30159) totaling \$437,186.66, are approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

BEER/LIQUOR PERMITS

MOTION by Kennedy, seconded by Erhardt, to approve a beer/liquor license for Pizza Palace and La Terraza Two. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

CONCERNS/COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Updates to the library roof need to happen. After a few months we finally have a quote from Stanley Roofing, LLC. They gave us a variety of quotes, but knowing the needs and not wanting to "band-aid" anymore the council liked the idea of quote #3 for \$17,260.00. This would provide a full system repair and also comes with a 10 year leak proof warranty. MOTION by Erhardt, seconded by Holst, to approve the Stanley Roofing quote for \$17,260.00 to make appropriate repairs to the library roof. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

MOTION by Holst, seconded by Panfil, to approve RESOLUTION 09-12-22-01 Adopting the Tama County Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

Neighbors on Lockard Street are looking to host a block party on September 18th and would like to have the council's permission to close down the street during that time. Having done it in the past, they are hoping for council approval again this year. MOTION by Kennedy, seconded by Rausch, to allow Lockard Street to be closed on September 18th for a neighborhood block party. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Kennedy wanted to give a shout out to the pool managers for their work this past season. Angie Hallett and Hannah Swanger worked hard to make this season great and Trish wanted to publically thank them. Kennedy also thanked Chris Cooper for all his hard work and time spent up there this summer, the managers and herself greatly appreciate it.

Holst quick mentioned that the Chamber Board is looking to put the Santa House in a new location this year. They are looking to place it on the empty lot between the grocery store and the memorial building only during the Holiday Happenings weekend. Holst just wanted to bring it to the council's attention and make them aware of that change that might be taking place this year.

STAFF REPORTS

Clerk Blaine quick reminded the council that Traer garage sales will be Sept 30th and October 1st with clean up the following weekend. This year unfortunately we will not be getting a Goodwill trailer. Due to previous year's misuse, and mess that was always created, Goodwill will not be bringing one to town.

The council decided Traer Trick or Treating would be October 31st from 5pm-7pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

PETE HOLDEN, MAYOR
HALEY BLAINE, CITY CLERK