

State Center Council Meeting  
Special Meeting Minutes  
April 12, 2021

Mayor Sodders called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. by Zoom. Council attending in person: Wilkinson, Shaffar, Nichols and Darrow. Absent was Quick. Also attending were Mike Kielly and Lori Bearden. Zach Faught and John Wagner also attended by Zoom.

Mayor Sodders immediately opened the Public Hearing to hear comments for and against the proposed FY22 Budget. This is a redo of the process completed March 16<sup>th</sup> as the clerk entered an incorrect date on the published notice. The clerk requested and received an extension of April 15<sup>th</sup> from the Iowa Dept. of Management to file the budget. There were no comments made regarding the proposed budget. The clerk reported there were no written comments delivered to City Hall. Mayor Sodders closed the public hearing. Wilkinson introduced and moved to adopt Res. 21-47 approving the FY22 Budget as proposed and published April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Darrow 2<sup>nd</sup>; Res. 21-47 is adopted 4-0 roll call.

Faught requested approval to hire John Wagner for the summer mowing position and other public works duties as assigned. This will remain a part-time, temporary position with an hourly wage of \$12.00. Motion by Darrow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nichols approving the hire. Motion passes 4-0.

Kielly advised the council that we have the opportunity to have mill/overlay with some full depth patch of the north 100 block of 7<sup>th</sup> St. NW through the County's contract with Manatts under the Farm to Market agreement. The estimate of cost to the City is \$30,000.00. Wilkinson moved to approve proceeding with the project, Shaffar 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passes 4-0.

Motion by Shaffar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilkinson to begin process of purchasing land from Howard & Mae Darrow for improving drainage from the Figgins area along with correcting an error with a previous property transfer between the Darrows and the City. Motion passes 3-0 with Darrow abstaining. The clerk will work with the City Attorney to set a public hearing for said purchase.

There being no further business, Wilkinson moved to adjourn at 6:45 p.m., Darrow 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passes 4-0.

Steve Sodders, Mayor

Attest:

Lori Bearden, City Clerk