BOARD OF TRUSTEE MINUTES – REGULAR SESSION – AUGUST 9, 2021

The Board of Trustees met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. on August 9, 2021, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Chairperson Adam Voigts called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Deb Richardson, Lesley Forbush (via phone), Adam Voigts, Mike Rozga and Lori Smith. Absent: None.

Connie Larson and Janice Strong of the Indianola Hope Foundation asked if the reconnection fee could be waived for non-profits.

The consent agenda consisting of the following was approved on a motion by Richardson and seconded by Smith. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

- Claims list for August 9, 2021.
- July 26, 2021 Minutes.

Rozga moved to approve a rebate for Simpson College in an amount not to exceed $10,000 on the condition the formula for calculating the rebate is provided to the Board at the next meeting and Richardson seconded the motion. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Electric Superintendent Mike Metcalf reported he has met with property owners to discuss the Streetscape Project; and that crews will be working on installing electric duct work around the Square.

Water Superintendent Lou Elbert updated the Board on the 8th Street Water Main project.

General Manager Chris DesPlanques reported four-year television contracts discussed in the July 26 Trustee meeting closed session have been signed.

Rozga introduced Resolution 2021-027 approving the proposal from The Institute for Decision Making at the University of Northern Iowa to develop a strategic plan for IMU. Smith seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Forbush, Richardson, Voigts, Rozga and Smith. NAYS: None. Whereupon the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously. Rozga and Smith asked that a date for the strategic planning meeting be set and the Board notified as soon as possible to ensure that Board members would be able to attend.

In Combined Informational Items, the Board and staff discussed rate comparisons.

It was moved by Richardson and seconded by Smith at 6:28 pm to enter into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. On roll call, the vote was AYES:

Forbush, Richardson, Voigts, Rozga and Smith. NAYS: None. Whereupon the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

At 7:34 pm, Richardson moved, and Smith seconded to exit the closed session. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Forbush, Richardson, Voigts, Rozga and Smith. NAYS: None. Whereupon the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm on a motion by Smith and seconded by Richardson.

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Adam Voigts, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Jackie Raffety, Deputy Clerk