



CITY OF INDIANOLA COUNCIL MEETING

January 29, 2024

6:00 PM

People's Bank Conference Room

500 E Iowa Ave., Indianola, IA

Minutes

Call to Order

The Indianola City Council met in special session at 6:00 PM on January 29, 2024, in the People's Bank Conference Room, 500 E Iowa Ave. Mayor Pro Tem Steve Richardson called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Mellisa Sones, Josh Rabe, Ron Dalby, Steve Armstrong, Christina Beach, Steve Richardson. Absent: Mayor Stephanie Erickson.

Consent Agenda

Council Member Armstrong moved to approve the Consent Agenda - Approval of Claim and Beach seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Sones, Rabe, Dalby, Armstrong, Beach, Richardson. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

The regular meeting was adjourned at 6:01 PM on a motion by Beach and seconded by Dalby. Question was called for and on voice vote the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

The Council then entered a work session to discuss the Fiscal Year 25 budget. City Manager Ben Reeves presented a SWOT analysis performed by City staff. Council and staff then ranked the requests for personnel, CIP and vehicles for the FY25 budget. Mayor Erickson joined the work session. City Manager Reeves reviewed policy items that Council can choose to discuss in the future, including debt levy utilization, COLA policy, HSA contributions, usage of LOST dollars, and expense reduction options. The Council stated that they may be in favor of utilizing the debt levy more, depending on other factors, the majority was in favor of a 5% COLA, and they requested more information on LOST funding and sewer rates. The work session ended at 8:32 PM.

ATTEST:

Stephanie Erickson, Mayor

Jackie Raffety, City Clerk