



CITY OF INDIANOLA COUNCIL MEETING
September 3, 2024
6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
110 N 1st Street, Indianola, IA
Minutes

Call to Order

The Indianola City Council met in regular session at 6:00 PM on September 3, 2024, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Pro Tem Steve Richardson called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Steve Richardson, Christina Beach, Josh Rabe, Ron Dalby, Mellisa Sones, Steve Armstrong. Absent: Stephanie Erickson.

Public Comment

Nicole Duncan-Lutheran, 306 N 17th St., spoke in favor of an ordinance allowing urban chickens.

Spencer Waugh, 204 W Girard, spoke regarding a potential collaboration with the Council.

Consent Agenda

An ordinance regarding the keeping of urban chickens and a resolution authorizing an agreement for medical director services were pulled from the consent agenda. Council Member Armstrong moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Beach seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously. The consent agenda was as follows:

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Claims
- Approval of Minutes of the August 19, 2024, meeting.
- Consideration of the issuance of a renewal refuse hauling permit for T.R.M. Disposal LLC.
- Second consideration of an ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Indianola, Iowa by deleting Chapter 30, Downtown Square Commission.
- Second consideration of an ordinance rezoning property from the R-1 'Single-Family Residential Detached' Zoning District and the R-2 'Single-Family Residential Attached' Zoning District from the A-1 'Agricultural/Open-Space' Zoning District for property located in the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 13, Township 76 North, Range 24 West of the 5th PM, Warren County, Iowa.
- Second consideration of an ordinance amending Chapter 165.09 titled 'Building Design Standards' for the addition of building design alternatives.
- Third consideration of an ordinance to amend speed regulations, establishing a reduced school speed zone on East 2nd Avenue.
- Resolution 2024-196 approving Amendment Number 1 to the School Resource Officer

Agreement pursuant to Chapter 28 between the City of Indianola, Iowa and the Indianola Community School District.

- Resolution 2024-197 authorizing an agreement for cooperative public service between the City of Indianola, Iowa and Warren County, Iowa.
- Resolution 2024-199 approving salaries.

Council Member Beach moved to approve the second consideration of an ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Indianola, Iowa by adding regulations for the keeping of urban chickens within city limits and Rabe seconded it. The council discussed the inspection process outlined in the code. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Beach, Rabe, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: Richardson, Dalby. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion passed.

Council Member Dalby moved to approve Resolution 2024-198 authorizing an agreement for medical director services and Beach seconded it. Fire Chief Chia explained the services the medical director provides and his scope of authority. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Reports

Council Member Richardson gave an Iowa League policy committee update.

Senior Budget Analyst Roxanne Stotler explained fund balances on the treasurer's report. Council Member Dalby moved to receive and file the July 2024 Treasurer's Report and Rabe seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Beach moved to receive and file the July 2024 EMS Billing Activity Report and Armstrong seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report

Council Member Rabe moved to approve the appointment of Teresa Swan Tuit to the Library Board of Trustees to fill a vacancy, for a term beginning immediately and expiring July 1, 2028, and Dalby seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

The Council directed staff to set chicken permit fees at \$80 for the first year and \$40 for each renewal.

Other Business

Bill Mettee, new associate planner, introduced himself to the Council.

City Manager Ben Reeves presented the city facilities planning and vision.

Council Member Beach moved to enter into closed session at 8:13 PM in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)(j) to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental

body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property. Sones seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Sones moved to exit the closed session at 8:46 PM and Armstrong seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken on items discussed in closed session.

Council Member Beach moved to enter into closed session at 8:46 PM 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. Armstrong seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Armstrong moved and Beach seconded to exit the closed session at 9:48 PM. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Richardson, Beach, Rabe, Dalby, Sones, Armstrong. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken on items discussed in closed session.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 PM on a motion by Sones and seconded by Armstrong. Question was called for and on voice vote the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried unanimously.

Stephanie Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jackie Raffety, City Clerk