

**CITY OF IOWA FALLS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 16, 2022**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Iowa Falls met in regular session on Monday, May 16, 2022 with Mayor Michael R. Emerson presiding over the meeting. Council Members Micah Cutler, Michelle Gritsch, Steve Klein, Roger Nissly and Bruce Thies were present. Also present was City Manager Jody Anderson.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

Thies moved and Nissly seconded to accept the agenda as written.  
Vote: Thies, Nissly, Klein, Gritsch and Cutler voting aye.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Nissly moved and Klein seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 18, 2022, Special Meeting of April 27, 2022, Special Meeting of May 4, 2022.  
Vote: Nissly, Klein, Gritsch, Thies and Cutler voting aye.

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY CLAIMS AND FINANCIALS**

Klein moved and Cutler seconded to approve the monthly claims and financials.  
Roll Vote: Klein, Cutler, Thies, Nissly and Gritsch voting aye.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to approve the following items:

1. **Liquor Licenses**

- a. Class B Native Wine Permit for Copper Cupboard Bel Floral.
- b. Class E Liquor License for Casey's General Store at 1225 N Oak Street

2. **Noise Ordinance Variances**

Noise ordinance variance for the Iowa Falls JAM on Friday, May 27, 2022 from 12:00 noon until 11:30 p.m. for music and a dance.

3. **Street Closure Request**

Resolution No 2022- 41 approving the closure of Main Street in front of Albright's Bluff at 119 Main Street on June 4, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. for a wedding.

Roll Vote: Thies, Gritsch, Klein, Nissly and Cutler voting aye.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **4. River Road Utility Extension & Roadway Improvements**

Nissly moved and Klein seconded to approve Pay Request #1 to Gehrke, Inc. in the amount of \$230,969.80.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Klein, Gritsch, Cutler and Thies voting aye.

### **5. Elk Run Bridge Project**

Klein moved and Cutler seconded to approve tree removal work for utility work being done by Boomerang Corporation up to \$30,000 with the funds coming from 80% LOST.

Roll Vote: Klein, Cutler, Thies, Nissly and Gritsch voting aye.

### **6. Airport Projects**

a. Nissly moved and Gritsch seconded to approve payment to McClure Engineering Co. in the amount of \$10,194.41 for construction administration and observation for the Construct Taxiway B Project.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Gritsch, Klein, Cutler and Thies voting aye.

b. Cutler moved and Thies seconded to approve payment to McClure Engineering Co. in the amount of \$11,634.06 for the Construct Taxiway B for work done after the original completion date.

Roll Vote: Cutler, Thies, Gritsch, Klein and Nissly voting aye.

c. Gritsch moved and Klein seconded to approve payment to McClure Engineering Co. in the amount of \$2,119.74 for construction administration and observation for the Rehabilitate Runway 13/31 Project.

Roll Vote: Gritsch, Klein, Nissly, Cutler and Thies voting aye.

d. Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to approve payment to McClure Engineering Co. in the amount of \$18,709.07 for Rehabilitate Runway 13/31 for work done after the original completion date.

Roll Vote: Thies, Gritsch, Klein, Nissly and Cutler voting aye.

### **7. Palisades Barn Project**

Council directed City Manager to get costs on having a structural engineer inspect the barn.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **8. Tree Removal**

Cutler moved and Thies seconded to allow Brandy Duncan to remove a tree in the parking at 1021 Pearl at her expense.

Vote: Cutler, Thies, Klein and Gritsch voting aye. Nissly voting no.

9. **Fire Convention**

a. Gritsch moved and Nissly seconded to approve the request from the Fire Department that participants of the Fire Convention be allowed to use golf carts going to and from the campground area to downtown, using Commercial to East Main to Depot to Rocksylvania and ending at Estes Park on Saturday, September 10, 2022.

Roll Vote: Gritsch, Nissly, Klein, Cutler and Thies voting aye.

b. Klein moved and Thies seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-42 approving the parade route, beginning at Taylor to Siloam, to River, to Washington, to Talbott and ending at Rocksylvania on Saturday, September 10, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Vote: Klein, Thies, Cutler, Nissly and Gritsch voting aye.

c. Thies moved and Cutler seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-43 approving the closure of Stevens Street from Rocksylvania to Washington, Main Street from Rocksylvania to Washington, Estes from Oak to Main and Rocksylvania from Stevens to Main on Saturday, September 10, 2022 from 6:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. for Fire Convention activities

Roll Vote: Thies, Cutler, Nissly, Klein and Gritsch voting aye.

10. **Police Department**

Thies moved and Nissly seconded to approve the purchase of vests and carriers in the amount of \$8,328.00 using \$5,044 from CIP reallocation and \$3,284 from 80% LOST.

Roll Vote: Thies, Nissly, Klein, Gritsch and Cutler voting aye.

11. **Greenbelt Christian Concert**

a. Klein moved and Cutler seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-44 approving street closures around Estes Park for the Greenbelt Christian Concert on Wednesday, August 24, 2022.

Roll Vote: Klein, Cutler, Thies, Nissly and Gritsch voting aye.

b. Gritsch moved and Thies seconded to approve a noise ordinance variance for Estes Park to accommodate the music from noon Wednesday, August 24, 2022 through midnight.

Vote: Gritsch, Thies, Cutler, Nissly and Klein voting aye.

12. **CDBG Program**

Cutler moved and Thies seconded to approve the reimbursement payment to Wiggles & Giggles Daycare Center in the amount of \$11,154.44.

Roll Vote: Cutler, Thies, Gritsch, Klein and Nissly voting aye.

13. **Engagement Agreement**

Cutler moved and Klein seconded to approve the Engagement Agreement with Ahlers Cooney for General Urban Renewal/Economic Development Matters.

Roll Vote: Cutler, Klein, Gritsch, Nissly and Thies voting aye.

14. **Franchise Fees**

a. Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to schedule a public hearing on the amendment of the franchise agreement for natural gas and electricity with Interstate Power and Light Company (Alliant Energy) for the June 20, 2022 City Council meeting.  
Roll Vote: Thies, Gritsch, Klein, Nissly and Cutler voting aye.

b. Gritsch moved and Klein seconded to schedule a public hearing on the amendment of the franchise agreement for electricity with Midland Power for the June 20, 2022 City Council meeting.  
Vote: Gritsch, Klein, Nissly, Cutler and Thies voting aye.

c. Nissly moved and Cutler seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-45 approving and adopting a Revenue Purpose Statement for the use or expenditure of fee revenues from proposed natural gas and electricity franchise fee and scheduling a public hearing on the revenue purpose statement in conjunction with the amended franchise fees for the June 20, 2022 City Council meeting.  
Roll Vote: Nissly, Cutler, Thies, Klein and Gritsch voting aye.

15. **FY2021-2022 Budget Amendment**

a. Mayor Emerson opened the public hearing on an amendment to the FY2021-2022. There were no oral or written comments. Mayor Emerson closed the public hearing.

b. Nissly moved and Klein seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-46 amending the current budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.  
Roll Vote: Nissly, Klein, Gritsch, Thies and Cutler voting aye.

16. **Funds Transfers**

Klein moved and Nissly seconded to approve the transfer of funds from the General Fund in the amount of \$200,000 to 20% LOST and \$250,000 to 80% LOST funds.  
Roll Vote: Klein, Nissly, Cutler, Thies and Gritsch voting aye.

17. **Appointments**

a. Nissly moved and Cutler seconded to approve the reappointment of Jared Knott and Jody Thies to the Board of Adjustment for terms to expire May of 2027.  
Vote: Nissly, Cutler, Thies, Klein and Gritsch voting aye.

b. Gritsch moved and Thies seconded to approve the reappointment of Jim Herzog and Victoria Arndt to the Planning & Zoning Commission for terms to expire May of 2027.  
Vote: Gritsch, Thies, Cutler, Nissly and Klein voting aye.

18. **Library Boilers**

Nissly moved and Cutler seconded to authorize staff to go out for bids for boilers for the library.  
Vote: Nissly, Cutler, Thies, Klein and Gritsch voting aye.

19. **EMS Building**

Thies moved and Klein seconded to approve pay application to King Construction in the amount of \$64,740.12.

Roll Vote: Thies, Klein, Gritsch, Nissly and Cutler voting aye.

20. **Closed Session**

Nissly moved and Gritsch seconded to go into closed session as allowed in Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.j to discuss land acquisition and disposal.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Gritsch, Klein, Cutler and Thies voting aye.

Nissly moved and Klein seconded to go back into open session having taken no action in closed session.

Roll Vote: Nissly, Klein, Gritsch, Thies and Cutler voting aye.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Klein moved and Nissly seconded to adjourn.

Vote: Klein, Nissly, Cutler, Thies and Gritsch voting aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Michael R. Emerson, Mayor



Kaci Elkin, City Clerk