

**CITY OF IOWA FALLS
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 15, 2022**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Iowa Falls met in regular session on Monday, August 15, 2022 with Mayor Michael Emerson presiding over the meeting. Council Members Micah Cutler, Michelle Gritsch, Steve Klein and Bruce Thies were present. Council Member Roger Nissly was absent. Also present was City Manager Jody Anderson.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gritsch moved and Cutler seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2022 and the Special Meeting of July 20, 2022.
Vote: Gritsch, Cutler, Thies and Klein voting aye.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY CLAIMS AND FINANCIALS

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to approve the following items:

1. **Liquor Licenses**
 - a. Class C Beer Permit for Kwik Trip.
 - b. Special Class C Liquor License for Chuong Garden.

2. **IFA Homecoming**

Resolution No. 2022-52 approving the parade route for September 29th beginning at 5:30 p.m. and the closure of Estes from Main to Stevens for Homecoming activities beginning at 5:00 p.m.

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

OLD BUSINESS

3. **Water & Sewer Force Main Improvements**

a. Thies moved and Cutler seconded to approve Pay Request #6 to Vieth Construction Company in the amount of \$62,800.41.

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

b. The Council discussed the project and issues that have arisen. City Attorney Kali Adams was directed to draft a letter to try and solve the problems.

4. **River Road Project**

Cutler moved and Gritsch seconded to approve Pay Request #2 to Gehrke Construction in the amount of \$21,790.34.

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

5. **Palisades East Subdivision**

Klein moved and Cutler seconded to approve Task Order with FOX Strand for the Palisades East Subdivision.

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

6. **EMS**

a. Gritsch moved and Klein seconded to approve pay application for King Construction in the amount of \$92,248.30 for the EMS Building Project.

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

b. Thies moved and Klein seconded to approve adding a full-time paramedic to the EMS staff.

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

7. **Airport Projects**

a. Thies moved and Cutler seconded to approve payment to McClure Engineering Co. in the amount of \$14,365.50 for the Parallel Taxiway B Project.

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

b. Klein moved and Thies seconded to approve payment to McClure Engineering Co. in the amount of \$4,361.75 for construction administration and observation for the Rehabilitate Runway 13/31 Project.

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

c. Cutler moved and Thies seconded to approve payment to ADB Safegate in the amount of \$13,595.98 for work on the beacon at the airport.

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

d. Klein moved and Gritsch seconded to approve Change Order #1 to the Rehabilitate Runway 13/31 Project in the amount of \$2,959.00 for airport beacon installation.

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

e. Klein moved and Thies seconded to approve Change Order #2 to the Rehabilitate Runway 13/31 Project in the amount of \$36,201.35 for storm sewer installation.
Roll Vote: Klein, Thies, Cutler and Gritsch voting aye.

8. **State Fire Convention**

a. Fire Chief Scott Eisentrager gave an update on the State Fire Convention coming to town.

b. Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to approve a noise ordinance for the Fire Convention Campground located at 1201 Commercial beginning September 2 through September 11 until 1:00 a.m. each day for various activities at the campground.
Roll Vote: Thies, Gritsch, Klein and Cutler voting aye.

9. **Building and Zoning Department**

a. Cutler moved and Thies seconded to approve on second reading an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Iowa Falls, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to Building and Zoning Department.
Roll Vote: Cutler, Thies, Klein and Gritsch voting aye.

b. Thies moved and Klein seconded to approve suspension of the rules and placing on third and final reading.
Roll Vote: Thies, Klein, Gritsch and Cutler voting aye.

c. Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to approve on third and final reading Ordinance No. 1168 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Iowa Falls, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to Building and Zoning Department.
Roll Vote: Thies, Gritsch, Klein and Cutler voting aye.

10. **Library Boilers**

Cutler moved and Klein seconded to approve the bid from Reliable 1 in the amount of \$68,283 for replacement of three boilers at the Library with the \$18,283 over the budgeted amount of \$50,000 coming from 80% LOST.
Roll Vote: Cutler, Klein and Gritsch voting aye. Thies voting no.

11. **CDBG-CV Program**

a. Cutler moved and Gritsch seconded to approve payment to Studio Melee for the Albrights Bluff project in the amount of \$5,100.00.
Roll Vote: Cutler, Gritsch, Klein and Thies voting aye.

b. Klein moved and Thies seconded to set date for a public hearing on bids for the Albrights Bluff Project for the September 19, 2022 City Council meeting.
Roll Vote: Klein, Thies, Cutler and Gritsch voting aye.

c. Gritsch moved and Cutler seconded to approve payment to Wiggles and Giggles in the amount of \$8,487.70.

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

d. Klein moved and Cutler seconded to approve the Community Development Block Grant Subrecipient Procurement Policies and Procedures.

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

NEW BUSINESS

12. **River Cleanup**

Jessica Tjarks from the Boat Club discussed a river clean up and what they could do with the trees taken from the river and also any other debris removed from the river. City staff will work with the Boat Club to assist with removal of trees and other debris.

13. **Property Maintenance Focus Group**

Thies moved and Cutler seconded to approve a reduction in the garbage tag price from \$3 per tag to \$1.50 per tag for a two-week time period the end of September with tags only sold for that amount at City Hall and only three sheets will be allowed to be purchased to assist residents in cleaning up their property.

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

14. **Ellsworth Municipal Hospital**

Cutler moved and Thies seconded to accept parcels 892018152008, 892018159001, 892018159010 and 892018159011 located in the area of the old hospital.

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

15. **Metal Tech**

Klein moved and Cutler seconded to deny the request from Joe Longobardi in regard to his TIF reimbursements and directed staff to mail the checks and a letter to Mr. Longobardi explaining that the City has to follow the previously signed agreement.

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

16. **407 Lincoln**

Gritsch moved and Klein seconded to approve the release of the Real Estate Contract with HJCK Properties, LLC.

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

17. **Excessive Strength Sewer User Charges**

Klein moved and Gritsch seconded to approve an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Iowa Falls, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to sewer user charge system.

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

18. **Cargill Treatment Agreement**

The amendment to the Cargill Treatment Agreement was tabled until the amendment is received.

19. **Rezoning – Palisades Property**

Klein moved and Thies seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-53 scheduling a public hearing on the rezoning of the Palisades Property for the September 19, 2022 City Council meeting.
Roll Vote: Klein, Thies, Cutler and Gritsch voting aye.

20. **Sale of Fireworks**

a. Cutler moved and Thies seconded to approve on first reading an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Iowa Falls, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to fireworks.

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

b. Cutler moved and Klein seconded to approve suspension of the rules and placing on third and final reading.

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

c. Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to approve on third and final reading Ordinance No. 1169 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Iowa Falls, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to fireworks.

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

21. **Appointments**

a. Cutler moved and Gritsch seconded to approve the Mayor's appointment of Donna Wubbena and Tom Johnson to the Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeal for terms to expire September 2026.

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

b. Thies moved and Gritsch seconded to approve the Mayor's appointment of Joedy Dennis to the Board of Adjustment for a term expiring May of 2027.

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

22. **Noise Ordinance Variance**

City Manager reported that the agenda was amended without proper notice due to the fact that there will not be a meeting prior to the event. Thies moved and Klein seconded to approve a noise ordinance variance for The 503 on September 9, 2022 until 1:00 a.m. for live music.

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

23. **Closed Session**

Thies moved and Klein seconded to go into closed session as allowed in Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.j to discuss land acquisition and disposal and Section 21.5.1.c to discuss union strategy.
Roll Vote: Thies, Klein, Gritsch and Cutler voting aye.

Thies moved and Klein seconded to go back into open session having taken no action in closed session.
Roll Vote: Thies, Klein, Gritsch and Cutler voting aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Cutler moved and Thies seconded to adjourn.
Vote: Cutler, Thies, Klein and Gritsch voting aye.
The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.



Michael R. Emerson, Mayor



Kaci Elkin, City Clerk