

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 27, 2024

The Shenandoah City Council met in regular session on August 27, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Present were Mayor Roger McQueen and Councilmembers Rita Gibson, Jon Eric Brantner, Kim Swank and Richard Jones. Also present were City Clerk Karla Gray, City Administrator AJ Lyman and City Attorney Mahlon Sorensen. Absent was Councilmember Toni Graham.

Gibson moved; Brantner seconded approving the agenda. Passed unanimously.

Swank moved; Gibson seconded approving the consent agenda that includes: Minutes of the August 13, 2024 Regular Meeting. Passed unanimously.

Jones moved; Gibson seconded approving the Abstract of Claims #2025-04 for \$425,372.48. Passed unanimously.

Swank moved; Gibson seconded approving the third reading of Chapter 92 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to Water rates for Fiscal year 2027 through Fiscal year 2029. Passed unanimously. Swank moved; Gibson seconded to adopt. On roll call, the votes with "Ayes" were Swank, Gibson, and Brantner and votes with "Nay" were Jones. Passed.

Gibson moved; Swank seconded amending Chapter 99 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to Sewer rates for Fiscal year 2027 through Fiscal year 2029, [as recommended by City's Financial Advisor], third reading. Passed unanimously. Gibson moved; Swank seconded to adopt. Passed unanimously.

Gibson moved; Brantner seconded approving the City Attorney to forego the City's interest in the property located at 803 5th Ave. and grant Sanat Bhandari of PKM Management Company six months to rehab the property and have it occupied. Passed unanimously.

After a brief discussion regarding the wording of the proposed resolution on the placement of Travel trailers, camping trailers, motorhomes, portable buildings on runners and storage containers on lots.

Brantner moved; Gibson seconded to table the resolution and asked the City Attorney to rephrase the resolution. Passed unanimously.

Gibson moved; Brantner seconded approving Propane contract with Sapp Brothers Petroleum, Inc. from September 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025 for 6450 gallons at \$1.58/gallon for a total amount of \$10,191.00 [Airport]. Passed unanimously.

Swank moved; Jones seconded approving Pay Application #6 in the amount of \$22,991.90 to Building Crafts for Shallow Wells No. 27 and 28 and authorize the Mayor to execute pay applications. Passed unanimously.

Swank moved; Gibson seconded approving Street Closure request for Shenandoah Community School District on September 13 for the Homecoming Parade [Street closure of W. Sheridan between Railroad St. to Sycamore St./Railroad St. between W. Sheridan and W. Valley Ave./W. Lowell between Railroad St. and Elm St.]. Passed unanimously.

Gibson moved; Brantner seconded approving Rates/Salaries for Part-Time Employee of the City of Shenandoah Public Library [L. Autry; \$9.00/hr; Library Page]. Passed unanimously.

At 6:23 P.M., Brantner made a motion to move the meeting into Closed Session according to Iowa Code 21.5, paragraph C, to discuss strategy with Council in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. Gibson seconded the motion. On roll call, the votes were "Ayes" unanimously. The meeting moved into Closed Session at 6:24 P.M.

At 6:34 P.M., Gibson made a motion to move the meeting out of Closed Session and return the Council meeting in Open Session. Brantner seconded the motion. On roll call, the votes were "Ayes" unanimously. Mayor McQueen announced the meeting was back in Open Session at 6:35 P.M.

Citizens Opportunity to Address the Council—Citizen Julie Herold asked what the minimum square footage requirement is for a new dwelling. Citizen Sue Tysor commented on two businesses operating in the old water treatment building and inquired who to contact to see if they are paying sales tax.

Council/Committee Reports—Councilmember Brantner gave an update on the Shenandoah Public Library.

Items for Future Agenda—Chapter 69 Parking Regulations.

There being no further business, Gibson moved, Jones seconded to adjourn the meeting. The Mayor therefore declared the meeting adjourned at 6:48 P.M. and to reconvene at the next regular council meeting on September 10, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

s/s Roger McQueen, Mayor

s/s Karla Gray, City Clerk/Treasurer