

**CITY OF BETTENDORF**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**JULY 2, 2024**

The City Council of Bettendorf, Iowa met in regular session on July 2, 2024, at 7:28 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Bettendorf City Hall, 1609 State Street, Bettendorf, Iowa. The council meeting was delayed approximately 28 minutes due to severe and threatening weather conditions.

The City of Bettendorf broadcasted this public meeting online at [www.bettendorf.org/YouTube](http://www.bettendorf.org/YouTube).

**Council Members Present:** Adamson, Brown, Jager (virtually), Sechser, Baden, Naumann, Palczynski

**Presiding:** Mayor Robert S. Gallagher

Mayor Gallagher opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an Invocation given by Bettendorf Police Chaplain and Pastor of Hope Baptist Church, Pastor Mark Cannon.

**RECOGNITION**

Bettendorf Transit Operator Karen Carsell-Laake was awarded the Iowa Public Transit Association's Professional Driver of the Year award last month at the 2024 IPTA Annual Meeting and Conference. Mayor Gallagher, Transit Operations Manager Austin Whelan, and Public Works Director Brian Schmidt recognized Transit Operator Karen Carsell-Laake for her accomplishment and presented her with a plaque.

**PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Gallagher read a proclamation proclaiming the month of July, 2024, as 'Parks and Recreation Month' and July 19, 2024, as 'Parks and Recreation Professionals Day' in the Bettendorf community. The proclamation was requested by Culture and Recreation Director Kim Kidwell and received by Ms. Kidwell along with Recreation Manager Liz Solis-Willis and Parks Maintenance Manager Jason Manfull.

**PUBLIC REQUESTS OF COUNCIL**

Trish and Steve Wilger of 3213 Field Sike Drive and Hank Stauffenberg of 3275 Field Sike Drive all addressed the Council with their request that something be done about the neighboring property at Glenbrook Circle North Outlot which is overgrown with noxious weeds and thistles causing damage to their property. Community Development Director Mark Hunt responded.

No one else addressed the Council, and the session was closed.

### **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2024 SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM**

Public Works Director Brian Schmidt gave an explanation of the resolution. Mayor Gallagher asked for any questions from Council. None presented. Mayor Gallagher verified that the Notice of Public Hearing had been published and no written correspondence had been received on the matter. Mayor Gallagher then opened the Public Hearing. No one addressed the Council, and the Public Hearing was closed.

### **RESOLUTION**

Council Member Palczynski presented a resolution approving the plans, specifications, and form of contract for the 2024 Sidewalk Repair Program, and made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Council Member Baden seconded the motion. Mayor Gallagher asked for any discussion from Council. None presented. Roll call vote indicated Brown (aye); Jager (aye); Naumann (aye); Sechser (aye); Baden (aye); Palczynski (aye); and Adamson (aye). The motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PALMER HILLS GOLF COURSE PARKING LOT RESURFACING PROJECT**

Public Works Director Brian Schmidt gave an explanation of the resolution. Mayor Gallagher asked for any questions from Council. Council Members Adamson and Palczynski questioned staff and Mr. Schmidt responded. Mayor Gallagher verified that the Notice of Public Hearing had been published and no written correspondence had been received on the matter. Mayor Gallagher then opened the Public Hearing. No one addressed the Council, and the Public Hearing was closed.

### **RESOLUTION**

Council Member Adamson presented a resolution approving the plans, specifications, and form of contract for the Palmer Hills Golf Course Parking Lot Resurfacing Project, and made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Council Member Naumann seconded the motion. Mayor Gallagher asked for any discussion from Council. None presented. Roll call vote indicated Brown (aye); Jager (aye); Naumann (aye); Sechser (aye); Baden (aye); Palczynski (aye); and Adamson (aye). The motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CROW CREEK PARK PARKING LOT RESURFACING PROJECT**

Public Works Director Brian Schmidt gave an explanation of the resolution. Mayor Gallagher asked for any questions from Council. None presented. Mayor Gallagher verified that the Notice of Public Hearing had been published and no written correspondence had been received on the matter. Mayor Gallagher then opened the Public Hearing. No one addressed the Council, and the Public Hearing was closed.

## **RESOLUTION**

Council Member Baden presented a resolution approving the plans, specifications, and form of contract for the Crow Creek Park Parking Lot Resurfacing Project, and made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Council Member Palczynski seconded the motion. Mayor Gallagher asked for any discussion from Council. None presented. Roll call vote indicated Brown (aye); Jager (aye); Naumann (aye); Sechser (aye); Baden (aye); Palczynski (aye); and Adamson (aye). The motion passed unanimously.

## **ORDINANCE – SECOND READING REGARDING ADOPTING THE DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN UPDATE AND STREETScape PLAN, SUBMITTED BY CITY OF BETTENDORF (CASE 24-024)**

Council Member Sechser presented the second reading of an ordinance amending Title 10 Building and Development of the Bettendorf City Code Chapter 1 Comprehensive Plan Section 10-1-1: Composition by adopting the Downtown Master Plan Update and Streetscape Plan, and made a motion to approve the ordinance at its second reading as presented. Council Member Baden seconded the motion. Mayor Gallagher asked for any discussion from Council. None presented. Roll call vote indicated Brown (aye); Jager (aye); Naumann (aye); Sechser (aye); Baden (aye); Palczynski (aye); and Adamson (aye). The motion passed unanimously.

## **ORDINANCE – SECOND READING REGARDING ADOPTING THE PREMIERING BETTENDORF – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE FOR 2045, SUBMITTED BY CITY OF BETTENDORF (CASE 24-023)**

Council Member Brown presented the second reading of an ordinance amending Title 10 Building and Development of the Bettendorf City Code Chapter 1 Comprehensive Plan Section 10-1-1: Composition by adopting Premiering Bettendorf Comprehensive Plan Update for 2045, and made a motion to approve the ordinance at its second reading as presented. Council Member Adamson seconded the motion. Mayor Gallagher asked for any discussion from Council. None presented. Roll call vote indicated Brown (aye); Jager (aye); Naumann (aye); Sechser (aye); Baden (aye); Palczynski (aye); and Adamson (aye). The motion passed unanimously.

## **ORDINANCE – SECOND READING REGARDING AMENDING THE PREAMBLE TO TITLE 11 – ZONING REGULATIONS, DEVELOPMENT CHARACTER AREA (DCA) AND APPLICABLE ZONING DISTRICTS TABLE, SUBMITTED BY CITY OF BETTENDORF (CASE 24-034)**

Council Member Naumann presented the second reading of an ordinance amending the Preamble to Title 11 – Zoning Regulations, Development Character Area (DCA) and applicable Zoning Districts Table, and made a motion to approve the ordinance at its second reading as presented. Council Member Sechser seconded the motion. Mayor Gallagher asked for any discussion from Council. None presented. Roll call vote indicated Brown (aye); Jager (aye); Naumann (aye); Sechser (aye); Baden (aye); Palczynski (aye); and Adamson (aye). The motion passed unanimously.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Gallagher asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Council Member Naumann made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, and Council Member Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Gallagher asked Council for any questions. None presented. Roll call vote indicated Brown (aye); Jager (aye); Naumann (aye); Sechser (aye); Baden (aye); Palczynski (aye); and Adamson (aye). The motion passed unanimously.

## **SUPPLEMENTAL**

Mayor Gallagher asked Public Works Director Brian Schmidt to give an update on the flood situation. Mr. Schmidt responded accordingly stating that at this point in time the river is expected to crest on Sunday, July 7, 2024, at 20 feet, however, that date and number may change given the recent rain activity. He further stated that his department is ready for any type of flooding event here in Bettendorf. His staff has dropped off over 37,000 sandbags to the residents at Harbor Drive, 2,000 bags to Pleasant Valley Fire Station to support the residents on 245<sup>th</sup> Street, 700 bags to residents at Riverbend Road, and 3,000 bags to Iowa American Water. In addition, Leach Park has been closed and lego blocks have been placed at the entrance. The bulkhead wall will be placed if the river is expected to exceed 21 feet. Lego blocks have also been placed at River Drive and 8<sup>th</sup> Street from curb line of River Drive to the railroad tracks. Staff continues to coordinate with the Iowa DOT and CPKC Rail. Council Member Sechser questioned whether or not state and/or federal funding will be available to help offset the costs of the flood, and Mayor Gallagher and City Administrator Decker Ploehn responded. Mr. Schmidt thanked his staff and other departmental staff that have helped in the flooding efforts.

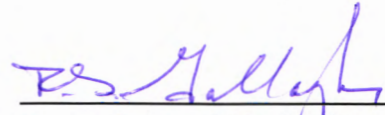
Community Engagement Manager Angie Sharp gave an update on the city's Fourth of July festivities stating that the city is ready for the parade on July 4<sup>th</sup> to start at 10 am, street fest to open at 12 pm, with shuttle service from 12 pm – 9pm, and fireworks at approximately 9 pm. She further stated that in the event of inclement weather the only thing that would be rescheduled is the fireworks that has a rain date of Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. For further information you can visit our website at [www.bettendorf.org/4thofjuly](http://www.bettendorf.org/4thofjuly)

City Administrator Decker Ploehn thanked Assistant City Administrator Jeff Reiter and Culture and Recreation Director Kim Kidwell and their staff for all their work in making the city festival happen.

Council Member Brown made some suggestions to staff regarding the public's requests of council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Council Member Naumann made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Adamson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:09 p.m.

  
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Mayor Robert S. Gallagher

Attest:

  
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City Clerk Decker P. Ploehn

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**JULY 2, 2024**

**ALL ITEMS APPEARING BELOW ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE CITY COUNCIL  
AND SHALL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM SHALL BE  
REMOVED AND DISCUSSED SEPARATELY**

- A. Minutes from June 18, 2024 (Approve and Adopt)
- B. Resolution accepting improvements for the Heatherstone Streambank Stabilization Project. (Approve and Adopt)
- C. Resolution receiving and filing a petition from the residents that live on Pleasant Ridge Court to evaluate street improvements through the Private Roads Policy Betterment Program. (Approve and Adopt)
- D. Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works to issue a purchase order to CDW Government for network switches. (Approve and Adopt)
- E. Resolution approving the final plat of Beck's Subdivision, submitted by Timothy Beck (Case 23-091). (Approve and Adopt)
- F. Resolution approving a site development plan for 4383 53rd Avenue, submitted by Windmill Design Build (Case 24-036). (Approve and Adopt)
- G. Resolution approving a site development plan for Lot 1, FG 80 Holdings Fourth Addition, submitted by Power Wash (Case 24-042). (Approve and Adopt)
- H. Resolution approving a site development plan for 5515 Valley Drive, submitted by Chris Jones (Case 24-045). (Approve and Adopt)
- I. Resolution setting a date for a public hearing amending City Code Sections 8-4-2 and 8-4-4 renewing the Downtown Bettendorf Self-Supporting Municipal District (SSMID) and amending the boundary of said district. (Approve and Adopt)
- J. Resolution authorizing payment of the ESRI Enterprise Agreement License Subscription for the use of ESRI ArcGIS Pro and ArcGIS Online, both for mapping and geolocation resources. (Approve and Adopt)

- K. Resolution approving the Civil Service List submitted for the Police Officer position in the Police Department. (Approve and Adopt)
  
- L. Resolution approving an annual mobile food unit license for Big D's Lil Donuts and Flavor Train. (Approve and Adopt)
  
- M. Resolution approving alcohol license renewals and requests for Tree House Pub & Eatery; Tobacco Outlet Plus #502; Aldi's; Kwik Star #299 (53rd Avenue location); Express Lane Gas & Food Mart (State St location); and Adventurous Brewing. (Approve and Adopt)
  
- N. Resolution approving compensation effective July 3, 2024, for the City Attorney. (Approve and Adopt)
  
- O. Bills (Approve payment and direct City Clerk to issue checks in respective amounts)