

City of Lodi
Common Council Meeting
Minutes –March 15, 2022

Present: Alderpersons Stevenson, Goethel, Ripp, Strasser, Tonn, Mayor Groves Lloyd

Excused: Alder Hansen

Staff Present: Brenda Ayers, Terry Weter

Others Present: Suzanne Miller (virtual), Nancy Long, County Board Supervisor, and Gigi Ripp.

Mayor Groves Lloyd called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM in the Council Room at City Hall, 130 S Main, Lodi.

Roll call was taken –Goethel, Ripp, Stevenson, Strasser and Tonn were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Groves Lloyd skipped the meeting etiquette since no members of the public signed up for public input.

Public Input. None.

Consent Agenda. MOTION (Stevenson, Strasser) to approve the consent agenda items including the minutes from February 16, 2022; Resolution 22-08 Approving Agent Change for Kwik Trip (Kuchta) and Resolution 22-09 Approving Appointment of Additional Election Inspector (Spence). Roll call vote – Aye (Ripp, Tonn, Goethel, Stevenson, Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Columbia County Supervisor Report. Long reported on staff recruitment at the county level and the challenges in competing with the private sector for employees. She further noted that the March 16 County Board meeting agenda includes the use of ATVs and UTVs on County Highways. Groves Lloyd thanked Nancy for her eight years of service as County Supervisor and her service on the Library Board.

Library Report. None.

Resolution Approving Contract for North Substation Upgrade. MOTION (Stevenson, Goethel) to approve Resolution 22-10 Approving Contract North Substation Upgrade. Weter noted that the \$100,000 is in the 2022 budget. Roll call vote – Aye (Tonn, Strasser, Goethel, Ripp, Stevenson); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Authorizing Director of Operations to Apply for TAP Grant. MOTION (Stevenson, Strasser) to approve Resolution 22-11 Authorizing Director of Operations to Apply for TAP Grant. The grant was submitted in January however, due to the late release of the grant municipalities were given until April to submit the resolution. It was noted that the purpose of the grant application is to accommodate pedestrian usage and stormwater flow at the railroad crossing near Dollar General. The grant is an 80/20 match and the estimated project cost is \$425,000. Roll call vote – Aye (Goethel, Strasser, Stevenson, Tonn, Ripp); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Vac Truck. MOTION (Stevenson, Strasser) to approve Resolution 22-12 Authorizing Purchase of Vac Truck. Weter noted the cost of the truck was included in the 2022 Utilities Budgets. The wastewater department will also use monies from the 2018 borrowing to cover a portion of the cost. Roll call vote – Aye (Ripp, Stevenson, Goethel, Tonn, Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Authorizing Use of 2018 Debt Issuance for Repairs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. MOTION (Stevenson, Strasser) to approve Resolution 22-13 Authorizing Use of 2018 Debt Issuance for Repairs at Wastewater Treatment Plant. Weter noted that in 2018 the utility borrowed \$500, 000 and \$231,000 was unspent. He is proposing the use of the unspent monies to fund the projects at the plan. Weter further reported that it was difficult to get companies to

provide bids for these projects. Roll call vote – Aye (Tonn, Stevenson, Goethel, Strasser, Ripp); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Authorizing Dolly Grant Application Submittal for Pickleball Court. MOTION (Tonn, Ripp) to approve Resolution 22-14 Authorizing Dolly’s Fund Grant Application (Pickleball Nets). Roll call vote – Aye (Stevenson, Ripp, Goethel, Strasser, Tonn); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Ice Age Trail Kiosk and Approving Contents of City Panel. MOTION (Ripp, Strasser) to approve Resolution 22-15 Authorizing Purchase of Ice Age Trail Kiosk and Approving Contents of City Panel. Mayor Groves Lloyd reported that he kiosk has been an ongoing discussion of the Parks Committee. The Ice Age Trail Alliance is contributing \$4,000 and the City Parks Development Fund is contributing \$8,947 towards the kiosk, design and installation which will be placed in Doctors Park. Ayers noted that Jennifer Sweeney has worked with Celtic on the City’s panel design. Roll call vote – Aye (Goethel, Stevenson, Tonn, Strasser, Ripp); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Authorizing Director of Operations to Apply for Any Financial Aid that May Be Available from Stewardship Local Units of Government, Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund and Recreational Trails Grant Programs. MOTION (Strasser, Ripp) to approve Resolution 22-16 Authorizing the Director of Operations to Apply for Knowles Stewardship Grants. Weter noted that once the application is submitted the DNR determines which grant program is appropriate. He also noted the grant is for the creek walls. He further reported the dredging permit expired and he was able to have it extended. Roll call vote – Aye (Ripp, Strasser, Tonn, Stevenson, Goethel); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Approving Conditional Use Permit Mural 108 Lodi St. MOTION (Stevenson, Goethel) to approve Resolution 22-17 Approving A CUP Mural 108 Lodi St. The Plan Commission met prior to the Council meeting and recommended approval of the mural. The Plan Commission also removed the size limitation and gave the Zoning Administrator the authority to review and approve any additional mural content without Plan Commission review. **MOTION (Tonn, Stevenson)** to amend the motion to state: to approve Resolution 22-17 Approving a CUP Mural 108 Lodi St *as revised to remove the size limitation and add language to allow the Zoning Administrator to approve future additions/revisions to the mural without Plan Commission approval.* Roll call vote on the amendment to the motion– Aye (Strasser, Stevenson, Goethel, Ripp, Tonn); Nay (0). **Motion carried.** Roll call vote on the amended motion- Aye (Stevenson, Strasser, Ripp, Tonn, Goethel); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Mayor Report. Mayor Groves Lloyd verbally reported on her report attached to the agenda.

Next Meeting Date. Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn. MOTION (Stevenson, Ripp) to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Voice vote- all ayes. **Motion carried.**

Minutes by Brenda Ayers, City Clerk