

CITY OF CROMWELL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CROMWELL PAVILION
WEDNESDAY, December 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Cromwell was held on December 20, 2023 at the Cromwell Park Pavilion.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Sharon Zelazny, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at Roll Call: Mayor Sharon Zelazny, Council Members Lisa Irving, Ed Raisanen, Alex French, and Ray Lally.

Municipal Liquor Store Manager Krysta Konieska, City Engineer John Jamnick, Public Works Director Dustin Homstad, City Clerk Elissa Wilson, and three guests were also present.

Mayor Zelazny welcomed all in attendance.

There was a motion by Lally, seconded by Raisanen, to approve the agenda with the additions of 9.1.b JPJ Invoice #19 and 9.2.a JPJ Invoices #8. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

City Engineer John Jamnick updated the council on the remaining USDA projects and the DNR grant projects.

Motion by Lally, seconded by Raisanen, to approve paying Utility Systems of America Estimate #6 for \$105,486.25. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Motion by Raisanen, seconded by Lally, to approve payment of JPJ invoice # 19 for \$6,202.00. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Motion by Lally, seconded by French, to approve Final Payment Utility Systems of America Estimate #5 for \$45,348.41. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Motion by Irving, seconded by Lally, to approve payment of JPJ invoice # 8 for 1347.50. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Motion by Raisanen, seconded by Lally, to approve Drainage Grant Change order #2. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Motion by Irving, seconded by Raisanen, to approve the consent agenda which included the November 15, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes and the Pavilion Calendar for December 2023 and January 2024. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by French, seconded by Lally to approve the attached financial report. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried

Mayor's Report included:

- Carlton County Resolution No. 23-098 Local road Improvement Program Grant;
- Santa at City Hall;
- Villa Vista Round Table;
- Ice Rink Update;
- Restaurant Update;
- Holiday Seasonal Lights for the Light Poles;
- Introduction of Public Works Director, Dustin Homstad.

Municipal Liquor Store Manager Report included:

- Muni Incident;
- Annual State of MN Analysis of Municipal Liquor Store Operations Report;
- Upcoming Muni Events;
- Customer Appreciation to be held December 23, 2023.

The council acknowledged for review the November 28, 2023 Joint Powers Minutes.

Motion by Raisanen, seconded by Lally to approve the Earned Safe and Sick Policy effective January 1, 2024. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Motion by Lally, seconded by Irving, to approve Ordinance 9.2.08 Certain Animals Regulated. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

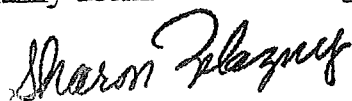
French updated the council on the Split Rock Investing in CD's.

Motion by Raisanen, seconded by Lally, to approve the tobacco licenses for CSS, DG, and the Muni pending successful compliance checks. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

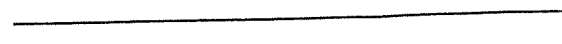
Motion by Lally, seconded by French, to approve the attached 2024 Tax Levy. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Motion by Irving, seconded by Lally, to implement a 3.2% COLA raise for Full-Time Employees effective January 1, 2024. Roll call vote: Yes- Zelazny, Irving, Raisanen, French, Lally; No- None. Motion carried.

Mayor Zelazny declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.



Sharon Zelazny, Mayor



Elissa Wilson, Clerk/Treasurer