

CITY OF IOLA

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A regular meeting of the City Council of Iola was held on May 22, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at the Park Community Building, 510 Park Avenue, Iola, Kansas.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor French called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor French and Council Members Shallah, Peterson, D'Albini, Wicoff, Kinder, Peters, Slaugh, and Lohman were present. Also present were City Administrator Rehder, Assistant Administrator Schinstock, and City Clerk Hutton.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Council Member Slaugh, seconded by Council Member Shallah, to approve the agenda adding a five-minute executive session for non-elected personnel. All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons wishing to address the City Council regarding items on the agenda may do so as they are called. Persons wishing to address the City Council regarding items not on the agenda may do so when called upon. Comments on personnel matters and matters pending in court or outside tribunals are not permitted. Speakers are limited to three minutes. No action will be taken.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes Approval**
 - **May 3, 2023, Special Called Council Meeting**
 - **May 8, 2023, Regular Council Meeting**
- B. Appropriations Approval**
- C. Iola Housing Authority Board Appointment - Ken McGuffin
Iola Public Library Board Reapp - Pam Coons & Marilyn Logan**
- D. Relay for Life Request**

Council Member Kinder motioned to approve the consent agenda adding an Executive Session for Non-elected Personnel. Motion seconded by Council Member Peters. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. ½ Ton Pickup - Bid Award- Toby Ross, Water Plant Superintendent, and Mike Phillips, Power Plant Superintendent, were at the meeting to inform the Council that they had solicited bids for two pickups. They received one bid from Louisburg Ford for \$35,742.73 each.

Motion made by Council Member Peterson and seconded by Council Member D'Albini to accept the bid from Louisburg Ford for \$35,742.73 each for the purchase of two pickups and authorize staff to execute the necessary documents. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. Right-Of-Way Seating & Consumption - Central Business District - Ordinance 3515- Administrator Rehder informed the Council that the Ordinance at their table was sent over to him from Attorney Johnson's Office earlier in the day. There are some corrections that staff need to make to the Ordinance. The Council agreed to have staff make the changes and bring back to a future meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Contract Negotiations - Motion made by Council Member D'Albini and seconded by Council Member Shallah to recess into executive session for 15 minutes pursuant to contract negotiations, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(3). The purpose of the executive session is to prepare for future or current contractual discussions and shall include the Mayor, Council, City Administrator, Fire Chief, and Assistant City Administrator. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 6:34 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

A. Contract Negotiations - Motion made by Council Member Shallah and seconded by Council Member Kinder to recess into executive session for 5 minutes pursuant to contract negotiations, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(3). The purpose of the executive session is to prepare for future or current contractual discussions and shall include the Mayor, Council, City Administrator, Fire Chief, and Assistant City Administrator. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 6:40 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. Non-Elected Personnel - Motion made by Council Member Shallah and seconded by Council Member Peterson to recess into executive session for 5 minutes pursuant to Personnel matters of nonelected personnel, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The purpose of the executive session is to discuss non-elected personnel and shall include the Mayor, Council, City Administrator, Fire Chief, and Assistant City Administrator. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 6:47 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

A. Council Member Peters -

- Council Member Peters had nothing to report.

B. Council Member Lohman—

- Council Member Lohman had nothing to report.

C. Council Member D’Albini—

- Council Member D’Albini stated that the committee looking into establishing warming centers throughout the town had sent letters to non-profit organizations. They want to talk things over with this group of individuals to get feedback on the pros and cons of leaving buildings open for this purpose.
- Council Member D’Albini stated that LKM released dates for the LKM Annual Conference. The event will take place in Wichita October 7-9. He attended last year and plans to attend again this year. He feels it is a great place to discuss other cities' ideas and issues and would encourage all who can do so.

D. Council Member Peterson—

- Council Member Peterson stated that the Farmers Market is looking for a Director. If interested in the job, contact Farm Bureau or the Iola Chamber.

E. Council Member Wicoff-

- Council Member Wicoff reported that the pool looks nice and will open one week from today.

F. Council Member Slaugh—

- Council Member Slaugh asked for the status of the assisted living center at 1336 N Walnut. Administrator Rehder stated they had lost their funding and are seeking another source.
- Council Member Slaugh asked that the Cedearbrook Development be put on a future agenda to discuss looking for a builder before any other large projects are done.

G. Council Member Shallah –

- Council Member Shallah congratulated the employees on their longevity. She noted that Dana Nauretc had 29 years of service to the City. That’s a great accomplishment.

H. Council Member Kinder -

- Council Member Kinder had nothing to report.

I. Mayor French

- Mayor French congratulated Council Member D'Albini on completing his Master's Program this last weekend.
- Mayor French stated that he had a lot of interest in the committee he is forming for discussing a sports complex and finding a funding source. He will talk with Administrator Rehder about the needs and items to consult before giving the committee the go-ahead.

J. Administrator Rehder

- Administrator Rehder had nothing to report.

K. Assistant Administrator Schinstock -

- Assistant Administrator Schinstock had nothing to report.

DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 12, 2023

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 26, 2023

6:54 p.m. Motion made by Council Member Shallah and seconded by Council Member Peterson to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried

It was approved by the City Council of Iola, Kansas, on the 12th day of May 2023.





Mayor Steven French



City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton