

A regular meeting of the City Council of Iola was held on August 8, 2022, 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 Peters, Peterson, D'Albini, Shallah, Slaugh, and Lohman were present. Also present were City Administrator Rehder, Assistant Administrator Schinstock, and Deputy City Clerk Kern. Absent were Council Members Kinder and Wicoff.

## **REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Council Member Peterson and seconded by Council Member Peters to approve the agenda as presented. 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.*

No public comments were made.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes Approval**
  - **July 25, 2022, Council Meeting**
  
- B. Appropriations Approval**

Council Member Shallah made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member D'Albini. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Slope Mower Bid Award - Berkeley Kerr - Parks & Cemetery Superintendent**  
Berkeley Kerr informed the Council that three bids had been received for a slop mower. The lowest bid received was from Red Equipment LLC for a Radio Control mower that is a demo and includes some extra attachments.

Motion made by Council Member Peters and seconded by Council Member Peterson to accept the low bid from Red Equipment. LLC for \$53,000 and authorize staff to execute the necessary documents for the purchase. All in favor. Motion carried.

**B. CDBG-CV3 Grant Closeout Public Hearing - Mayor French** opened the Public Hearing.

Jonathan Goering, Thrive Representative, noted that nine businesses received funding from the grant. There were approximately \$78,000 of unused grant funds.

Mayor French closed the public hearing.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. Trade Secrets - Motion** by Council Member D'Albini and seconded by Council Member Peters to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes according to Trade Secrets, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(4). The purpose of the executive session is to discuss confidential data relating to financial and operational affairs and shall include the Mayor, Council, City Administrator, and Assistant City Administrator. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 6:25 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

**B. Contract Negotiations - Motion** made by Council Member Lohman and seconded by Council Member D'Albini to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes according 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, Assistant City Administrator, and Fire Chief. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 6:44 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Council Member Peterson and seconded by Council Member Shallah to recess into executive session for five minutes according 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, Assistant City Administrator, and Fire Chief. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 6:49 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS**

### **A. Council Member Peters -**

- Council Member Peters stated that he thought a crosswalk at White Boulevard and Cottonwood Street would help alert motorists that college students are crossing the street.

### **B. Council Member Lohman–**

- Council Member Lohman had nothing to report.

### **C. Council Member D’Albini–**

- Council Member D’Albini stated that with college students crossing State Street at Miller Road to go to Walmart, it would be helpful to have a crosswalk at that intersection to alert traffic that pedestrians are crossing.

### **D. Council Member Peterson–**

- Council Member Peterson had nothing to report.

### **E. Council Member Wicoff-**

- Council Member Wicoff was absent.

### **F. Council Member Slaugh–**

- Council Member Slaugh had nothing to report.

### **G. Council Member Shallah –**

- Council Member Shallah reminded everyone that kids would be walking to and from school with the school opening.

### **H. Council Member Kinder -**

- Council Member Kinder was absent.

### **I. Mayor French**

- Mayor French had nothing to report.

### **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, August 22, 2022

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 12, 2022

**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 22nd day of August 2022.



  
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Mayor Steven French

  
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City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton