



CITY OF NEW HOLSTEIN COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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Wednesday, August 16, 2023

6:30 PM

City Hall

The regular monthly meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Richard Snelson, presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Council members Gene Woelfel, Eric Mayer, Norman Propson, Brad Hess, Becca Mosier, Robert Schermetzler, Fran Schmitz (via phone) and Steve Abrams were present at roll call. Others present were Fire Chief Denis Mayer, Administrator Cullen Peltier, Captain Chuck Schroeder, and Attorney Sorenson.

Others in attendance: Mark Sherry, Kathy Schroeder, Ken Irwin, Phil Cosson (Ehlers), and Kayla Thorpe (Ehlers).

It was noted that the meeting was properly announced.

A motion was made by Woelfel, seconded by Mosier, and carried to approve the agenda.

After the Mayor asked for and received a motion to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2023, Council Meeting, a question was raised regarding the language concerning the approval of a bonus for the Deputy Clerk. The City Attorney noted that the minutes must reflect the actual amount that was approved in the open meeting not a reference to the amount discussed in the closed session. A motion was made by Abrams, seconded by Hess to correct the minutes to reflect the actual amount voted on during the open session namely \$1,000.00. The motion to amend the minutes was unanimously passed. Following the motion to add the language to correctly reflect the amount and to remove the reference to the closed session a motion was made by Mayer, and seconded by Hess to have the final draft of the minutes reflect that Lori Beck was awarded a \$1000.00 bonus.

A motion was made by Mosier, seconded by Propson, and carried to approve the Consent Agenda.

Approval of Financial Reports

Invoices, totaling \$419,663.37.

Financial Report as of July 31, 2023.

Approval of License Applications: None

Approval of Park Use and Special Event Applications: None

Reports of Departments and Committees: Police Department Petty Cash - \$49.96; Municipal Court \$2,628.24; Building Permits \$1,858,283; Library Receipt Report \$221.

Minutes: Committee of the Whole, July 19, 2023 & August 1, 2023; Plan Commission, July 19, 2023; Police and Fire Commission, August 8, 2023; Public Library Board, June 12, 2023 & July 17, 2023.

A motion was made by Woelfel, seconded by Schmitz, and carried to approve Ordinance No. 673 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, Section 1.12 – Airport Commission, upon a call of the vote, the vote passed with Mayer, Schermetzler, Mosier, Propson, Hess, Schmitz, Abrams and Woelfel voting Aye.

No action was taken on the approval of the New Holstein Baseball/Softball Association assuming the responsibility of operating the City Baseball Program.

A motion was made by Woelfel, seconded by Abrams, and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Al Depies to the Community Development Authority with a term expiring 8/16/2027.

A motion was made by Schmitz, seconded by Schermetzler, and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Al Steve Settle to the Community Development Authority with a term expiring 8/16/2027.

A motion was made by Mayer, seconded by Propson, and carried to authorize Ehlers to proceed with bank financing for 2023 Capital Projects.

A motion was made Woelfel, seconded by Propson, and carried to adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stats Sec. 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of considering the employment, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body jurisdiction or exercises responsibility and Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating on the investing of public funds and specific business related thereto; wherein for competitive and bargaining reasons a closed session is required.

A motion was made by Abrams, seconded by Mayer, and carried to adjourn the closed session and reconvene in open session:

A Resolution to Create Bonus Compensation for the Police Department was read by Attorney Sorenson. A motion was made by Mayer, seconded by Propson, and carried to approve resolution No. 1537, upon call of the vote, the vote passed with Schermetzler, Woelfel, Abrams, Propson, Mayer, Schmitz, Mosier, and Hess voting Aye.

A motion was made Woelfel, seconded by Mosier, and carried that after reviewing 6 local banks the City move forward with moving our accounts from BMO Harris to Bank First, upon call of the vote, the vote passed with Mayer, Schermetzler, Mosier, Propson, Hess, Schmitz, Abrams, and Woelfel voting Aye. Being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Cullen Peltier

City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer