MINUTES

JUNE 3, 2024

CITY OF SENOIA

MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

505 HOWARD ROAD

6:00PM WORK SESSION

COUNCIL MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

**WORK SESSION**

**COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Pearman, Councilpersons Grover, Foust and Reeder**

**STONEBRIDGE MULTI-USE PATH, PHASE 1**

City Project Manager, Curtis Hindman, updated Council with proposals from PPI and Crawford Grading. Although the PPI proposal is $3800 more than Crawford, Hindman would like to go with the PPI proposal as all of their staff are in house and Crawford uses contractors which can sometimes take longer. Hindman hopes to be finished by November 2024. The City has the necessary deeds for the project.

As there were no further items to discuss in the work session, Mayor Pearman moved into the regular session.

**COUNCIL MEETING**

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1. **WELCOME VISITORS/CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pearman declared this to be an open meeting duly convened under the Open Meetings Law after receiving confirmation from the City Clerk that all legal requirements were met.

1. **APPROVAL OF JUNE 3, 2024, CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

Motion to approve the agenda made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.

1. **APPROVAL OF MAY 6, 2024, CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Motion to approve minutes made by Councilperson Grover and 2nd by Councilperson Reeder. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.

1. **CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY-County/Newberry Bluff a/k/a Silver Springs**
2. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Variance-309 Morgan Street-Reduced lot size and front set back encroachment

Applicant Vernon Boswell, 291 Morgan Street, addressed council. Applicant wishes to reduce lot size in order to sell the house, and keep the garage with the larger lot and property. Mayor Pearman mentioned that if allows to reduce lot size, it would be nonconforming both if zoned residential and/or commercial. Mayor Pearman also states that applicant never received a form COA when building his home. Councilperson Grover doesn’t like how it was approached. No public comment. Motion to deny made by Councilperson Reeder based on the fact that it will be a compound nonconforming lot size and 2nd by Mayor Pearman. Motion passes with 3 votes in favor of denial of variances.

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
2. **Water Plant-Filter Upgrades, presented by Assistant Public Works Director, Jessie Cox**

Presented by Asst. Public Works Director, Jessie Cox. Requested approval of $900,000 in Water Plant Improvements. This is a budgeted item. Funds will come from General Fund. No public comment. Motion to approve upgrade not to exceed $900,000 made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.

1. **Water Plant Surveillance**

Presented by City Project Manager, Curtis Hindman. No comment from council. No comment from public. Motion to approve made by Councilperson Grover and 2nd by Councilperson Reeder. Motion carried unanimously.

1. **Wastewater Plant-install of wifi/wireless-Quality Communication $7,600**

Presented by City Project Manager, Curtis Hindman. SPLOST Project. Will not require budget amendment. No comment from council. No comment from public. Motion to approve Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried unanimously.

1. **Wastewater-security-Quality Communication $43,115**

Presented by City Project Manager, Curtis Hindman. Covers exterior surveillance. SPLOST Project. Will not require budget amendment. Motion to approve made by Councilperson Grover and 2nd by Councilperson Reeder. Motion carried with 4 votes.

1. **Police Department Courtroom Audio/Visual**

Presented by Asst. City Manager, Jeff Fisher. No grants are available on this project at this time. Eventually, we will be able to broadcast meetings/live stream. Motion to approve, not to exceed $100,000 made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried unanimously.

1. **Stonebridge Path-PPI Proposal $176,500/Crawford Propsal $172,650**

Staff recommends PPI Proposal. Motion to accept PPI proposal made by Councilperson Grover and 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried unanimously.

**NO APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR**

1. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
2. Memorial Day Celebration was a success thanks to all of the volunteers who made it possible;
3. Qualification dates June 12-14th ;
4. November 5th election;
5. DDA is seeking volunteers for their events;
6. Alive After 5 was a huge success;
7. Open seat on Planning & Zoning;
8. Seeking volunteers for Parks & Rec.
9. **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn made by Councilperson Grover and 2nd by Councilperson Reeder. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.

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City Clerk, D. Lynn Carter, MMC Mayor, William “Dub” Pearman, III