The Dallas Center City Council met in regular session on May 9, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Mayor Danny Beyer called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present included Amy Strutt, Ryan Coon, and Daniel Willrich. Angie Beaudet was present via Zoom. Ryan Kluss was absent. Also present were City Administrator Cindy Riesselman, City Attorney Ralph Brown, and City Engineer Bob Veenstra.

The consent agenda was amended to add hiring 2nd year lifeguard Mya Williamson at $12.75/hour pending background check and lifeguard certification. Consent agenda was further amended to move the mayor’s appointment of Heather Willrich to the Library Board to a separate agenda item. Motion by Coon, 2nd by Strutt to approve the amended agenda. Motion passed 4‐0.

**Public Comments**

Bob Haxton expressed concerns about over reliance on debt financing.

Julie Becker stated multiple concerns.

Quade Keenan addressed the council regarding the safety hazard of people not stopping at the stop sign at 15th and Walnut.

Willrich stated 359 hours of law enforcement service were provided (320 hours are required) which is 12% above the agreement. Motion by Coon, 2nd by Willrich to approve consent agenda: [Approve minutes of April 11th regular meeting and April 20th special meeting; April Treasurer’s Report, Balance Sheet, and Budget Report; April Law Enforcement, Fire/Rescue, Compliance and Water Reports; Approve hiring Ainslea Schmidt as a back-up Assistant Manager at $14.75/hr while performing those duties; 2nd year lifeguards Zara Bejarno, Ainslea Schmidt, Mya Williamson and Ellie Carlton at $12.75/hour; 1st year lifeguards Neela Williamson and Brycen Wineland at $12.50/hour; and 1st year pool admissions applicants Kahne Westergreen and Aubree Huegerich at $10.50/hour. All lifeguard hires pending lifeguard certifications and all hires pending background checks with start date of June 1, 2023; Establish effective date of April 1, 2023 for the rate increase for Public Works part-time/seasonal employees Mike Buckalew, Devin Schroeder and Scott Deaver to $15/hour; Establish Darla MacConnell effective date for skating rink operator as April 12, 2023; Approve Mayor’s reappointment of Katie Johnston to the Library Board of Trustees, term expires June 30, 2026; Approve Mayor’s reappointment of Ron Steilen to the Tree Board, term expires June 30, 2026; Highway 44 Distribution Main Replacement – Phase 1 - action to approve Pay Estimate No. 1 – Max Smith Construction, LLC - $180,264.59; Outdoor Community Swimming Pool Construction Project – action to approve Payment Application No. 9 – Sande Construction and Supply Co. - $489,329.27; Cross Country Estates Plat 6 Low Pressure Sewer - action to approve Pay Estimate No. 1 – Concrete & More, LLC - $47,395.50; Action to approve renumbering Radon Mitigation Proposal from Resolution No. 2023-12 to Resolution No. 2023-23 due to duplication of resolution numbers; Action to approve 2023 concession stand agreement with Kyle Dirks (review committee Beaudet and Willrich)]. Motion passed 4‐0.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Strutt to approve Mayor’s reappointment of Heather Willrich to the Library Board of Trustees, term expires June 30, 2026. Ayes-Strutt, Beaudet and Coon; abstain-Willrich. Motion passed 3-0.

**Iowa Volunteer Hall of Fame**

Mayor Beyer recognized Bob King with a standing ovation for his induction into the Iowa Volunteer Hall of Fame. King is just one of 175 Iowans honored since 1989 with the most prestigious state-level honor volunteers can receive.

**Swimming Pool Concerns**

Eric Allen addressed the council with his concerns regarding the movement of his home’s foundation from what he feels is due to the pool construction.

**508 D.C. LLC**

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Strutt to approve Resolution 2023-24 –Agreement between the City and 508 D.C. LLC regarding the paving of a portion of the Sycamore Street right-of-way adjacent to 508 14th Street. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

**Friends of the Dallas Center Swimming Pool**

Dusty Rauschenberg made a presentation of 2 donation checks: $210,000 for new pool construction costs and $50,000 (which includes the $16,001 Dallas County Foundation grant) to supplement the $250,000 CAT grant.

**Parks and Recreation Board**

Bob King provided an update on the award of the CAT grant.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Willrich to approve Resolution 2023-25 – CAT Grant Agreement between the City of Dallas Center and the Enhance Iowa Board. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Strutt, 2nd by Coon to authorize ordering of and payment for message board visible from the trail and provided for in the CAT grant application – Park Warehouse LLC for $5,009. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Strutt to approve Resolution 2023-26 – agreement between the City of Dallas Center and mural artist James Navarro. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Strutt to authorize Clerk to issue payment of $7,375 to James Navarro. Motion passed, 4-0.

Motion by Strutt, 2nd by Coon to approve Resolution 2023-27 – façade agreement between the City of Dallas Center and Dallas Mutual Insurance Association. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Strutt to approve Resolution 2023-28 – façade agreement between the City of Dallas Center and J.L.C. Rentals, L.L.C. (Joseph W. Cover). Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Strutt to authorize up to $600 in repairs for the sound system at the skating rink. Motion passed 4-0.

**Planning and Zoning Commission**

City Engineer Bob Veenstra spoke to the specifications needed for the Salt Storage Building which is a specialty building and due to the strength requirements will not comply with the architectural standards. Attorney Brown provided further explanation of the building code.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Willrich to approve Resolution 2023-29 – Architectural Plan for proposed City Salt Storage Building. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

**Public Works**

Public Works Director Brian Slaughter reported they continue to patch potholes and complete normal street maintenance; they plan to repair 15th Street after school is out for the summer; Highway 44 Water Main project is moving along very well; leak detection reports have shown that the Iowa brand hydrants are an issue and need to be replaced; all of the city park’s restrooms are open and prepared for summer; mulch has been completed around new playground equipment at Mound Park; met with Minburn Communications in preparation of their project starting soon; and all city fire extinguishers have had their annual inspections.

**Highway 44 Distribution Main Replacement- Phase 1**

City Engineer Bob Veenstra reported pipe is in and contractor is ready to start making connections. Veenstra indicated that the project should be wrapped up and accepted in July, 2023. No action required at this time.

**Dallas Center Outdoor Community Swimming Pool Construction Project**

City Engineer Veenstra reported work continues to progress and Sande Construction is still hoping to open the pool by the end of the first week in June, 2023. Engineer Veenstra explained the alterations to the pool due to the proceeds from the CAT Grant. Mayor Beyer requested that he be made aware of when a pool ribbon cutting ceremony could be held.

**Cross Country Estates Plat 6 Low Pressure Sewer**

Veenstra stated there is just a little bit of restoration work to be done and the project should be completed and finalized by the June meeting.

**Cross Country Estates Street Improvements/Urban Renewal Area/Assessed Valuations**

City Engineer Veenstra gave an overview of TIF and stated it might be time to “freeze the base”. After speaking with Piper Sandler, Veenstra asked the council to consider alternative options to finance streets in the Cross Developments. Public Works Director reminded the council that this would result in an increase in road maintenance/snow removal. The Council was in general agreement that the City should certify TIF debt in November to capture the TIF funds available from January 1, 2022 to January 1, 2023.

**Northeast Sewer Planning Study**

Piper Sandler and Engineer Veenstra are collaborating to reasonably work out some joint arrangement with the developer. Veenstra explained in detail the 3 options that may be available to finance a lift station.

**Mayor’s Report - Power Purchase Agreement with Red Lion Renewables, LLC**

Attorney Brown and Mayor Beyer have been working with the Red Lion Renewables’ attorney and the final contract will serve the City more efficiently. Red Lion inquired about putting in a car charging station at no additional cost and further information has been requested. Through their research, Mayor Beyer and Attorney Brown discovered MidAmerican hasn’t changed their rate since 2014.

**City Administrator**

Motion by Strutt, 2nd by Willrich to approve Resolution 2023-20 – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds allocation. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Coon, 2nd by Willrich to approve Resolution 2023-22 – amending the City’s personnel policy regarding high visibility clothing for Public Works employees. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

No other council reports were given.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Shellie Schaben, City Clerk

Claims

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| A King's Throne, LLC | Apr Serv | $397.50 |
| Access Granted Systems, LLC | Software | $336.00 |
| Access Systems Leasing | Lease | $366.21 |
| Access Systems | Copier | $44.57 |
| ACCO | Supplies | $550.00 |
| Aetna Behavioral Health, LLC | Benefits | $26.28 |
| Agsource Coop Services | Tests | $903.15 |
| Ahlers & Cooney, PC | Apr serv | $4,060.00 |
| Baker & Taylor Co. | Supplies | $464.53 |
| Bay Bridge Administrators | Insurance | $100.42 |
| Bomgaars | Supplies | $66.97 |
| Book Systems, Inc. | Renewal | $1,210.00 |
| Brenton Arboretum | Trees | $1,478.05 |
| Brown, Fagen & Rouse | Apr Serv | $3,000.00 |
| Brown, Fagen & Rouse | May Serv | $3,000.00 |
| Centurylink | April Serv | $749.38 |
| Cities Digital, Inc. CDI | Laserfiche | $15,750.00 |
| Occupational Health Centers | Testing | $118.00 |
| Concrete & More, LLC | Supplies | $47,395.50 |
| Concrete Impressions, LLC | Concrete | $39,500.00 |
| Crossroads Ag, LLC | Supplies | $189.00 |
| Culligan Water System | Apr Serv | $12.56 |
| Dallas County Treasurer | Apr Serv | $18,538.69 |
| Delta Dental | Insurance | $45.62 |
| Delta Dental | Insurance | $709.18 |
| Digital Stew Services | Apr Serv | $195.30 |
| EFTPS | Taxes | $4,204.03 |
| EFTPS | Taxes | $4,173.54 |
| Electric Pump | Maintenance | $1,500.05 |
| Elite Electric & Utility | Maintenance | $22,818.00 |
| Emergency Medical Products | Supplies | $461.44 |
| Feick's Plumbing | ROW Reim | $500.00 |
| GIS Benefits | Insurance | $49.92 |
| GIS Benefits | Insurance | $34.27 |
| Grainger | Repairs | $81.05 |
| Hawkeye Truck Equipment | Repairs | $1,637.28 |
| Heartland Co-Op | Apr Serv | $1,679.44 |
| Hotsy Cleaning Systems | Maintenance | $188.45 |
| HSA Cory, Rochelle | HSA | $100.00 |
| HSA Riesselman, Cindy | HSA | $329.00 |
| HSA Schaben, Michele | HSA | $412.50 |
| HSA Scrivner, April | HSA | $50.00 |
| HSA Slaughter, Brian | HSA | $300.00 |
| HSA Tiffany, Joshua | HSA | $100.00 |
| IMFOA | Training | $50.00 |
| Iowa Dept Of Transportation | Supplies | $386.70 |
| Iowa One Call | Feb-Mar Serv | $46.80 |
| IPERS | IPERS | $5,998.70 |
| Iron Mountain | Mar Serv | $184.96 |
| Karen McCleary | April Serv | $675.00 |
| Leaf | Copier | $165.81 |
| Eddie Leedom | Apr Serv | $634.94 |
| Linde Gas & Equipment Inc. | Apr Serv | $42.16 |
| Mark's Nursery | Trees | $1,800.00 |
| Max Smith Construction LLC | Pay Est #1 | $180,264.59 |
| Marshall McCalley | Apr. Serv | $4,500.00 |
| Menards | Repairs | $930.48 |
| Micromarking LLC | Audio Books | $97.89 |
| Midamerican Energy | Apr. Serv | $5,658.94 |
| Midamerican Energy | Apr Serv | $5,898.75 |
| Minburn Communications | May Serv | $54.99 |
| Municipal Supply Inc | Supplies | $569.73 |
| Nationwide Retirement Sol | Insurance | $225.00 |
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| Navarro, James | Muralist | $7,375.00 |
| ODP Business Solutions LLC | Supplies | $372.29 |
| Petty Cash-Pool | Pool | $50.00 |
| Quill.Com | Supplies | $80.75 |
| Cindy Riesselman | Mileage | $203.71 |
| Rotary Club of Dallas Center | Dues | $68.02 |
| Le Hunt Jr Enterprises | ROW Reim | $1,000.00 |
| Treasurer - State of Iowa | Taxes | $2,131.41 |
| Treasurer - State of Iowa | Taxes | $1,085.71 |
| Sande Construction Supply | Pool Pay Est #9 | $489,329.27 |
| Sandry Fire Supply | Supplies | $1,340.50 |
| Sonntag Roofing, LLC | Repairs | $445.00 |
| State Hygienic Laboratory | Tests | $40.00 |
| Storey Kenworthy/Matt Parrott | Supplies | $94.48 |
| UHS Premium Billing | Insurance | $639.24 |
| UHS Premium Billing | Insurance | $11,669.69 |
| USA Blue Book | Supplies | $1,084.06 |
| Veenstra & Kimm | Apr Serv | $15,442.26 |
| Verizon Wireless | Apr Serv | $280.07 |
| Treasurer - State of Iowa | Taxes | $1,221.26 |
| Waste Management | Apr Serv | $22,260.84 |
| Waters Edge Aquatic Design | Services | $1,840.00 |
| Wells Fargo | Supplies | $2,288.23 |
| Accounts Payable Total |  | $946,578.11 |
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| General |  | $103,842.01 |
| T&A(SC) |  | $2,500.00 |
| Capital Improvement |  | $97.50 |
| RUT |  | $3,828.53 |
| T&A(EB) |  | $13,226.05 |
| Burnett Project |  | $39,500.00 |
| CAP Improve Pool |  | $511,347.15 |
| Water |  | $33,782.60 |
| Water Capital Outlay |  | $180,264.59 |
| Sewer |  | $57,630.10 |
| Storm District |  | $559.58 |
| Total Funds |  | $946,578.11 |

Revenues

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| --- | --- |
| General Total | $1,353,887.84 |
| T&A(FT) Total | $42,940.32 |
| T&A(SC) Total | $59.26 |
| Capital Improvement Total | $84,239.29 |
| T&A(SL) Total | $1,554.75 |
| RUT Total | $210,486.03 |
| T&A(EB) Total | $154,085.90 |
| Local Option Sales Tax Total | $505,909.85 |
| TIF Total | $191,098.21 |
| Trees Total | $18,273.29 |
| Burnett Project Total | $2,640.62 |
| T&A (Burnett CAP Improve) Total | $62.64 |
| Debt Service Total | $410,115.04 |
| CAP Improve Pool Total | $4,188,552.46 |
| CAP Imprv-American Rescue Total | $135,499.46 |
| T&A(B) Total | $109.94 |
| T&A(Y) Total | $100.40 |
| Water Total | $431,066.30 |
| Sewer Total | $393,606.16 |
| Storm District Total | $49,506.92 |
| Drainage District 76 Total | $193.05 |
| Total Revenue by Fund | $8,173,987.73 |