

CITY OF MONTEVIDEO
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
October 16, 2023

The city council met in regular session Monday, October 16, 2023 in the council chambers at city hall. Council President Schmidt called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present: Bryce Curtiss, Steve Sulflow, Beverly Olson and Nathan Schmidt.
Absent: Dan Sanborn. Mayor Erich Winter present.

Also present: City Attorney Janice Nelson and City Clerk Glennis Lauritsen.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed to approve the agenda, with the following modifications:

MODIFY: 5A) **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 12, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF ~~\$451,643.85~~ \$545,837.84.**

The revised list reflects the following additions:

AIRPORT

Hjerpe Contracting, Inc. - Waterline work	\$ 6,395.00
Werner Brothers, Inc. - Estimate #1/REILS Replacement Project	39,104.85

MISCELLANEOUS

Clearway Community Solar - Solar bills	42,150.14
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PUBLIC WORKS

VanDiest Supply Company - Ice melt, Cleaners	6,544.00
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DELETE: 7D) **CONSIDER RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY TO ABATE NUISANCE AT 319 NORTH 9TH STREET.**

Upon inspection 10/16, the nuisance items had been abated.

ADD: 7F) **CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO MUNICIPAL RUBBISH & GARBAGE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT.**

ADD: 7G) CONSIDER RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GIFTS/GRANTS.

It was moved by Curtiss, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 2, 2023 and Worksession of October 9, 2023, as presented.

4. Notices/Communications/Announcements or Appearance of Interested Citizens.

- None.

5. Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the following consent agenda items:

5(A) VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 12, 2023 IN THE (MODIFIED) AMOUNT OF \$545.837.84.

5(B) SALE OF SEIZED/SURPLUS ITEMS (52 BICYCLES) BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

6. Public Hearings.

- None.

7. General Business.

7(A) FARM RENTAL PROPERTY BIDS.

Bids were received on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 for the farm rental property which surrounds the Montevideo-Chippewa County Airport site and adjacent areas. Bids were to be received for specific parcels for crop years 2024 and 2025. Five (5) bidders submitted bids, which resulted in four (4) successful bidders. A bid tabulation was provided for council's review and consideration. Staff recommended award of bids, as follows:

- Parcel A to Eichhorst Brothers, LLC @ \$200.00/acre for both 2024 and 2025;
- Parcel B to Travis Birhanzl @ \$255.00/acre for both 2024 and 2025;
- Parcel C to Toby Sunderland @ \$305.00/acre for both 2024 and 2025;

- Parcel D to Eichhorst Brothers, LLC @ \$275.00/acre for both 2024 and 2025;
- Alternate 1 to Dusten Williamson @ \$152.00/acre for 2024 & \$162.00/acre for 2025; and,
- Alternate 2 to Dusten Williamson @ \$152.00/acre for 2024 & \$162.00/acre for 2025.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to award the bids as recommended, with the understanding that if any bidder would choose to decline the award, staff is authorized to then offer the lease to the next highest bidder(s).

7(B) NUISANCE ABATEMENT/569 GRAVEL ROAD.

BRYCE CURTISS OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3891, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ABATE A NUISANCE AT 569 GRAVEL ROAD, AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3891 WAS SECONDED BY STEVE SULFLOW. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: BRYCE CURTISS, STEVE SULFLOW, BEVERLY OLSON AND NATHAN SCHMIDT. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 4-0.

7(C) NUISANCE ABATEMENT/208 SOUTH 9TH STREET.

BRYCE CURTISS OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3892, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ABATE A NUISANCE AT 208 SOUTH 9TH STREET, AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3892 WAS SECONDED BY BEVERLY OLSON. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: BRYCE CURTISS, BEVERLY OLSON, STEVE SULFLOW AND NATHAN SCHMIDT. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 4-0.

7(D) NUISANCE ABATEMENT/319 NORTH 9TH STREET - DELETED.

(Upon inspection by city staff 10/16, the nuisance items had been abated.)

7(E) NUISANCE ABATEMENT/533 NORTH 4TH STREET.

STEVE SULFLOW OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3893, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ABATE A NUISANCE AT 533 NORTH 4TH STREET,

AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3893 WAS SECONDED BY BRYCE CURTISS. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: STEVE SULFLOW, BRYCE CURTISS, BEVERLY OLSON AND NATHAN SCHMIDT. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 4-0.

7(F) AMENDMENT TO REFUSE AGREEMENT WITH TOSTENSON, INC.

As a part of its January 9, 2023 meeting, the council had approved a Municipal Rubbish & Garbage Disposal Agreement with Tostenson, Inc. During the contract negotiations, the parties had agreed to include in the agreement a provision for a fee of \$15.00 for temporary discontinuation of garbage services; however, that provision was inadvertently omitted from the agreement. This fee is for “snowbirds” or other temporary vacancies. The \$15.00 to resume service would be collected by the city prior to a receptacle being delivered back to residents and then the city would, in turn, pay Tostenson’s.

It was moved by Curtiss, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the Amendment, as presented.

7(G) ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS/GRANTS.

The following gift was received by the city:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount/Value</u>
Darlene Black	Donation - Montevideo Police Department	\$ 25.00

STEVE SULFLOW OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3894, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GIFTS/GRANTS, AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3894 WAS SECONDED BY BEVERLY OLSON. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: STEVE SULFLOW, BEVERLY OLSON, BRYCE CURTISS AND NATHAN SCHMIDT. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 4-0.

8. Ordinances.

- None.

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9. Discussion and Miscellaneous.

- Council members briefly discussed progress being made on the 2023 Improvement Project.

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

Glennis A. Lauritsen, Secretary

Approved by council November 6, 2023:

President - City Council