

CARTER LAKE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023

The mayor conducted the swearing in ceremony for incoming council members, Jason Gundersen, Jacob Hanika, and Aaron Grell. Their four-year term begins January 1, 2024.

Mayor Ronald Cumberledge called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call of the council, present: Ashley Wilson, Jackie Wahl, Keebie Kessler, Victor Skinner; and Pat Paterson; Clerk Jackie Carl and city attorney Mike O'Bradovich were present.

Upon motion duly made by Kessler, and seconded by Wilson, the council's agenda was approved unanimously minus the November financials which will be part of the approval for January.

New Business: Jack Levell's attorney Joe Thorton was present to request a salvage yard permit per the court order from the case. The council agreed it should be sent to the Planning Board for review. Rick Tice was present to voice his opinion/frustrations with each member of the council except he skipped over for Jackie Wahl, the clerk and Mayor. Tim Mandalfo was present to reiterate his concerns from the past couple of meetings.

Department supervisors: Captain Josh Driscoll updated the council on the success of the Shop with a Hero program. Library Director, Shannon Putnam requested permission from the council to move forward with ordering the rest of the shelving to complete the upgrade. Kessler moved to approve, and Paterson seconded, unanimously approved. Librarian Meggie Schmidt was present to thank the council for allowing her to take the dyslexia training and she is looking forward to working with new students in the library.

Mayor spoke about the DNR notice concerning the storm water and requested the council support to have an attorney review and assist with resolving the matter. The council supported the Mayor's request.

Skinner requested to review the employee policies to remove Council members from the random drug test pool Paterson moved to table for the new council to decide, seconded by Skinner, unanimously approved.

Skinner moved to table Ubiquity's request to have the city sign off on the right of way agreement to the next meeting, seconded by Kessler.

Wahl moved regarding Carter Lake Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan #5: Resolution fixing date for a public hearing on the proposal to enter into a Development Agreement with 10705 South 147th Street, LLC d/b/a Lavigne Enterprises and Patriot Custom Metals, LLC d/b/a PalmSHIELD, seconded by Skinner, unanimously approved.

Kessler moved to approve a second reading of the library board member terms from six years to three years, seconded by Wilson; unanimously approved. Willson moved table the amendment to the random drug testing policy, seconded by Kessler, unanimously approved. Paterson moved to approve the Annual Road Use tax report, seconded by Kessler, unanimously approved.

The city council adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Jackie Carl City Clerk

Ronald Cumberledge, Mayor