

The City Council of the City of Princeton, Iowa met in regular session on Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via a hybrid meeting. The Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Kevin Kernan presided. Roll Call: Present: Stutting, McDonough, Woomert, Wolfe, Kline. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Woomert and seconded by Kline. Roll Call: All Ayes. MC

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Kernan stated that Marijo Anderson could not make it to the meeting as per agenda but will try to attend a future one for an update on the Anderson 400. Mayor Kernan told Council that the City Clerk is not taking the health insurance that is one of the benefits that the City offers to its full time employees. She wanted to know if the City would give her a stipend of \$313.19 per month, instead of the insurance. The Council tabled it and will discuss it at next meeting.

Pending Business:

Norm Nielson from Associated Insurance was in attendance and talked about the ICAP renewal and would answer any questions the Council had regarding the renewal. A motion to renew ICAP insurance was made by Woomert and was seconded by Wolfe. Roll Call: All Ayes, MC. Mayor Kernan asked the Council how the interviews were coming on hiring a new building inspector. Kline stated that he and Stutting were conducting second interviews this coming Wednesday. Mayor Kernan named Jami Stutting, Christina McDonough, Tara Flesch, Monica Silliman and Kim Hildebrand as Trail Committee members. McDonough made a motion to approve Board and was seconded by Stutting. Roll Call: All Ayes: MC. Mayor Kernan appointed Stutting as Council liaison and McDonough as the Princeton Recreation Trails non-profit liaison.

New Business:

Michael Mencarini, National Park Service spoke to the Council. He said that they are working with Princeton Recreation Trails to develop planning recommendations to extend the Mississippi Riverfront Trail and improve community green space opportunities. Faculty and students from the Iowa State University Dept. of Landscape Architecture conducted a site visit and will develop three options for potential trail routes through Princeton. Components of the planning process will include a community survey and mechanisms for soliciting input from local residents and students. Initial conceptual designs are anticipated toward the end of ISU fall semester.

McDonough said the Princeton 5K was a huge success with a record of 103 participants and more

than \$2490 profit for Princeton Recreation Trails. McDonough thanked Tara Flesch, race director along with the Princeton Police Department and Fire Department for all their hard work. Stutting is disappointed in that the Police Department changed the route prior to the event. Wolfe commented on the great job everyone did and what a great event it was for the community.

City Attorney Runnels reported on open meetings and that Freedom of Information Act forms should be available at City Hall. McDonough recommended the FOIA form be made available on the City Website. McDonough requested that the ordinance on meeting postings is updated to include the City Website and Facebook page. Council agreed to add the City Website to the ordinance.

McDonough reported a 2020 Census response rate of 75.1% as of 10/7/2020.

Kline made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2020-29, A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE SALE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS TRUCK and was seconded by Woomert. Roll Call: All Ayes. MC

With nothing further to discuss, the Princeton City Council meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Approved:

Kevin Kernan, Mayor

Attest:

Patty Morgan