

City of Tiffin, Iowa

Meeting:	Tiffin Regular City Council Meeting
Place:	Tiffin City Hall, 300 Railroad Street, Tiffin, Iowa 52340
Date/Time:	March 16, 2021 – 7:00 PM
Web Page:	www.tiffin-iowa.org
Posted:	March 12, 2021 (website & front entry of City Hall)

Mayor:	Steven Berner	City Administrator:	Doug Boldt
Council At Large:	Jim Bartels	City Attorney:	Robert Michael/Crystal Raiber
Council At Large:	Al Havens – Mayor Pro-Tem	City Clerk:	Abigail Hora
Council At Large:	Eric Schnedler	W/WW Superintendent:	Brett Mehmen
Council At Large:	Chris Olney	D. of Public Works:	Brian Detert
Council At Large:	Skylar Limkemann		

Work Session - Call to Order – 6:00 PM

A. Roll Call

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B. Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval

Motion to approve agenda by Schnedler.
Second by Limkemann.
All ayes, agenda approved.

C. Discussion of Fire Department Transition and Timeline for City of Tiffin Fire Chief

Discussion: Mayor Steve Berner does not believe the City should hire a full-time fire chief. Council person Eric Schnedler discussed other funding options like through the building department, and the townships. Council person Chris Olney believes we should have a plan to transition in a few years down the road. Council person Skylar Limkemann is in full support of hiring a full-time fire chief. He wants to ensure we get the right person for the job. Limkemann provides factual data to support this position. Former Chief Brian Detert does not believe the City should hire a full-time fire chief. Current Chief Brad Hill is willing to run the department as a volunteer chief. Council person Jim Bartels likes the idea of advertising for the position but not in favor of a full-time position. Council Person Al Havens does not want to hire a chief and find duties if they are not needed, we should concentrate on compensating the current fire department.

D. Questions from Council Members regarding items on the Regular City Council Agenda

E. Other Business

F. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Olney.
Second by Bartels.
All ayes, meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

- A. Regular Session - Call to Order – 7:00 PM** – This meeting is open to the public through the Iowa Open Meeting Law but due to the current public health emergency (Covid-19) most councilpersons will be participating in the meeting electronically as allowed by the Iowa Code, Chapter 21.
- B. Roll Call**
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- C. Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval**
 Motion to approve agenda by Bartels.
 Second by Schnedler.
 All ayes, agenda approved.
- D. Communications and Reports**
 1. Unscheduled
 If you wish to address the City Council on subjects pertaining to today’s meeting agenda, please wait until that item on the agenda is reached. If you wish to address the City Council on an item **not** on the agenda, please approach the lectern and give your name and address for the public record before discussing your item.
- **If anyone would like to address the City Council but is unable to attend the Council Meeting, you can do so by telephone by calling 319-545-2572 ext. 0 at 7:00 p.m.**
- E. Consent Agenda**
Note: These are routine items and will be enacted by one motion without separate discussion unless a Council Member requests separate consideration.
 1. Approval of City Council Minutes
 Motion to approve consent agenda which includes City Council Minutes by Limkemann.
 Second by Bartels.
 All ayes, consent agenda approved.
- F. Mayoral Proclamation**
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- G. Public Hearing**
 1.
- H. Ordinance Approval/Amendment**
 1.
- I. Resolutions for Approval**
 1. Resolution 2021-020 – A Resolution Approving the Name Change of a portion of Ireland Avenue to Roberts Ferry Road. Motion to table Resolution 2021-020 – A Resolution Approving the Name Change of a portion of Ireland Avenue to Roberts Ferry Road by Limkemann.
 Second by Schnedler.
 All ayes, motion carried.
2. Resolution 2021-021 – A Resolution Approving Alliant Energy to Install the Street Lights within the Ridgeway Heights – Part Two and for the City of Tiffin to Accept Financial Responsibility Thereof. Motion to approve Resolution 2021-021 – A Resolution Approving Alliant Energy to Install the Street Lights within the Ridgeway Heights – Part Two and for the City of Tiffin to Accept Financial Responsibility Thereof by Schnedler.
 Second by Limkemann.

Roll Call: Olney, Bartels, Schnedler, Limkemann, Havens.
All ayes, motion carried.

3. Resolution 2021-022 – A Resolution for the Final Acceptance of the Soccer Field Parking Lot Expansion Project, Tiffin, Iowa – Contractor – LL Pelling Co. Motion to table Resolution 2021-022 – A Resolution for the Final Acceptance of the Soccer Field Parking Lot Expansion Project, Tiffin, Iowa – Contractor – LL Pelling Co. by Bartels.
Second by Limkemann.
All ayes, motion carried.
4. Resolution 2021-023 – A Resolution for the Final Acceptance of the Original Town Urbanization – Phase One. Motion to approve Resolution 2021-023 – A Resolution for the Final Acceptance of the Original Town Urbanization – Phase One by Limkemann.
Second by Olney.
Roll Call: Schnedler, Limkemann, Havens, Olney, Bartels.
All ayes, motion carried.

J. Old Business

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K. Motions for Approval

1. Consideration of Payables List – Motion to Approve by Olney.
Second by Bartels.
All ayes, motion carried.
2. Consideration of Pay Estimate #1 – Carter & Associates, Trail Phase 7 – Motion to Approve by Havens.
Second by Schnedler.
All ayes, motion carried.
3. Consideration of Pay Estimate #4 – Final – LL Pelling, Soccer Field Parking Lot Expansion Project – Motion to table by Schnedler.
Second by Limkemann.
All ayes, motion carried.
4. Consideration of Pay Estimate #11 – Final – LL Pelling, Original Town Urbanization Project – Phase One – Motion to Approve by Olney.
Second by Bartels.
All ayes, motion carried.
5. Discussion and Consideration of Proposal Renewal from the Community Cat League for the Trap-Neuter-Return Program and Council Action as Needed. Motion to approve by Schnedler.
Second by Bartels.
All ayes, motion carried.
6. Discussion and Consideration of Additional Utility Bill Assistance for 819 Jackson Street and Council Action as Needed. Discussion: Motion to disconnect water at 819 Jackson Street on March 17th, 2021 by Schnedler.
Second by Olney.
All ayes, motion carried.

L. Reports to be Received/Filed

1. February Johnson County Sheriff's Report

M. Reports from City Personnel

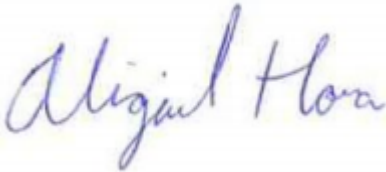
1. Mayor's Report – Nothing to Report
2. City Council Reports – Discussion: Council Person Schnedler reports from a resident that was happy with the spring recreation programs that were offered. Council Person Olney remarks on how the roundabout is coming together nicely.
3. Director of Public Work's Report – Nothing to Report
4. Building Official's Report – Nothing to Report
5. Recreation Director's Report – Nothing to Report
6. Engineer's Report – Nothing to Report
7. City Attorney's Report – Nothing to Report
8. City Administrator's Report – Discussion: City-wide garage sales will be held May 7th- 9th. City-wide clean up day will be held on May 15th from 8:00 am- 11:00 am.

N. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Schnedler.

Second by Limkemann.

All ayes, meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM



Abigail Hora, City Clerk