

## City of Dover Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes March 2, 2023

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dover City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Dave Iseminger in the City Hall as posted.

Present were Mayor Dave Iseminger, Council Members Jaime Putzier, Chelsie Kiekbusch, Kevin Connor, and Eric Tyler, Absent- Gary Pedersen, Clerk/Treasurer & City Engineer Mark Welch, Staff in attendance were Karen Henry, Deputy Clerk. Others in attendance: Mr. Vollrath, Chris and Vicki Arndt, Brian Justin.

The agenda for the meeting was presented. The motion was made by Jaimie Putzier to approve, seconded by Chelsie Kiekbusch. All agreed. Motion carried.

The information received from Mark Welch regarding the bids for the proposed street project.

1. Main street north between Center Street East and Eyota Street/County Road 142
2. Main street south between Eyota Street East/County Road 142 and South Street East

Mark Welch had instructed the council that he would be available by phone if there were any questions or concerns.

The total cost for this project was estimated to be \$325,000.00. The following 3 bids were received:

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| 1. Elcor Construction      | \$374,389.00 |
| 2. Rochester Sand & Gravel | \$354,442.00 |
| 3. Griffin Construction    | \$343,467.60 |

Mayor Iseminger asked if this project should be done in phases or done all at once? He suggested that all the north blocks be completed in full now and the south blocks could be done in phases such as doing the new water and sewer lines now, exclude doing curb and gutter and a new street for a future date.

Jaime Putzier asked how this project would be paid for. Mayor Iseminger stated that the city would probably use our reserves for most of it.

Jaime Putzier suggested that the council table any further discussions or decisions until the next meeting when our City Engineer, Mark Welch, would be in attendance.

The February meeting minutes were presented for approval. Jaime Putzier stated that there was a typo on page 2. The motion was made by Eric Tyler to approve, seconded by Kevin Connor. All agreed. Motion carried.

General Ledge for the period of February 3, 2023, to March 1, 2023, was presented. Two addition checks were added:

1. State Industrial (chemicals) Check # 19215 in the amount of \$1,112.93.

2. Smith/Schafer (part of 2022 audit) Check # 19216 in the amount of \$3,800.00.

Motion was made by Chelsie Kiebusch to approve, seconded by Kevin Connor. All agreed.  
Motion carried.

Clerk Report was presented for discussion. The Charcuterie Workshop is now full. The city will host another one in the future.

Old Business:

2023 and 2024 request for Eyota Ambulance.

Chris Arndt gives a presentation-

- Most calls take 2 to 3 hours.
- 26 people per crew.
- Eyota Ambulance had a total of 277 calls last year.
- Eyota is covering additional parts of Dover and Dover Township now because the St. Charles Ambulance does not exist now.
- The number that is used in their cost formula is the total number of the E911 addresses.
- Medicare only pays \$0.36 on \$1.00.
- With 334 E911 addresses in Dover, the cost for 2024 would be 24,126.46, with the assumption that the St. Charles Ambulance doesn't start up again.
- The City of Dover could set up a special taxing district for this.
- The St. Charles Ambulance has a deadline of May 2024 to decide if they could continue with a viable program.

Mayor Iseminger asked Chris if Eyota Ambulance is prepared in the case St. Charles Ambulance does not come back.

Chris stated that they have enough in the budget for this scenario.

Mayor Iseminger stated that we have allotted \$5,000.00 in our current year's budget for Eyota Ambulance and that we could budget for \$15,000.00 for the year 2024, done in two installment payments of \$7,500.00 each. A motion was made by Jaime Putzier to approve, seconded by Kevin Connor. All agreed. Motion carried.

New Business:

The dates for the city-wide garage sale this year will be May 19 & 20, 2023. This will be the same weekend as Eyota's. Jaime Putzier said she would contact the Woman of Eyota .

Discussion on the use of the community center for a annual Prairefire Children Theatre workshop. K. Forsman, who made the request, would like to use our center for free or at least get a discount. The dates would be July 31 through August 5, 2023, at variable times. We need

to find out what the capacity limit is for the community center. We will contact her asking if she could attend our April Council meeting to discuss her plans, pricing etc.

Police report was presented regarding the damaged pole on Dover's Main Street. No action has been taken at this time.

Kevin Connor will check with the City of Eyota regarding their garbage service. We have 328 houses in Dover.

Chelsie Kiekbusch presented information on the playground equipment project.

- She visited with the salesman who stated that we have several code violations.
- We could reuse the existing pea rock.
- We could have somebody remove the existing structure.
- If we spent \$90,000.00 or over, we could get a discount. Grants available to possibly match.
- \$20,000.00 for removal of base, lead time at the earliest is 6 to 8 months, prices are going up.
- When we order the equipment, make sure we order Splash Pads.
- Chelsie will be receiving more information on designs, and color schemes.
- Kevin Connor volunteered to help with this project.

Mayor Iseminger stated that he is attending the ROCOG Board meetings.

Eric Tyler stated the Dover-Eyota-St. Charles Sewer District is being recognized with their work and efforts on Nitrogen Levels. John Brogan has made changes and his efforts are the contributing factor. Troy Nelson has now left his seat on the sewer district board and his position is being replaced by Tyrell Clark. An increased pay scale was created.

Discussion on the Barbeque Competition scheduled for July 2, 2023, at the Dover City Park. There will be a \$100.00 fee to enter, and the contestants will provide their own meat (ribs or chicken) to be grilled or smoked. The City of Dover will provide the electricity. 5 Judges are needed. If the public would like to do any sampling, they would make a free will donation.

With no further business, Jaime Putzier made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chelsie Kiekbusch. All agreed. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Minutes by

Karen Henry, Deputy Clerk