

**STERLING, COLORADO
OCTOBER 25, 2022**

**STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF LOGAN)ss
CITY OF STERLING)**

As required by the Colorado Sunshine Law, the meeting was posted timely in the City Hall lobby more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting.

Pastor Jodie Harless, Faith Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Desormeaux led the Pledge of Allegiance. The City Council of the City of Sterling, Colorado, met in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, October 25, 2022. Mayor Desormeaux called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Desormeaux
Councilmembers	Gaines Haynie Janes Ritter

Councilmembers absent:

Councilmember	Blecha
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Also present:

City Manager	Blankenship
City Attorney	Richardson
City Clerk	Forbes
Parks, Library and Recreation (PLR) Director	Gandee
Public Works Director	Good
Human Resource Director	Brown
Fire Chief	Ritter
Police Chief	Kerr
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 9

FORMAL MOTION TO APPOINT WARD 1 COUNCILMEMBER:

Mayor Desormeaux made a motion to appoint Stephen Burnham to fill the vacancy in Ward 1. Councilmember Janes seconded the motion. By a five-yes vote, the motion was approved.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO APPOINTED WARD 1 COUNCILMEMBER:

Judge Matthew Bradley gave the oath of office to newly appointed Ward 1 Councilmember Stephen Burnham.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Gaines seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Items on the consent agenda were: October 11, 2022 City Council minutes and Special City Council minutes of October 17, 2022.

COMMUNICATION AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF NON-SCHEDULED CITIZENS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- Head Works update
- Force Main project
- Water and Sewer Line Replacement projects update
- Pavement project update
- Electronic Vehicle Station update
- DOLA grant application
- Fire Pit at Heritage Park
- Trick or Treat Street Event at Recreation Center
- Meet & Greet Candidate Forum
- Jerry Sonnenberg - Logan County Ballot Initiatives Reviews at NJC
- Fall Cleanup Continues
- Sterling Retail Board Meeting –Event downtown on Friday, October 28, 2022, from 3-5 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING – APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT – STERLING ELKS LODGE NO. 1336 – 321 ASH STREET:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council an application for Special Event Permit was filed by the Sterling Elks Lodge #1336 for the Lions Trivia Bowl fundraiser on November 5, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. The application was timely filed and is in proper form and the required fee has been submitted. The premises were properly posted. A letter was sent to the applicant advising of the date of the public hearing and requesting a representative be present at this meeting to answer any questions City Council might have concerning the application.

Present to address Council was Mr. Frank Gower, 321 Ash Street, Sterling Elks Lodge.

Mayor Desormeaux opened the public hearing.

There were no comments.

Mayor Desormeaux closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Gaines made a motion to approve the Special Event Permit for the Sterling Elks Lodge located at 321 Ash Street. Councilmember Haynie seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-3-22, SERIES OF 2022 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STERLING AND STERLING URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO STERLING URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY BY THE CITY:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council the City and Sterling Urban Renewal Authority (SURA) entered into an Agreement dated September 1, 2008, for the City to provide the services of a City employee to perform all functions that are in the purview of the position of Secretary/Bookkeeper for SURA, for which the City is reimbursed by SURA. This Resolution approves a new Agreement with revisions as to certain services and reimbursement provisions. Sterling Urban Renewal Authority shall pay the City \$850.00 per quarter as full and complete compensation for the time that the applicable City employee spends performing services on its behalf.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 10-3-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Ritter seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-4-22, SERIES OF 2022 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM OAK TREE CLASSIC WOODWORKS, LLP FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF AN OFFICE FLOOR PLAN AND FURNISHINGS FOR THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council this Resolution approves the proposal received from Oak Tree Classic Woodworks, LLP for the design and construction of an office floor plan and furnishings for the Finance Department. This project is in the main area of the Finance Department requiring a custom design, construction and installation to accommodate 5 work stations. The \$22,220.30 proposal from Oak Tree Classic Wood works, LLP was the only proposal received that included the required specifications for the floor plan, design, construction and installation of five work stations involved. There are sufficient funds in the General Fund for this project.

Councilmember Gaines made a motion to approve Resolution No. 10-4-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Ritter seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-5-22, SERIES OF 2022 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, ACCEPTING THE BID FROM C & H SPECIAL SERVICES, LLC FOR THE CITY OF STERLING 2022 CONCRETE RECYCLING PROJECT #22-006:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council this Resolution accepts and approves the Bid received from C & H special Services, LLC in the amount of \$79,200.40 for the City of Sterling 2022 Concrete Recycling project #22-006. This is the only bid that was received and the amount is an acceptable amount for the project. The amount is \$79,200.40, and there are sufficient funds in the Public Works Road Repair budget for this project. The material from the project will be used as base course and shouldering material on the streets.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 10-5-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Haynie seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-6-22, SERIES OF 2022 – A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, ACCEPTING THE BID FROM CONCRETE SPECIALTIES AND UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE CITY OF STERLING MANHOLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT #22-007x:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council after re-publishing the request for bids for the City of Sterling Manhole Replacement project #22-007x, the two bids received for this project were from Dream Builders, Inc. and Concrete Specialties and Utilities Construction, Inc. This Resolution accepts and approves the lower Bid received from Concrete Specialties and Utilities Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$68,723.10, which is an acceptable amount for the project. There are sufficient funds in the Public Works 2022 budget for this project.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 10-6-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Burnham seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-7-22, SERIES OF 2022 – A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A PEACE OFFICERS MENTAL HEALTH GRANT THROUGH THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council this Resolution approves and authorizes the City's Police Department to submit an Application for a Peace Officers Mental Health Support Grant through the Colorado Department of Local Affairs. The Grant is in the amount of \$6,000.00 and there is no requirement for matching funds.

Councilmember Gaines made a motion to approve Resolution No. 10-7-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Haynie seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-8-22, SERIES OF 2022 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO APPROVING A TELEPHONE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH CENTURYLINK COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, DOING BUSINESS AS LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council this Resolution approves a contract with CenturyLink Communications, LLC, doing business as Lumen Technologies Group, to continue providing maintenance for the City's telephone equipment. The cost for the one-year maintenance services for the telephone equipment is \$7,944.34, and there are sufficient funds in the Non-Departmental 2022 budget for this cost.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 10-8-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Gaines seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS:

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:

Councilmember Gaines reminded everyone that this is his last Council meeting and thanked everyone.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to accepted the resignation of Councilmember Gaines as of October 31, 2022. Councilmember Ritter seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – FOR A CONFERENCE WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE ON SPECIFIC LEGAL QUESTIONS UNDER C.R.S. SECTION 24-6-402(4)(e) FOR THE DISCUSSION OF MATTERS WHICH MAY BE SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION: DISCUSSION OF THE AGREEMENT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES:

Mayor Desormeaux made a motion to go into executive session for a conference with the City Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e) for the discussion of matters which may be subject to negotiation: discussion for the Agreement for Animal Control Services. Councilmember Janes seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Council went into executive session at 5:58 p.m.

Council came out of executive session at 6:42 p.m.

Mayor Desormeaux advised the participants in the executive session were: City Council, City Attorney and City Manager. For the record, if any person who participated in the executive session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into the executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, she asked that they state their concerns for the record.

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK