

**CITY OF CORNELL  
MINUTES OF COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 19, 2023**

7:00 p.m. Mayor Mark Larson called the regular council meeting to order at the City Council Chambers. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence honoring all individuals that have or are protecting our freedom. Minutes taken by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Rossiter. *DeJongh?* *ASM.1*

Council members present: Steve Turany, Terry Smith, Bill Kvapil, Sandra Schecklman, Debra Semanko and Floyd Hickethier.

Guest present: Ginna Young.

Motion Hickethier, seconded Smith to accept the agenda as printed. Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Hickethier, seconded Smith to approve the regular council meeting minutes of October 5, 2023. Carried 6 ayes.

Ginna Young reported that she is working on a donkey basketball game on January 6, 2024 to fund raise for the July 3<sup>rd</sup> fireworks.

Turany reported on Finance Committee Meetings held October 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Committee reviewed proposals received on recycling services and worked on the 2023 budget. Members of the Library Board attended to inform the Committee of the library functions.

Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to approve Payment Application #2 from Haas Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$247,207.20 related to Riverfront Trail Improvements. Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Hickethier, Seconded Smith to authorize Administrator Clerk-Treasurer DeJongh to pursue a short-term loan of \$400,000 from Northwestern Bank to assist in paying for Bates and North 5<sup>th</sup> Street reconstruction projects. Roll Call Vote Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Schecklman, Seconded Kvapil to have DeJongh pursue a recycling services contract for years 2024-2028 with GFL Environmental Inc. based on the proposals received. Roll Call Vote Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Kvapil, Seconded Smith to approve bills totaling \$121,116.80. Roll Call Vote Carried 6 ayes.

Forthcoming Events.

- Fall Yard Waste Clean-up Oct. 23-27, 2023.
- Trick or Treat 4-6pm Oct 31st
- Trunk or Treat 4-5pm Oct 31st Mill Yard Park
- 2024 Budget Hearing is set for Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023 at 6:30 pm.
- Winter Night Parking Restrictions start November 1.
- City Works Committee Mtg Oct 21 9am to discuss heavy truck traffic on city streets.

Motion Hicketier, Seconded Kvapil to adjourn. Carried 6 ayes.

Adjourned at 7:15 pm

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Date Approved

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Mark Larson, Mayor

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David DeJongh, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer