

CITY OF COLOMA
Regular Commission Meeting
August 14, 2023

The meeting was called to order at Coloma City Hall at 7:30 pm by Mayor Hammond.
Present: Freitag, Hicks, Smith, Mayor Hammond, Clerk Clemetns
Absent: Balkin, Clements

Visitors: Bill Smith, TRoger Jordan, Todd Bohle, Sig Freitag, Sue Hilson, Dar Hajduk,
Harold Bragg, Denise Donahoe

Pledge: Commissioner Churchill led the Pledge of Allegiance to the USA Pledge.
Flag.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Commissioner Hicks seconded by Agenda
Commissioner Freitag to approve the agenda. Yes: Freitag, Hicks, Approval.
Churchill, Smith, Mayor Hammond. No: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Freitag motioned, seconded by Minutes
Commissioner Hicks to approve the Regular Commission Meeting Approval.
minutes from July 24, 2023. Yes: Freitag, Hicks, Churchill, Smith,
Mayor Hammond. No: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

Comments from Citizens and Visitors: Sue Hilson and Dar Hajduk Cash for a
would like to host a Ladies Fashion Show ‘Cash for a Splash’ on October Splash
7, 2023 for a ladies fashion show with a goal to raise \$3,500 at 11:30 AM Fundraiser
at the PPLYC. Tickets will be available around September 1. Their goal is October 7 at
to sell 150 tickets. 100% of the proceeds will be donated towards the 11:30 AM
Splashpad fund. PPLYC.

Harold Bragg wanted to commend the Glad-Peach Award winners.

Roger Jordan and his wife enjoyed the night at the movie at the Salem Lutheran Church

Special Recognition, Commendations, Etc: Mayor Hammond wanted to thank the Star Light Productions / Great Lakes Drone for the drone show that was donated during the Glad Peach Festival. They were “PEACH-tac-ular”. Also thank you to the Jeep Club for being incredible supporters of the community and the Glad-Peach parade and for taking the elected officials through the parade.

Unfinished Business: Commissioner Hicks motioned to approve Resolution 2023-8 for City of Coloma for the Rezoning Application Fee (\$600 per application), supported by Commissioner Smith. Yes: Freitag, Hicks, Churchill, Smith, Mayor Hammond. No: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 2023-8
Rezoning Application Fee Motion Approval.

Mayor Hammond shared that the city of Coloma will now be able to accept credit card payments for water and sewer and tax payments at city hall.

Credit card.

New Business: Commissioner Hicks motioned, to approve \$50,000 of committed money from the Leonard Fund to the Splash Pad project to be completed by March 2028. Donations can be made at City Hall and any donations are considered restricted money for the splash pad project. Yes: Freitag, Hicks, Churchill, Mayor Hammond. No: Smith. MOTION CARRIED.

Committed \$50,000 Money from Leonard Fund to Splash Pad project Motion Approval.

Finance/Insurance: Commissioner Smith shared the bills were reviewed and signed.

Public Works: Commissioner Freitag thanked the public works for their work over the weekend at Glad-Peach Festival.

Police: None.

Clerk: Clerk Clements shared that we had a successful election on August 8 for the city of Coloma and will begin preparing for early voting for the next elections.

Election update.

Ordinance: Commissioner Smith would like to share that the cemetery board is needing to purchase a new John Deere tractor for an amount of \$24,450 to replace an over 25 year tractor they current use that is getting very costly to repair. This was already planned in the budget and

Cemetery update,

Fire Board: Commissioner Freitag shared they did not have the pancake breakfast but did have a smash and bash fundraiser. Roger Jordan shared that there will be some plans to accommodate a Medic 1 ambulance quarters at the Hagar Station with bringing on board Medic 1 to support our community. The plans to cover the cost still need to be determined and how to fund from the contributing communities. Mayor Hammond shared that we are very happy with our transition to Medic 1 ambulance as the primary service. Roger Jordan shared they would like to start working on the joint fire board agreement before it expires in 2024. It was also discussed that those that received the anonymous letter and would like anyone with concerns to reach out to the fire board representatives so

Fire Board update.

items can be addressed. Commissioner Hicks did share that if someone is in a hostile situation or has any morale issues that we have not been involved in we should not judge but we cannot discredit their concerns yet. Commissioner Freitag and Roger Jordan both expressed their openness to talk to anyone who needs to communicate any issues or concerns. Everyone who was

Communications: Clerk Clements wanted to thank Jamie Balkin for the Facebook updates, Rachel Edwards and Maureen Saultzman for their hard work and dedication to the Glad-Peach Festival. Mayor Hammond and Commissioner Freitag shared their appreciation of the whole Glad-Peach board.

Correspondence: None.

Adjournment: Motion by Commissioner Hicks, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adjourn at 8:09 PM. Voice vote. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Clements

Marsha Hammond, Mayor