SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF POSTVILLE, IOWA September 25, 2023

- 1. A special meeting of the City Council of Postville, Iowa, was held in the Council Chambers at 147 N. Lawler St. on September 25, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Koenig presiding.
- 2. On call of the roll, the following Council Members were present: Rebecca Engelhardt, Mary Engstrom and Ross Malcom. Absent: Devora Klein-Mahr and Larry Moore.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

- Council Member Engelhardt made a motion to approve the agenda as posted by the Clerk. Seconded by Engstrom. Carried 3:0.
 * Moore arrived 6:05 p.m.
- 4. Discussion was held on the city budget FY 23/24 the city clerk gave a detailed financial statement of the city funds and the detailed budgeted items in the general fund. Kristy Turner, Postville Child Care Director was present discussion was held on the child care center. Council questioned Turner on how would the center be sustainable once the grant funding was complete? How would the center obtain teachers to grow the numbers of children to make the center sustainable? Council suggested offering the public to make pledges offering a payment plan to make the contributions. The parameters of the wage enhancement grant have not been clear. Council asked if Turner had reached out to other child care center directors to find out what has worked and not worked in their communities. Turner stated the pledges are needed by October 30, 2023 with funding needed by June 2024. The city does budget work in December/January as that is when valuations are given to the City. Council members agreed to assist Turner with reaching out to businesses and County Officials on the investment of child care in the community.

There being no further business on the agenda to come before the Council, Council Member Malcom made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Engstrom. Carried unanimously. Adjournment 7:55 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

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