

**Fertile City Council Minutes**  
**Special Meeting**  
**March 30, 2023**

The Fertile City Council held a special meeting on Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Present were: Mayor Daniel Wilkens, and Council members Mary Kiefert, Amanda Bosman, and Todd Wise. Also present was City Administrator Lisa Liden. The purpose of the meeting was to review the bids for the Community Center project and to call for the Public Hearings necessary for the financing for the project.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wilkens at 6:34 p.m. and began with those present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrator Liden began by noting that five bids had been received on the Community Center project and explained the spreadsheet with the bids listed. All contractors had submitted a base bid and then a bid on alternates one and two. Alternate one was for added insulation of the roof and alternate two was for the installation of handicap doors on the south entrance. Liden noted also that the low bid would be determined by whether or not Council decided to move forward on the alternates.


After a brief discussion of the matter, Council member Bosman made the motion to move forward on the project and to include both alternates. The motion was seconded by Council member Wise and was carried.

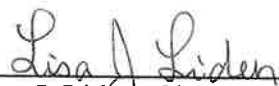
The next item was the process on accepting the bids given the fact that the Public Hearing process needed to be completed before the bids could be formally accepted. Liden then reviewed the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Public Hearing process that the City would have to follow since General Obligation bonds would have to be issued. She noted also that a separate hearing needed to be held since two non-profit organizations were located in the Community Center. That hearing would be held immediately following the CIP hearing that was slated for Thursday, April 20, 2023.

After discussion of the bids, a motion was made by Council member Wise to accept the bid from Christiansen pending the approval of the bond funding and to defer to the Ledgestone bid if Christiansen backed out of the project due to timing. The motion was seconded by Council member Kiefert and was carried.

A motion was made by Council member Kiefert to proceed with the bond funding process and to hold the required Public Hearings on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council member Bosman and carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 on a motion by Council member Kiefert.

  
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Daniel Wilkens, Mayor

  
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Lisa J. Liden, City Administrator