

OTTUMWA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING NO. 33  
Bridge View Center, 102 Church Street

December 18, 2023  
5:30 O'Clock P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

Present were Council Member Hoffman, McAntire, Pope, Roe, Galloway and Mayor Johnson.

Pope began by apologizing to the citizens of Ottumwa for her unforeseen absences over the past two years; felt threatened and attacked publically with a petition requesting her resignation. Thank-you for the opportunity to serve this community. I will remain committed to the well-being of Ottumwa, but as of today, I will be stepping down as a city council member.

Roe stated it was an appropriate thing for Pope to do and it takes a lot of courage to say what she did.

McAntire moved, seconded by Pope to approve agenda as presented. All ayes.

Galloway moved, seconded by Roe to remove Res. No. 205-2023 from the table. All ayes.

Galloway moved, seconded by Hoffman that Res. No. 205-2023, Awarding RFP – Cedar Creek Golf Course Operations, to Adam Wilson with A.A.W. Golf Group, LLC, of Ottumwa, Iowa, be passed and adopted. Galloway stated, both Adam and his father Greg Wilson, have made valuable contributions to the course and have the vision and potential to grow it even further; emphasis on the community, communication and service and growth was impressive during his presentation. Hoffman agreed and stated it would be hard, in his opinion, not to choose who is currently there, providing the service now. All ayes.

Mitch Niner discussed the golf course decision made by council fifteen years prior; and how he admits he voted wrong.

Mayor Johnson inquired if anyone from the audience wished to address an item not on the agenda. Kinyotta Pope voiced her concerns on the display of bullying by adults within the community against council person Pope. Everyone should be treated fairly; feels that this is an attack against her character. If council was really about change, they would not be trying to force someone to resign.

There being no further business, McAntire moved, seconded by Roe that the mtg. adjourn. All ayes.

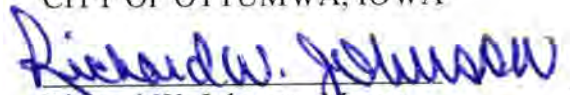
Adjournment was at 5:47 P.M.

ATTEST:



Christina Reinhard, IaCMC, City Clerk

CITY OF OTTUMWA, IOWA

  
Richard W. Johnson, Mayor

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