

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, MARCH 3, 2020
CITY COUNCIL
TROY BEATTY, MAYOR, PRESIDING

The City Council of the City of Evansdale, Iowa met in regular session, according to law, the rules of said Council and prior notice given each member thereof, in the Council Chambers of City Hall of Evansdale, Iowa at 6:00 p.m. on the above date. Council members present in order of roll call: Walker, Dewater, Seible, and Bender. Absent: Beam. Quorum present.

Seible/Walker to approve the March 3, 2020 agenda. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Dewater to approve the following items on the consent agenda. a. Approval of February 10, 2020 special meeting minutes and February 18, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Roll call vote: Ayes-four.

McClure Engineering: Wastewater Treatment Plant: Mayor Beatty stated that McClure was tasked to revamp our focus with reasonable options that would best suit the city moving forward with the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) improvements and came up with the three options for council to consider including the following: Option 1: Pump Station to Waterloo at current WWTP site with the estimated project cost to be \$7.4 million. There had been some modifications to the original AECOM plan relocating where the pipe would connect which was a large savings for the city. Option 2: Renovate Existing WWTP with Nutrient Removal with estimated project cost at \$10.9 million. This plan included Aerobic Granular Sludge Treatment System for the nutrient removal, which is a newer system in the states, but has been utilized for over 20 years in Europe. Option 3: New WWTP with Nutrient Removal with estimated project cost at \$13.8 million. He also discussed the possibility of utilizing Gross-Wen Technologies for the nutrient reduction portion of the upgrade. The City of Waterloo is discussing the possibilities of Evansdale combining with them as well as discussions with the DNR regarding said connection. Councilor Dewater stated his concern with the Waterloo connection, as he was told by a Waterloo councilman, that the combination of the two plants wasn't on their radar. Scott Strader, 1515 W. Gilbert Dr., stated that the City of Cedar Falls was also reviewing combining with the City of Waterloo, as the WWTP isn't working efficiently without additional waste to treat. Mayor Beatty responded that he had attended meetings with INRCOG with other members of the cities that would be involved and that a governance/technical committee would be formed to handle the details. Derek Anderson, McClure Engineering, stated that the capital impact for Evansdale would have to be determined before the City would move forward. Councilor Walker questioned when the DNR will approve the no-rise certification. Mr. Anderson responded that when the upgrades are completed to include the SCADA system and the standby power that would meet the city's obligation for the 10- and 25-year flood levels. He also stated that the city would need to decide within the next couple months on how they wanted to proceed to stay in compliance with the current DNR timeline, however, McClure would meet with the DNR to discuss Evansdale's plans and timeline.

Seible/Bender to approve Resolution 6386 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Walker/Dewater to open the Public Hearing for the Max Levy at 6:25 p.m. Proof of publication on file no public comments received. Mayor Beatty stated the max levy would be reduced by 15% with a levy rate of 7.94. Dewater/Seible to close the public hearing at 6:26 p.m. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Dewater/Walker to approve Resolution 6387 approving the maximum tax levy for FY2020/2021 annual budget. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Seible/Dewater to approve Resolution 6388 setting March 17, 2020 as the date of public hearing on the proposed FY2020/2021 budget. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Dewater/Bender to open public hearing for the Disposal of City Property at 6:27 p.m. Proof of publication on file no public comments received. Mayor Beatty stated that when the property was sold in 2012 that a public hearing or passing of a resolution wasn't completed. Walker/Bender to close public hearing at 6:29 p.m. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Seible to approve Resolution 6389 approving the Disposal of City Property. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Walker/Dewater to approve request to install LED lighting at the Community Response Center in the amount of \$16,450. Mayor Beatty stated the light replacement was budgeted for FY21 however the quote came in lower so we would like to complete the replacement now savings the city close to \$10,000 in cost, rebates, and utility cost reductions. Councilor Dewater questioned if a rebate would be received. Beatty responded yes. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Dewater/Bender to approve request from Pony Express Riders of Iowa to hold annual collection point (Lafayette/Evans intersection) and parade on Friday, April 10, 2020 at about 3:00 p.m. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Walker to approve request to extend the Elk Run Heights and Gilbertville Library contracts through June 30, 2021. Mayor Beatty stated that the city wanted to wait for the 2020 Census numbers to complete another 3-year contract. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Seible to table request to have Council consider reciprocation of UTV fees with the cities of Elk Run Heights and Raymond as the city would consider adding ATV's to our ordinance as well. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Public Discussion: John Peverill, 543 East End Ave., stated that didn't advise placing a boat ramp at the River Road location as it isn't deep enough. Councilor Seible questioned if we would review that area again for ramp placement. Mayor Beatty responded yes. Councilor Dewater questioned if we should consider the Deerwood option. Beatty responded not at this time.

Mayor/Council Reports: Councilor Seible stated that we should get the word out that the city really went to work for the residents of this city to reduce the budget.

There being no further discussion, Dewater/Seible to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Troy Beatty, Mayor

DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk