

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, MARCH 20, 2018
CITY COUNCIL
DOUG FAAS, 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: Bender, Walker, Loftus, and Seible. Absent: Dewater. Quorum present.

Walker/Loftus to approve March 20, 2018 agenda. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Dewater/Seible to approve the following items on the March 20, 2018 consent agenda: a. Approval of March 6, 2018 regular meeting minutes. b. Accept and place on file the minutes and reports from the following Departments, Boards, and Commissions (n/a = not available): Ambulance & Fire Report (Feb), Building Inspection Report (Feb), Clerk/Treasurer Report (Feb), Code Enforcement Report (Feb), Evansdale Municipal Housing (Feb), Library (Feb), Parks & Rec Dept. (Feb), Planning & Zoning (Jan), Police Dept. (Feb), Storm Water Commission (n/a), and Water Works (Feb). Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Walker/Loftus to approve Resolution 6203 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Seible/Walker to approve Resolution 6204 fixing compensation for Paramedic Jenica Hehir. Mayor Faas welcomed Jenica to the city. Councilman Seible questioned the increased compensation from previous paramedic. Mayor Faas responded that it was the same. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Walker/Bender to approve request from Boys & Girls Club for annual support in an amount of \$2,500 as budgeted for FY18. Brenda Vavroch, Director Boys & Girls Club of Evansdale, thanked the council for the support and explained how the funds would be utilized. Councilman Walker stated that the funds given by the city would be utilized at the Evansdale club. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Walker to approve request from Mayor to enter into an agreement with Clappsaddle-Garber Associates, Inc. of Cedar Falls, Iowa for the Angels Park Bridge Engineering construction phase in the amount of \$10,000 and authorize the Mayor to sign said agreement. Councilman Seible questioned the placement of the bridge. Mayor Faas responded that it will be discussed with the park board, engineer, and contractor at the park board meeting on April 2nd. He also stated that there would be additional costs to keep it where the causeway is now, and that it was designed by the engineers with a somewhat westerly location. Seible also questioned the fee scale given by the engineer. Mayor Faas responded that it's a federal project, engineers must observe and approve the construction process. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to approve request from Learn & Play Preschool for a curb cut located at 120 Clark Street. Mayor Faas explained the curb cut and parking. Mark Atkins, 909 3rd Ave., questioned if Fred at Pronto would also be allowed to cut his curb. Mayor Faas responded totally unrelated item. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to approve request from Public Works Director to purchase a Godwin Dri-Prime Model Automatic Self-Priming Diesel Pumpset from Central Service & Supply, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$34,744 to be shared between Public Works and Waste Water. Councilman Seible questioned why the council didn't receive two bids. Mayor questioned Chris Schares if more bids were sought. Chris Schares, Public Works Director, responded that he had acquired five bids, but this was the only pump that would actually perform the task. Mark Atkins, 909 3rd Ave., questioned how many hydraulic pumps we still had.

Chris stated that the city had two pumps and neither of the pumps would handle the task. Mark questioned where they went. Chris responded that he wasn't here. Councilperson Bender questioned for clarity; would the pump bid we received achieve the job at hand. Mayor responded yes. Ayes-Three. Nays-One (Seible). Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to approve request from Public Works Director to purchase a 2018 Chevrolet Silverado from Karl Chevrolet's through the Iowa State bid program in the amount of \$40,304.80. Mayor Faas discussed the current vehicle status and the need for another vehicle. Councilman Seible questioned why the truck was a four-door. Mayor Faas responded that when they have meetings they would like to take one vehicle instead of two. Councilman Seible questioned why only one bid was received and that the Chevrolet truck had a higher initial state bid. He also stated that he would like another quote possibly a Ford or a Dodge as well, and that we need to be conscience of taxpayer's money. Chris Schares, Public Works Director, stated that there were six state bids from Chevrolet, Dodge, GMC, and Ford and this was the least amount of the five. Councilperson Bender asked if going forward, we would bring two to bids for council's review. Mayor Faas responded yes and that this state bid expired in two days. Mark Atkins, 909 3rd Ave., questioned the options. Chris responded with the options needed. John Peverill, 543 East End Ave., questioned why the city didn't purchase a 2017. Jeff O'Brien, 939 McCoy Rd., questioned why the city utilized a state bid. Mayor Faas responded the state bid discount is over \$10,000. Loraine Atkins, 625 River Forest Rd., questioned why bids were not received and opened in a public meeting. Mayor responded that is a process for a city project. Ayes-Three. Nays-One (Seible). Motion carried.

Walker/Bender to approve authorization for Mayor to proceed with interviewing and hiring process for new fulltime position shared by Waste Water, Parks, and Streets. Mayor Faas stated that they would hire a grade II laborer with the contingency that he would achieve a waste water grade I within a year. Councilman Seible questioned who would manage the employee. Mayor Faas responded the Public Works Director would be his immediate supervisor and would work with the other divisions on time management. Councilman Walker questioned if the Mayor had spoken with Tom Nichols regarding the position. Mayor Faas responded yes. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Walker to approve Ordinance 659 approving adoption of the proposed Code of Ordinances of the City of Evansdale, Iowa, in its third reading. John Peverill, 543 East End Ave., questioned if modifications could be made to new ordinance regarding junk car as Planning and Zoning is reviewing that ordinance in the future. Mayor Faas responded that ordinances are often modified. Mark Atkins, 909 3rd Ave., questioned if the wording on accessory buildings would be amended to its original language from several years ago. Mayor responded no. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Loftus/Walker to adopt Ordinance 659 approving adoption of the proposed Code of Ordinances of the City of Evansdale, Iowa. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

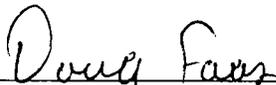
Public Discussion: non-agenda items: Loraine Atkins, 625 River Forest Rd., wasn't in favor of the Water Works raising their fees to build up funds and didn't understand why city employees at the Library were selling tickets for private developer's fund-raising projects. Mark Atkins, 909 3rd Ave., questioned where the engineering fees for the Angels Island Bridge would come out of. Mayor responded the general fund. John Peverill, 543 East End Ave., questioned why engineer fees weren't included in the initial contract for the bridge project. Mayor responded that he had a conversation with the engineers regarding just that. Mark questioned why the engineers would be involved. Mayor responded it is a federal project and their presence is required.

Mayor/Council Reports: Mayor Faas stated Doris Drive construction and Angels Island Bridge project both to begin, weather permitting, April 16th. He also stated that he was going to request the parks department meet at the island to discuss the placement of the bridge. Councilman Seible questioned the

negative balance in the fire dept other equipment fund after we had received a grant to offset the cost of the monitor. He also questioned if we had discussed providing the ambulance department with electric cots and seek funding to purchase. Councilman Walker stated that you must look at both sides of the electric cots, you must consider that they are 40 lbs. heavier than the regular cots. The Mayor stated the cost difference of the cots is only \$2,000, but that the department was still reviewing options. Councilman Seible also questioned what the additional expenses would be for the Arbutus lift station and if waste water has a plan of action for maintenance on all the lifts stations. Mayor Faas responded that we are only repairing the necessary items to keep all things running efficiently until the upgrade plan is in place. Public Works Director Schares stated that they were currently working on issues at the plant, but maintenance has been completed on a regular basis. Seible stated that Waterloo & Cedar Falls are discussing a regional plant plan and working with INRCOG on the details. Mayor responded he had been involved in the initial planning and Waterloo wasn't interested at that time. Councilman Seible also questioned if additional grants for the fire department would be sought. Mayor Faas responded yes.

There being no further discussion, Walker/Seible to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:



Doug Faas, Mayor



DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk