

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, APRIL 5, 2022
CITY COUNCIL
DEANNE KOBLISKA, 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: Seible, Osborne, Smock, Nichols, and Beam. Roll call vote. Ayes-Five.

Beam/Seible to approve the April 5, 2022 agenda. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Beam/Seible to approve the March 15, 2022 regular meeting minutes and January 11, 2022 special meeting minutes. Roll call vote. Ayes-Five.

Hearing: Aten Nuisance Abatement. Ms. Aten wasn't present; however, she had requested a two-week continuance. Seible/Nichols to extend a one-time continuance of two weeks. Councilor Nichols questioned if she would continue to come up with continuances. Councilor Smock questioned how many continuances that the city would allow. Josh Moon, City Attorney, stated that the city could limit the number of continuances allowed. Councilor Osborne questioned if she had been allowed several opportunities in the past to come into compliance. Smock suggested that we allow the one two-week continuance. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Smock/Seible to approve of the Consent Agenda – All items listed under the consent agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion: a. Revised: Request from Pony Express Riders of Iowa to hold annual collection point (Lafayette/Evans intersection) and parade on Friday, April 15, 2022 at about 3:00 p.m. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Beam to approve of the Resolution Calendar – All items listed under the Resolution Calendar will be enacted by one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion. a. Resolution 6596 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Councilor Seible questioned if we were trying a better cold patch. Chris Schares, Public Works Director, responded yes. Roll call vote. Ayes-Five.

Beam/Osborne to table request from Mayor to enter into an agreement with Bolton & Menk regarding the River Rd. Water Trail Access Project in the amount of \$20,900. Mayor Kobliska stated that there may be additional funding opportunities for the water trail program and that she was requesting council table action. Councilor Seible stated that he wasn't recommending this project. Councilor Nichols stated that once flooding was present it would compromise the boat ramp. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Beam to approve request from Mayor to enter into an agreement with Bolton & Menk regarding the Central Ave. Rehabilitation Project Evans to Dodge in the amount of \$24,000. Mayor Kobliska stated that currently, as of today, we have \$1.1 million in road use funds that must be utilized for road use only. Councilor Osborne questioned the Lafayette Road project. Kobliska stated that we couldn't begin the Lafayette project until October of 2023. Councilor Seible questioned if the sewer lines would be televised before the project began. Kobliska responded yes. Councilor Nichols questioned if the project would include grinding down the existing concrete. Kobliska responded that it would be a mil and overlay only. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Smock to approve request from Chief Dean to approve the Student Resource Officer Agreement with the Waterloo Schools. Mayor Kobliska stated that Chief Dean and I had met with the SRO manager and stated that she was interested in signing a 2-year agreement with the 1st year at 3% and second year at 5%. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Smock/Beam to approve request from Fire Chief to replace damaged clothing from Flying J hazardous spill in the amount of \$4,496.99 with Sandry Equipment (city reimbursed by Flying J/Pilot). Kobliska stated that the city was reimbursed 100% for the expense. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Beam/Seible to approve request from Fire Chief to hold a breakfast event at the Community Response Center on the 18th of September. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Osborne to approve request from Mayor to discuss city's 75th Anniversary celebration and schedule for the 17th of September. Mayor Kobliska stated that it was the city's 75th anniversary and that we should hold celebration in honor of 75 of service. Councilor Nichols questioned the dollar amount that would be requested. Kobliska responded that there wasn't a dollar amount at this time, but we had budgeted \$2,500 toward fireworks that may be used as another resource. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Beam to approve request from Mayor to sign agreement with PeopleService in the amount of \$13,814 – 2nd year of contract. Mayor Kobliska stated that there was an increase in the agreement due to CPI increase. She also stated that the staff had been great and working with us on the WWTP rehabilitation. Councilor Beam stated that PeopleService had been in contact with him and always willing to look at every avenue to save the city money. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Beam to approve request from Animal Control Officer Adams to be reimbursed for NACA training in the amount of \$644. Councilor Seible stated that he was in favor of the education opportunity, however, it should be approved by council beforehand in the future. Councilor Smock suggested that an agreement be made with Adams stating she would continue employment with the city and reimbursement the city if she left employment before two years of service. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Beam/Smock to approve request to approve low bid in the amount of \$108,485.75 for the sewer lining on Miner/Saunders with Municipal Pipe Tool Co., Inc. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Beam to approve the consideration of updating the city's purchasing policy. Mayor Kobliska stated that the city currently had policies as required to participate in federal and state programs, however, if council so chooses, we can create a unique city policy. Councilor Osborne stated that she had reviewed a couple policy's and wanted to have a policy that encompassed every day events within the city. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Osborne/Seible to approve the consideration to amending Code of Ordinance regarding manufactured homes. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Public discussion: Non agenda items. Kelly Parker, Marion St., stated that she voiced her opposition to the tax increase. She reviewed Iowa Dept of Managements website and the FY22 tax rate was 6.37 proving that our tax rate increased by 24%. She also stated that according to State of Iowa Code section 384.16 that only the city clerk could certify the budget. Mayor Kobliska questioned if Ms. Parker would like her to pull the hard copy of the budget from FY22 for her reference in the tax increase. No response was received by Ms. Parker. Laura Benson, Michigan Ave., stated that several of the multi-residential units are not receiving the opportunity to recycle. Councilor Beam questioned if it providing recycling was the owner's responsibility. Councilor Smock questioned the cost of recycling cans to residential properties. Kobliska responded that it is currently free for the 1st recycle can and the 2nd one would cost \$60, residential only. Denny Wilson, Central Ave., stated that he understood the increased cost of installing a boat ramp on River Rd., however, he asked if council would consider installing rock at the current boat access to stabilize the ground, so the area isn't compromised. Bruce Givens, Eldene Crt., stated that they do make a product that is used in hog confinement buildings, that could be set in the water to have access to the river. Councilor Beam questioned how far we could get involved without the DNR getting involved. Councilor Seible questioned if we could review our options for River Rd. or Deerwood boat access. Jeff O'Brien, stated that if we had some type of oversight at Deerwood that

would allow the boat dock there to be utilized and not closed so early in the season.

Mayor/Council Reports: Councilor Seible stated that he appreciated the street department working at patching streets throughout the city, as it was really making a big difference on the streets. Councilor Beam stated that he wanted to commend the police department for more activity on the streets. Councilor Nichols wanted to address a complaint regarding speeding on Mc Coy Rd. Seible questioned if someone was working on the dike as there was some construction materials on the west side of the dike

There being no further discussion, Seible/Osborne to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

DeAnne Kobliska, Mayor

Justin Smock, Mayor Pro tem