

CITY HALL  
EVANSDALE, IOWA, APRIL 17, 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. Councilors present in order of roll call: Loftus, Dewater, Seible, and Bender. Absent: Walker. Quorum present.

Loftus/Dewater to approve April 17, 2018 agenda. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Dewater/Seible to approve the following items on the April 17, 2018 consent agenda: a. Approval of April 3, 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 (March), Building Inspection Report (March), Clerk/Treasurer Report (March), Code Enforcement Report (March), Evansdale Municipal Housing (n/a), Library (March), Parks & Rec Dept. (March), Planning & Zoning (Feb), Police Dept. (March), Storm Water Commission (n/a), and Water Works (March). Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Presentation from Dan Oltragge with Impact Outdoors stated the mission and basis of Impact Outdoors in our community and that the organization was donating a bicycle tire repair station to be placed on Cedar Valley Nature Trail in Evansdale. Seible/Bender made motion to accept the donation. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Loftus/Dewater to accept and place on file resignation from Chad Borwig, Water Works Board of Trustee as of April 6, 2018. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Loftus/Dewater to approve the appointment of Water Works Board of Trustee member Fred Morris with term expiring 12/31/2023. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Bender to approve Resolution 6209 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Councilor Seible questioned invoices to repair the street sweeper. Public Works Director, Chris Schares, stated that the brushes do wear and will need to be replaced every three years costing approximately \$600. Seible also questioned the K-9 invoice for exam and detailing of the K-9 squad car. Police Chief, Jeff Jensen responded that since Officer Dean would be taking on the full-time responsibility of Officer Sali, he approved a final examination. He also stated that the K-9 vehicle would be put back into service for the department and needed to be detailed as well as the K-9 stickers removed. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Dewater/Loftus to approve Resolution 6210 approving final payment #9 (Release of Retainage) to Vieth Construction Corp. of Cedar Falls, IA, for the River Forest Road Levee Trail Project in the amount of \$12,433.49. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Dewater/Loftus to approve Resolution 6211 approving change order #1 to Vieth Construction Corp. for the 2017 Street Maintenance and Patching-Doris Drive Project in the amount of \$16,050. Councilor Seible questioned why traffic controls were not part of the original estimate. Mayor Faas responded that they were, but it was for flag personnel only and with the truck traffic full time lights are needed at that intersection. There was a short recess in the council meeting to gather information on amount of the original bid. After reviewing the original bid information the Mayor stated that they had allocated \$3,300 for traffic control and that amount will be deducted from the cost of the project. Mayor Faas also stated that the cost is actually \$2,100 per week and it is only anticipated to need the traffic control for three

weeks. Seible stated that he only wanted to approve for the three weeks needed and that the figure we are approving is inflated. The Mayor responded that the estimate is a not to exceed cost and we would only be billed for the time that was needed. Councilor Bender questioned if it would extend past the six weeks as quoted. Mayor Faas responded no, that the area that the signals are needed is only one portion of the project. Dewater stated that we would not be paying the estimate up front, but that it is a not to exceed value and that it was an efficient way to process the request. Roll call vote: Ayes-Three. Nays-One (Seible).

Dewater/Bender to approve request from Public Works Director to have a minimum of one possibly two applications of calcium chloride applied on temporary road for the Doris Drive Project in an amount not to exceed \$750. Mayor Faas stated the application will help solidify the bypass for the truck traffic. Public Works Director, Chris Schares stated that he requested this application for assurance that the road would be solid. Councilor Seible questioned why this wasn't approved in original bid as well. Schares responded that it was not an item that is usually included, but with the extreme truck traffic in that area I needed assurance that it was going to be safe. Jason Martin, 925 Jones Rd., questioned why they didn't use limestone. Schares responded that they were, but this covers the limestones and makes it hard. Ayes-Three. Nays-One (Seible). Motion carried.

Dewater/Bender to approve Resolution 6212 setting date of public hearing for FY2018 budget amendment. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Seible/Dewater approved request from Public Works Director to purchase 12.37 ton of cold patch in an amount not to exceed \$1,800. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

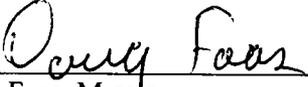
Discussion: Prohibition on Discharge of Storm Water & Ground Water to City Sanitary. Mayor Faas stated that the draft given to council was prepared by our City Attorney, Laura Folkerts, of a proposed ordinance for Prohibition on Discharge of Storm Water & Ground Water to City Sanitary for the councils review. City Attorney, Laura Folkerts stated that there are comments throughout the draft that were modified from the Clear Lake and Cedar Falls ordinances, and she wanted council's feedback on two items regarding the surcharge for not coming into compliance and building permit fee. She stated that the fee/fines would range from \$50/\$100 per month if the homeowner didn't comply with the ordinance. She explained that the intent of the surcharge was to offset the added cost of treating the water unnecessarily. She also questioned if the council would waive the fee for the building permit if resident were coming into compliance and what time frame would the council allow the resident to come into compliance. Mayor Faas stated that in some of the ordinances he reviewed there was language that if a resident had sold their home and ownership was being changed that a stipulation for inspection be added before utilities would be changed. Councilor Dewater stated that it was a good idea for compliance checks, he also questioned if the surcharge was based on any real costs. Folkerts responded no, not that she was aware of. Dewater also questioned if we would charge a flat fee for the permit. Mayor Faas responded that he was in favor of waiving permit fees. Dewater questioned a phrase used under the restrictions section regarding seepage collection systems "Beaver Drain" was a brand name. Folkerts questioned if there was a better way to describe it. Dewater responded infiltration collection system would be a better way to describe it.

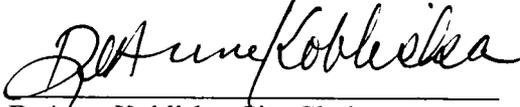
Public Discussion: non-agenda items: Loraine Atkins, 625 River Forest Rd., questioned the consistency of removing Planning & Zoning Members who weren't attending meetings and that she was concerned about the disrespect shown to residents during a council meeting. Mayor Faas responded, after questioning P & Z Chair Sandy Clements that a letter was sent out to the other member and if a response wasn't received they would be removed at the next meeting. Councilor Seible, stated that he was receiving the same kind of feedback regarding public meetings.

Mayor/Council Reports: Mayor Faas stated Doris Drive construction has been delayed due to the weather and that the Angels Island Bridge project has been delayed due to absence of materials. He also stated that the Evansdale Community Days was set for the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> of July with a social event/fireworks on Friday night, parade beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, kids free events uptown beginning at 11:00 a.m., mud volleyball, and a fireman's dance to be held on Saturday as well. Sunday's events to include a color run sponsored by the Boys & Girls Club at Meyers Lake, a worship service at the same location and water ball fights, mostly for kids, at the Community Response Center in the afternoon. If you are looking to do something positive for the community, volunteers are needed. The Mayor also stated that we are having some additional issues at the Arbutus Lift Station. An impeller needed to be replaced on pump one and we needed a verbal motion for an amount not to exceed \$13,000 to have it replaced. Council gave a verbal agreement. Councilor Dewater questioned the progress on developing the ground across the street. Faas responded that he had requested quotes from three realtors, only one responded with an amount of \$10,000, which he thought was a little steep. He stated that he would contact other sources in the next week. Dewater also questioned the prospect of the clinic. Faas responded that he hadn't heard from UnityPoint but would touch base with them as well. Councilor Seible questioned a street sweeper purchase in the newsletter. Clerk Kobliska responded that it was a Scribner's error. Seible also questioned if the city is contacting our state representatives to promote the retention of the back-fill dollars. Faas responded that he had not been involved and we have not been budgeting for it. Seible also stated a request for code enforcement to give updates on the progress of the abatement of nuisances and also requested that code enforcement be consistent with the residents that have nuisances to be abated as he believes several violations within the city are not being addressed. He also questioned the severity of complaints about his 4x6 trailer when other areas of the city are not being addressed. Mayor responded that code enforcement is largely driven by complaints about a nuisance. We are actively pursuing the nuisances in the city, but it takes time, He also stated that he had received 3 voicemail complaints regarding Seible's trailer, and personally contacted Seible to move it and when he didn't respond asked code enforcement to give him a warning.

There being no further discussion, Loftus/Dewater to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. Motion carried.

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Doug Faas, Mayor

  
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DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk