

CITY HALL  
EVANSDALE, IOWA, APRIL 19, 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: Osborne, Smock, Nichols, Beam (by telephone), and Seible. Quorum present.

Nichols/Seible to approve the April 19, 2022 agenda. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Osborne to approve the April 5, 2022 regular meeting minutes as amended by showing that Councilor Beam recused himself from voting on lining project with Municipal Pipe Tool. Roll call vote. Ayes-Five.

Nichols/Smock to approve the Approval 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. 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 (n/a), Evansdale Municipal Housing (Feb/March), Library (March), Parks & Rec Dept. (March), Planning & Zoning (Oct), Police Dept. (March), Storm Water Commission (n/a), Wastewater (March), and Water Works (March). Ayes-Five. Motion Carried.

Seible/Beam to approve 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 6597 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. b. Resolution 6598 approving tax abatement for 947 W. Gilbert Drive. c. Resolution 6599 approving bank signatories. Kelly Parker questioned current signatories for signing checks and how many signatures were required on a city check. Mayor Kobliska responded that current signatories are Justin Smock and Myself and 2 signatures are required on each check. Roll call vote. Ayes-Five.

Seible/Osborne to approve request from Chief Dean to allow an exception in union contract Section 12.7, maximum compensatory time not to exceed maximum hours of 120, in lieu of overtime, until an additional officer is hired. Councilor Seible asked for an explanation. Explanation was given by Mayor Kobliska. Councilor Osborne questioned if it was a temporary amendment with union contract. Kobliska responded yes. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Nichols/Seible to approve request from Amvets Post #31 to purchase and maintain the installation/removal of flags on Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, and Veterans Day in the amount of \$1,016.62. Mayor Kobliska thanked the Amvets for appearing at the meeting and asked if they would like to address the request. John Mills, Marshall Amvets Post #31, stated that at one time the Amvets took over placing the flags out for all flag-oriented holidays. The Amvets asked the city to take over the purchase and placement of the flags going forward. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Osborne to table request for approving the Deed of Dedication for Eagles Landing Development and authorize the Mayor to submit final documents to Black Hawk County Auditor. Mayor Kobliska went through the deed of dedication stating items that need to be considered by council. Councilor Beam stated he was in favor of the revised language to encompass all phases of Eagles Landing. Councilor Osborne questioned what the city was looking for in the language. Councilor Smock stated that we needed to consider Eagles Landing development as a whole and not assert any language that may void a prospective business but ultimately to have council approve, individually, each request and or site plan. Beam stated that we didn't want to make it

impossible for a business we would consider. Smock questioned the screening of products and defining up front what we expected when it would be dealt with on an individual basis through the planning channels. Kelly Parker, Marion St., stated that we legally couldn't pass the motion as it required the signature of a city clerk. Laura Benson, Michigan Ave., stated that the council should be careful on what was allowed to be displayed. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Nichols/Seible to approve request from Public Works Director to submit state bid for road salt. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Beam/Smock to approve request from Mayor to accept TAP funds in the amount of \$295,728 toward the Elk Run Creek Levee Trail Project; city match at \$132,682 contingent on applying for additional funds to support the project. Councilor Nichols stated that the trails weren't used in our area. Councilor Smock stated that residents use the city trails. Councilor Osborne stated that residents use the trail to run their dogs unleashed and there wasn't any other area that they could have that opportunity. Smock stated that the trail would link the trail to Elk Run with the proposed dog park connecting our city from the north. Osborne stated her opposition of the paved trail. Councilor Seible stated that there were other needs in the city that may were of more importance than the trail and we need to be looking at those issues. Councilor Beam stated that we should accept the grant contingent upon receiving additional funds. Beam stated that we had not been addressing the positive quality of life issues in our city and thought this would be a good addition to our projects. Seible stated that he wasn't in favor of this project but said we had recently approved the campground project and it was adding quality of life to our city. Beam responded that in order to utilize the campground residents/individuals would have to pay for that additional service. Ayes-Two. Nays-Three. Nichols, Seible, and Osborne. Motion Denied. Seible to rescind his prior vote and move to table the request until further funding details would be available, second by Smock. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Smock/Beam to approve request from Mayor to apply with Iowa Economic Development for Destination Iowa Grants for the Elk Run Creek Levee Trail Project. Mayor Kobliska stated that the grant purpose was to bring others into the community utilizing the city's trails and covering the expense to build the trail. Councilor Seible stated that quality of life issues, like the boat ramp, have been considered. Councilor Beam stated that he was still in favor of the boat ramp as people will use the boat ramp for kayaks and tubing. He also stated that people will utilize the trail to walk and ride their bikes and it was a quality of life for our city to attract and retain residents. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Public discussion: Non-Agenda Items. Bruce Givens, Eldene Crt., questioned what happened with the boat ramp project. Mayor Kobliska responded that the city was still working on the project. Laura Benson, Michigan Ave., stated that there were funds available through patronicity fund raising regarding trail cameras and that people who utilize the trails are interested in having trail cams at the trail heads and not during the trail proper. She stated that there were several funding opportunities available for the city to be involved in and would help in the funding process.

Mayor/Council discussion: Councilor Seible wanted to commend the street department for actively repairing the potholes in the city. Councilor Nichols stated that the ordinance to amend the speed on Evans Rd. needed to be brought back to Council as it needed a super majority to forego the second and third reading of the ordinance. Mayor Kobliska stated that she would research the issue.

There being no further discussion, Seible/Smock to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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DeAnne Kobliska, Mayor

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Justin Smock, Mayor Pro tem