

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, MAY 19, 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, VIA Go to Meeting application due to public restrictions set during the COVID-19 pandemic at 6:00 p.m. on the above date. Council members present in order of roll call: Walker, Beam, Dewater, Seible, and Bender. (Dewater did not arrive online until 6:08 p.m. due to technical difficulties). Quorum present.

Seible/Beam to approve May 19, 2020 agenda. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Beam to approve the following items on the May 19, 2020 consent agenda. a. Approval of May 5, 2020 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 (April), Building Inspection Report (April), Clerk/Treasurer Report (April), Code Enforcement Report (April), Evansdale Municipal Housing (n/a), Library (April), Parks & Rec Dept. (n/a), Planning & Zoning (April, May, and July, 2019), Police Dept. (April), Storm Water Commission (n/a), and Water Works (n/a). c. Liquor License Renewals: i. Station Mart #2 – 1119 River Forest Rd. – LE0003317 – effective 07/03/2020; ii. Hoochies – LC0032024 – effective 06/26/2020; iii. Waterhawks Ski Club – BB0036288 – effective 06/03/2020. d. Request from Casey Albright to hold a parade in honor of the Class of 2020 graduates on May 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. starting in Evansdale at Deerwood proceeding up River Forest Rd. right onto Lafayette right onto McCoy right onto W. Gilbert right onto Evans to Lafayette Road. Mayor Beatty discussed the details of the parade. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Walker/Seible to approve Resolution 6412 authorizing payment of bills and transfers as amended by a \$450 decrease to Toter, Inc. invoice for the garbage/recycle carts. Councilor Seible questioned repairs made to squad vehicles while the line item on the budget was in the negative, why there were so many repairs made to the squad cars, and if the vehicles were faulty. Chief Dean responded that it was standard maintenance that must be completed. Mayor Beatty stated that there was tire, brake, and battery replacement which must be replaced when worn. Seible stated that the squad cars are not that old, and we are in the negative in that budget item. Mayor Beatty stated that repairs are unavoidable, and funds will be pulled out of reserves to keep our squad cars on the road. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Dewater to approve Resolution 6413 approving the cancellation of debt made by interfund loan agreements within the City of Evansdale. Clerk Kobliska explained that funds were transferred from General Fund for the Capital Projects and the Community Block Development Grant project in keep fund in the positive. Once projects were completed the total funds borrowed were not available to be transferred back so debt needed to be cancelled. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Dewater/Seible to approve Resolution 6414 setting date of public hearing to approve the Planned Development District for the Lafayette Condos Development Project. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Bender to approve consideration of the City-Wide Garage Sale event scheduled for the 5th, 6th, & 7th of June. Councilor Walker stated that the residents will have their sales anyway. Councilor Bender agreed. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Beam to approve consideration of the Evansdale clean-up days event scheduled for the

12th & 13th of June. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Bender to approve request from Public Works Director to engage Turf Pro's services for weed maintenance levee, wastewater plant, Meyers Lake shoreline, and Deerwood Campground in the amount of \$7,147.25 as budgeted for FY21. Mayor Beatty stated that the fee for the service has remained the same for the last three years. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Dewater to approve request from Police Chief to abandon old body camera system. Chief Dean stated that the Digital Alley system was given to them mostly in part by Black Hawk County Sheriff's office and that there wasn't a lot of value left in the system and the City of Hudson wanted to utilize some of the equipment for parts. Councilor Walker stated that the system should be donated to Hudson. Councilor's Dewater and Bender agreed. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Dewater/Seible to approve request from City Clerk to request proposals for phone service. Mayor Beatty asked Clerk Kobliska to speak on this request. Clerk Kobliska stated that we had used our current vendor for several years and had difficulties with them, however, during the pandemic it had escalated due to a simple request for call forwarding. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Seible to approve request from Public Works Director to seek bids for the electrical and plumbing portion of the Arbutus Ave. and East End Ave. Lift Station Project. Councilor Walker questioned why council was approving this tonight when the Public Works director can seek bids. Mayor Beatty responded that the council had requested bids be brought to them for approval at our last meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Seible/Beam to approve request from Public Works Director to repair roadway patch at the approximate intersections of Colleen and Trail Ave. due to a sewer main line break in the amount of \$2,925 with Lucas Asphalt. Mayor Beatty stated that the Water Works had a large portion of these quotes for repairs as well and that their board preferred to stay local with Lucas. Councilor Seible had agreed but questioned if this would set a precedence in the future. Councilor Bender responded that it would be considered on a case-by-case basis. Mayor Beatty agreed. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Seible to approve request from Public Works Director to accept the lowest, most responsible bid in the amount of \$28,500 for intake repairs throughout the city with Frickson Bros. Excavating as budget for FY20 and FY21. Councilors Dewater and Seible wanted to thank Public Works Director for the description and photos of the areas to be repaired. Councilor Beam questioned why this project was not considered with the last project bid. He also stated that if we combine several intakes into one project with the flat work and stop peace milling the projects we would have other contractors bid the work instead of bouncing back and forth between a couple of contractors that the city is using now. Mayor Beatty responded first that the city's goal was to have budgeted repairs completed in FY20 and to push those projects through for the year they were budgeted; second several people were notified regarding the project and chose not to bid. He also stated that he had planned to have a system in place in the future, but it is a process. Councilor Walker stated that Public Works Director Schares was keeping projects within budgeted funds. Councilor Seible also questioned if we bid a bigger project, we would receive more competitive pricing. Councilor Dewater stated that the smaller projects would be fit in and not drag the projects out. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Public discussion: None Agenda Items Only: Chad Borwig, 1764 Timberline Dr., questioned if the parade was approved. Mayor Beatty responded yes it was approved. Tom Nichols, 615 Grand

Blvd., questioned when City Hall would be opening. Mayor Beatty responded that City Hall would be opening tomorrow with certain restrictions in place. Nichols questioned public meetings. Beatty responded that the public meeting proclamation was scheduled to expire on the 27th of May 2020.

Mayor/Council Reports: Mayor Beatty stated that we had a couple safety issues and asked Public Works Director to complete a safety stand down and the City Clerk is scheduling specific training for some noted safety issues. He also stated that the City Audit would be released soon, but there were a couple auditor comments related to the Friends of the Library. The City Clerk will share the comments with the Library Board President and try to eliminate future comments. Councilor Seible stated that there were several areas within the city that needed patch work completed. He also questioned repairs to an issue on 3rd Street in the Heights. Mayor Beatty responded that our City Engineer was reviewing the plans of the 3rd Street issue and was uncertain of the future of the project. Seible also questioned if there was an expiration date with developers on agreements that were made in the past. Clerk Kobliska responded that an official development agreement was not passed with the two developers but a memorandum of agreement.

There being no further discussion, Seible/Dewater to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Troy Beatty, Mayor

DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk