

CITY HALL  
EVANSDALE, IOWA, JUNE 4, 2019  
CITY COUNCIL  
GENE WALKER, MAYOR PRO TEM, 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, Bender, Walker, and Loftus. Absent: Dewater. Quorum present.

Loftus/Bender to approve June 4, 2019 agenda. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Loftus to approve the following items on the June 4, 2019 consent agenda. a. Approval of May 21, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Loftus/Bender to approve Resolution 6322 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Loftus/Seible to approve Resolution 6323 approving Site Plan and Plat Survey for Frickson-Lafayette Road Condos, part of Lot 2, "River Forest Subdivision". Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Loftus/Bender to approve request from Public Works Director to purchase 2020 International Dump Truck in the amount of \$173,750 from Don's Auto Sales as budgeted for FY2020 (places on order, won't deliver until late Fall). Councilor Seible stated that there wasn't adequate information given for council to decide on such a large purchase and thought that we should also consider a used truck as well. He also questioned the current mileage and inventory of all trucks. Chris Schares, Public Works director responded that he would obtain the information requested but also stated that the 1997 dump truck they were replacing will not make it through another winter. Clerk Kobliska stated that she had removed the spec pages given by the dealers as the face page covered all the options but would send the information to council. Mark Atkins, 909 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., stated that in the past the city purchased their equipment through the auction. Councilor Bender questioned if it was over budget and wanted council to review it further. Kobliska responded that it was over budget, but the purchase has been put off for two years and the original cost had been \$160,000. Loraine Atkins, 715 Central Ave., #203, wasn't in favor of the purchase. Loftus/Bender to retract their motion to approve. Loftus/Seible to table request to purchase dump truck. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Bender to approve request from Public Works director to accept the low bid of \$27,661.62 for crack sealing with Kluesner Construction for the Dubuque Road crack seal project FY19/FY20. Councilor Seible questioned if the quote totals included the additional mastic quote of \$3,741. Schares responded no, but mastic would only be used as needed. Mayor Pro Tem Walker stated that the mastic quote would have to come back to council if needed. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Bender/Walker to approve request from Public Works Director to purchase an additional Z-Turn lawn mower from Outdoor and More in the amount of \$12,259.10 for the Parks Department mowing. Mayor Pro Tem Walker stated that the parks department agreed to utilize the city as their mowing contractor. Tom Nichols, park chairperson, responded that they would utilize the city services this year but would review it next winter. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Loftus to approve request from Public Works Director to purchase 400 ton of road salt from compass minerals in an amount not to exceed \$33,660 as budgeted for FY2020. Councilor Seible questioned what the average annual use was and how much salt was on hand. Schares responded that they were out of salt and they used an average of 200 ton per season but were hit really hard last year. Seible questioned if we could purchase more to reduce the price per ton. Schares stated that we could only hold 200 ton. Seible also questioned if we could combine our order with the county for better pricing. Schares responded that they purchased salt through a state bid, and it was purchased

individually by each city and county. Mark Atkins stated that the city should review additional purchasing arrangements for the salt. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to approve request from Fire Chief to purchase two (2) sets of firefighter fear and filtering hoods from Feld Equipment in the amount of \$4,018 as budgeted for FY2019 (less credit on account for \$749.75 totaling \$3,268.25). Councilor Seible questioned if the fire dept. was seeking grants for their safety equipment purchases. Fire Chief Phillips responded that the city had applied for a Black Hawk Gaming grant but wouldn't know if had been received until August. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Bender/Loftus to approve request from City Clerk to enter into an agreement with Express Employment Professionals and authorize City Clerk to sign said agreement. Councilor Seible questioned the request. Clerk Kobliska stated that the Deputy Clerk had resigned, and the city wanted another avenue for hiring. Seible stated that he thought it was unprofessional that Elk Run Heights would hire our deputy clerk when our city clerk had been helping them. Mayor Pro Tem Walker responded that it was a chance for the deputy to advance in her career. Mark Atkins questioned if it was required that funds spent on training be paid back to the city. Kobliska responded that it hadn't been required at this time. Ayes-Three. Nays-One (Seible). Motion carried.

Bender/Walker to approve request from City Clerk to purchase new computer from Computer Troubleshooters in the amount of \$1,149.00 as the current Windows System Pro 7 will no longer be supported. Seible questioned purchase. Kobliska responded that we had discussed computer replacement with our IT company and were planning on a replacement this year as systems were over five years old. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Seible/Bender to approve request from City Clerk to sign an annual agreement with Computer Troubleshooters in the amount of \$7,290 for IT services for City Hall, Public Works, and Wastewater as budgeted for FY20. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Bender/Walker to approve request from City Clerk to authorize payment in the amount of \$2,411 to Operation Threshold as budgeted for FY20. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Bender to approve Ordinance 665 amending provisions pertaining to Park Regulations, 1st reading. Councilor Loftus questioned why we were making the change. Mayor Pro Tem Walker responded that no alcohol in city parks had been established by ordinance, however, it had been allowed in the city campground. Tom Nichols, park chairperson stated that all parks needed to come into compliance with the same alcohol usage regulations. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Seible/Bender to approve motion to suspend requirements for two (2) subsequent readings Ordinance 665. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Bender/Seible to approve motion to adopt Ordinance 665. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Bender/Seible to approve Ordinance 666 amending provisions pertaining to Alcohol Consumption, 1st reading. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Seible/Walker to approve motion to suspend requirements for two (2) subsequent readings Ordinance 666. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Seible/Bender to approve motion to adopt Ordinance 666. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four.

Public discussion: non-agenda items: Loraine Atkins, 715 Central Ave., #203, stated that the city needed to have common sense and courtesy while addressing handicap accessibility. Mark Atkins, 909 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., stated that the heights weren't receiving adequate police coverage. Chief Jensen stated that he had asked Mark to get a license plate number and make of vehicle for the residents that were running

the stop signs. Bill Nichols, 221 Oakwood, stated that he disagreed with Mark's complaint and that 99% of the people slow down but do not stop at the stop signs but are residents from the heights.

Mayor/Council Reports: Councilor Seible stated that there was a commercial mowing company that was blowing grass into the storm sewers and he wanted to ensure that this company was made aware of our ordinance. He also stated that the police coverage on Evans had been great and wanted to say thank you. He also questioned if we had started our sump pump inspections. Kobliska responded that we hadn't but would be soon.

There being no further discussion, Loftus/Bender to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Motion carried.

**ATTEST:**

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**Gene Walker, Mayor Pro Tem**

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**DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk**