

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, JUNE 28, 2017
CITY COUNCIL
DOUG FAAS, MAYOR, PRESIDING

The City Council of the City of Evansdale, Iowa met in special 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 8:30 a.m. on the above date. Council members present in order of roll call: Loftus, Dewater, Seible, Nichols, and Walker. Quorum present.

Loftus/Walker to approve the June 28, 2017 agenda. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Walker to approve Resolution 6098 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Seible requested an update on the Deerwood turnaround, weed control invoice, absence of Waste Water Foreman (WWF) and the RV dump station. Schares, Public Works Director, responded to both projects and that the dump station was completed under budget. Mayor Faas explained the absence of WWF, White. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Seible/Loftus to approve Resolution 6099 approving School Resource Officer contract for FY2018. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Seible/Loftus to approve Resolution 6100 fixing compensation for City employees for FY2018. Seible questioned increase in wage of new EMT. Mayor responded that was the annual increase for all employees. Loraine Atkins, 625 River Forest Rd., stated that a consistent procedure should be put into place for all employees concerning wages. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Nays-Two (Seible, Nichols).

Dewater/Loftus to approve request from Mayor to enter into agreement with Team Services to provide soil borings for Doris Drive in an amount not to exceed \$4,650. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Dewater/Walker to approve request from Public Works Director to purchase a bucket truck in the amount not to exceed \$21,500. Seible questioned the purchase of a truck of this age, the extra man hours to enable employees to trim and cut trees and why we are not utilizing equipment on hand. Nichols stated that we needed to include employees' wages when considering costs to remove trees. Walker questioned if the truck had a lift to enable city to pull pumps out of lift stations without contracting it out. Schares responded yes, up to 2,500 pounds. Loftus stated that the Mayor explained at the last meeting that the end loader cannot be utilized for any purpose other than its intended use. Mark Atkins, 909 3rd Ave., questioned council in regards to time on the truck boom, OSHA inspection, and training of employees to use the truck. Ayes: Three. Nays-Two (Seible, Nichols). Motion carried.

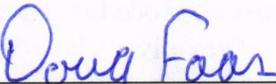
Public discussion: non-agenda items. Loraine Atkins, 625 River Forest Rd., questioned the purchase of the bucket truck and suggested treating the trees instead of taking them down. Mayor Faas stated that the DNR does not recommend treating the trees. Loraine also questioned why letters hadn't been sent to residents of McCoy Road in regards to rezoning. Mayor Faas responded

that if Planning & Zoning chose not to rezone the area that was their prerogative, but rezoning is in the city's best interest.

Mayor/Council Reports: Mayor discussed municipal infractions and how the council would like to address future fines. Police Chief Jensen stated that the clerk of courts suggested a graduating scale when issuing municipal infractions. He also checked with the city of Waterloo and they utilize a graduated scale. Dewater stated that he had heard that the graduated fine system was being utilized by other cities, but the purpose of the larger fine was to encourage the resident to come into compliance. Jensen responded that it is up to the judge when it goes to court. Mayor Faas also stated that we have given the resident 10 days to come into compliance and if they don't respond in 10 days, a certified letter is mailed giving them another 14 days to come into compliance and if they don't a municipal infraction is issued. Seible stated that maybe the size of the hard surface needed to be addressed. Loraine Atkins, asked council to consider the circumstances of our residents. Mayor Faas stated that the street overlay project will begin July 17th. The first two weeks of project will be underground work. The Mayor also questioned the council on pay for the special meeting held before the regular meeting on the 16th for May. Dewater, Walker, and Loftus stated that it should be considered as one meeting; Seible stated that it was a separate meeting and council should be paid.

There being no further discussion, Walker/Seible to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m. Ayes: Five. Motion carried.

ATTEST:



Doug Faas, Mayor



DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk

