

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017
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. Council members present in order of roll call: Dewater, Seible, Nichols, Walker, and Loftus. Quorum present.

Loftus/Walker to approve the September 5, 2017 agenda. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Loftus/Seible to approve the following items on the September 5, 2017 Consent Agenda: a. Approval of August 15, 2017 regular meeting minutes by amending date approving agenda to August 15, 2017 and date of consent agenda to August 15, 2017. b. Request from Jon and Kamille Martin, 1754 Timberline Drive to hold a wedding on September 23, 2017 from 4:00-10:00 p.m. (no street closure required). Approved by Police Chief Jensen. c. Liquor License Renewals: Kwik Star #278 – BC0030451 – Effective 10/04/2017; Pilot Travel Center #637 – BC0026021 – 10/19/2017. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Loftus/Walker to approve New Liquor license – Station Mart 2, 1119 River Forest Road (Corporation change). Place on file approved convenience store Occupancy Permit approved by the Planning & Zoning Commission. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Dewater/Loftus to approve Resolution 6125 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Seible to open Public hearing at 6:02 p.m. on Not to Exceed \$7,000,000 conduit bonds for Cedar Falls Lutheran Home. Ayes-Five. Motion carried. Proof of publication on file, no public comments received. Loftus/Walker to close the public hearing at 6:02 p.m. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Loftus/Seible to approve Resolution 6126 Authorizing and Providing for the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$7,000,000 conduit bonds for Cedar Falls Lutheran Home and Approving the Execution of Documents relating thereto. Councilman Loftus requested that Mayor Faas explain what the city is doing. Mayor Faas explained that conduit bonds are not a debt obligation to the city but a source for nonprofit entities to issue tax exempt bonds utilizing the city's annual available bank qualified limit. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Walker/Dewater to open Public hearing at 6:04 p.m. on sale of City Property to Robert Klein for \$1. Proof of publication on file, no public comments received. Ayes-Five. Motion carried. Seible/Loftus to close the public hearing at 6:04 p.m. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Walker/Seible to approve Resolution 6127 approving sale of City property located at Randalls Addition all lot 14 excluding south 50 feet in the amount of \$1 to Robert Klein. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Seible/Nichols to approve Resolution 6128 approving FY2017 Street Finance Report. Councilman Seible questioned items on the equipment schedule that we no longer own and ones that were missing. Clerk Kobliska responded that the report is for the street/road use department only and that the two items he mentioned that were junked were items that she needed to verify and neglected to do so. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Loftus/Nichols to deny Resolution 6129 approving no parking zone sign on the south side of Brookside Avenue from Evans Road to Grand Boulevard. Councilman Seible wasn't in favor of the no parking sign. Councilman Nichols wasn't in favor of the no parking sign. Mayor Faas asked Chief Jensen to explain the

request. Chief Jensen explained there are times that cars are parked on both sides of the street and the width between the vehicles is less than a 3-wheeled motorbike could get through. The concern is in the event of an emergency travel would be restricted by parked cars. Councilman Dewater questioned if Councilman Walker had an issue with parking in the past. Councilman Walker stated that cars have been parked on both sides of street not allowing through traffic. He also stated that he would be in favor of a no parking sign on the north side of the street as there is a deep ditch and people park to compensate for the drop off. Ken Nichols, 610 East End Ave., stated that there are several streets in town with the same issue if we consider one, we would need to consider all. Roll call vote: Ayes to Deny-Three. Nays-Two. (Dewater and Walker) Resolution 6129 denied.

Discussion: Agreement between City & EYSA. Mayor Faas described the agreement that had been in force years past with some minor amendments made by city attorney. Councilman Seible stated that he would like to receive an annual report from EYSA stating how they are utilizing the donation. Mayor Faas responded that accountability is included in the agreement in paragraph five. Councilman Dewater agreed to an annual report, monthly is overkill. Councilman Walker stated that he had received two complaints one that the board was a small group and they weren't allowing others to be involved, second that a local non-profit organization sponsored a team and they were told \$750 to put up a sign. John Bedard and Danielle Peters both stated that they were always looking for volunteers for the board and that they only charge \$250 for a banner to be hung, but it is a three-year agreement. Councilman Nichols stated that the whole complex is an eye sore. Bedard questioned what he meant by eye sore. Nichols responded that it doesn't appear kept up. Bedard stated that we do our best with the funds that are available. Councilman Loftus stated that they are taking care of the kids with the softball program and he is proud of the organization. The Mayor and Mr. Bedard discussed the amendments to the agreement and stated that it would be on the next council agenda for approval.

Dewater/Walker to approve request from Evansdale Youth Sports Association for donation of \$2,000 as budgeted for FY18. John Bedard, EYSA, stated that the city donation has been a God send and has helped the organization with maintenance of the property. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to approve request from Evansdale Chamber of Commerce for donation in the amount of \$2,500 as budgeted for FY18. Councilman Nichols questioned what the donation was for and how the chamber has benefitted the city for new business in our city. Mayor Faas responded that they have donated funds to the Community Days and flowers throughout the community. Councilman Seible stated that he recalled discussing at budget time that a report would have to be given to the city to continue the donations such as had been given by the Alliance. Mayor Faas responded that we did not budget for the Alliance this year. Dona Frickson, Chamber President, stated that the chamber isn't only for the businesses in town but the chamber focuses on events that include the whole city. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Loftus/Walker to approve request from Public Works Director to repair hard drive on pump #1 and #3 at Arbutus lift station in an amount not to exceed \$5,000. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Dewater/Walker to approve Ordinance 657 Mayors Compensation from \$48,430 annually to \$49,641 effective January 1, 2018 and \$52,023.77 effective July 1, 2018, second reading. Roll call vote: Ayes-Two. Nays-Three (Seible, Nichols, and Loftus). Motion failed. Mayor Faas questioned the city attorney when it could be reintroduced. City Attorney Folkerts stated that it can be reintroduced at any time. Councilman Seible questioned the ruling of bringing an ordinance back. Folkerts stated that the person that voted against the ordinance could bring it back. Loftus/Walker made a motion to reconsider. Roll call vote: Ayes-Three. Nays-Two. (Seible, Nichols). Loftus/Dewater to approve Ordinance 657 Mayors Compensation from \$48,430 annually to \$49,641 effective January 1, 2018 and \$52,023.77 effective July 1, 2018, second reading. Councilman Seible wanted something in writing stating that an ordinance/resolution can be handled this way. Folkerts responded that you will not find these rules in the

Iowa code, the default has been Robert Rules, however the city hasn't adopted Roberts Rules. Roll call vote: Ayes-Three. Nays-Two (Seible, Nichols).

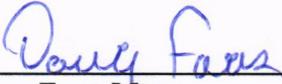
Dewater/Loftus to approve request for the replacement of light fixtures in Library and hallways and receive low bid from Black Hawk Electric in an amount not to exceed \$9,225 as budgeted for FY18 (Rebate from MidAmerican Energy in the amount of \$1,800). Councilman Nichols questioned the replacement and stated that it wasn't money well spent. Mayor Faas responded that all current fixtures are ran by ballast that are becoming scarce as they are no longer produced. Ayes-Four. Nays-One (Nichols). Motion carried.

Public Discussion: Non-agenda items: Danielle Peters, 1731 Enid St., as a representative of EYSA thanked the Mayor and council for allowing the organization to utilize City Hall for registration. Loraine Atkins, 625 River Forest Rd., questioned if they would be replanting grass in the frontages of their properties and that 3 squares of her sidewalk had been broken during the project. Mayor Faas responded that the landscaper on the project and the city engineer were reviewing the grass seed that was laid and stated that it must have been bad seed, he also stated that he would have the engineers review the sidewalk. Tom Nichols, 616 Grand Blvd., questioned the status on the Angel Island bridge project. Mayor Faas responded that since we are not on as strict of a timeline, the engineer wanted time to include all the possible variables of the project.

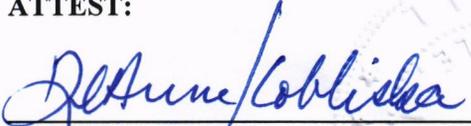
Mayor/Council Reports: Anne Johnson served the city for 17 years and is retiring. We will be celebrating her retirement on Wednesday September 6th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. He also gave road construction updates and gave notice that the city's 2008 Ford Crown Vic was placed on eBay and will be available to bid upon through the 8th of September. Councilman Seible wanted to commend the street department for removing the old trees on Evans and questioned who would remove the stumps. Mayor Faas responded we will get bids for the stump removal. Councilman Nichols questioned the ADA sidewalk at corners of Evans Rd. and W. Gilbert Dr. Mayor Faas responded that he would check into it.

There being no further discussion, Loftus/Seible to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:



Doug Faas, Mayor



DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk

