

CITY HALL  
EVANSDALE, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 6, 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: Smock, Bergman, Nichols, Seible, and Osborne. Quorum present.

Seible/Smock to approve the agenda for the September 6, 2022, meeting. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Seible/Bergman to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2022, meeting. Ayes: Bergman, Nichols, Osborne, Seible, Smock. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Nichols/Bergman to approve the request from Jeff Scarbrough to lower Meyers Lake, not to exceed twelve inches, for repairs to retaining wall. Nichols was concerned that lowering the lake will result in death of fish if the lake freezes. The Mayor said that the lake will only be lowered twelve inches and we cannot deny lowering this portion of the lake because it is located on Scarbrough's property. Nichols clarified that the water itself belongs to the state but didn't see any issue if the water was to be lowered twelve inches. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Bergman/Seible to approve the request from Animal Control Officer Schares to remove vicious animal from the city. There was a second incident with the dog at 310 W. Gilbert where it did nip at someone walking past. At the July 5, 2022 meeting, Council required that the dog be on a leash and muzzled when outdoors and the owner has failed to comply. Seible wanted to clarify that Animal Control would not euthanize the dog, Council is just approving the removal from the City. Officer Schares confirmed. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Seible/Bergman to approve 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. Liquor License: Evansdale Chamber of Commerce – Evansdale 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event – One day only b.Liquor License : Pilot Travel Centers, LLC #BC0026021 – Effective October 21, 2022 c. Liquor License : Station Mart #1, #LE0003348 – Effective September 30, 2022 d. Request from Evansdale 75th Anniversary Event Committee to hold parade on September 17, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. with staging to begin at 8:30 a.m. on Central Ave. west of Evans Rd. Parade route is north on Evans, west on Lafayette Rd., south on River Forest Rd to Central e. Request to approve the display of fireworks on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September and close W. Gilbert Dr. from Fran St. to Evans Rd. during the fireworks event f. Request from Boys & Girls Club of Evansdale to hold a Color Fun Run on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September starting at Community Response Center, law enforcement requested. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Bergman/Seible that all the following items listed under the Resolution Calendar will be enacted by one vote: a. Resolution 6634 authorizing payment of bills and transfers b. Resolution 6635 approving they FY22 Annual Financial Report and authorizing publication c. Resolution 6636 approving compensation changes for Police Officers. The Mayor said that the date on Resolution 6636 was written as July 16, 2022, but was effective August 16, 2022, and has been updated. Ayes: Bergman, Nichols, Osborne, Seible, Smock. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Smock/Bergman to approve the appointment of Jackie Wilson to the Municipal Housing Authority Board with term ending December 31, 2023. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Seible/Smock to approve the appointment of Randy Weber to the Civil Service Commission with a term ending June 30, 2024, and Jeff Jenson to the Civil Service Commission with term ending June 30, 2025. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Smock/Bergman to approve the appointment of Jeff Dawson to the Board of Adjustment with term ending April 1, 2027. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

The Mayor asked that Council take time to consider allowing or prohibiting Bardominium homes. There has been interest in building but there is nothing specified in the Code. The Mayor did bring the discussion of prohibiting pole buildings to Planning and Zoning which they denied prohibiting. The Mayor would like to invite Steve Santomauro, Building Inspector, to the next meeting to discuss the homes. Osborne stated that some of the Bardominiums look nicer than some two-bedroom homes in the City and said that if Council does decide to change the Zoning Ordinance, she would like to add language stating that businesses cannot be operated out of the Bardominium.

Seible/Smock to approve the request from Public Works Director, Chris Schares, to purchase three hundred tons of road salt from state bid in the amount of \$29,433 with Morton Salt. Kelly Parker, 117 Marion, asked if the City could negotiate the price because Evansdale is higher than cities of comparable size. The Mayor stated that the price includes the cost of freight and fuel, and some cities may be closer for delivery and were charged less in freight and fuel costs. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Seible/Bergman to approve the request from Public Works Director, Chris Schares, to remove and replace a gear box for the '97 International City vehicle from KnM Services not to exceed \$2,000. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Smock/Nichols to approve the request from the Mayor to have bridge rating performance by Shuck Britson in the amount of \$3,060 as required by the Iowa DOT and FHWA. The Mayor said that bridge inspections are done every two years as required by the Federal Government. The Mayor and Schares met with the Iowa DOT and the DOT suggested doing an epoxy cover with Buchanan County next Spring that will extend the life of the bridge for twenty to twenty-five years. Bergman asked if the City could be reimbursed seeing that it was required by the Federal Government. The Mayor said that she will need find out. Smock asked if this project has gone out for bid. The Mayor said that the City has used Shuck Britson for years and did reach out to other companies but their bid was higher. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

Public Discussion:

Kate Wyatt is running for Iowa House District 76, which includes Evansdale, wanted to stop by and introduce herself.

Mayor/Council Reports:

Bergman would like Council to think about setting the date and time for Trick or Treating.

The Mayor wanted to remind everyone of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration on September 17<sup>th</sup> that will have music, children's games, fireworks, and a parade.

Seible would like to start planning work sessions before budget planning. He would also like to discuss the possibility of adding a Park Department. He would like more work to be done on Lafayette Road and expressed concerns about money not being saved during the Central Avenue project. The Mayor clarified that the City has saved money on the project.

Nichols expressed concern that the lack of curb appeal at Eagles Landing could affect the possibility of sales. The Mayor said that the Attorney is now reviewing proposed projects for Eagles Landing.

There being no further discussion, Seible/Smock to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. Ayes-five. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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DeAnne Kobliska, Mayor

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Dana Laidig, City Clerk