

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 17, 2013
CITY COUNCIL
CHAD DEUTSCH, 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. Members present in order of roll call: Dewater, Loftus, Walker, and Miller. Absent: None. Quorum present.

Dewater/Miller to approve the September 17, 2013 agenda. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Walker/Dewater to approve the following items on the September 17, 2013 consent agenda: a) Approval of September 3, 2013 regular meeting minutes b) Resolution 5630 authorizing payment of bills and transfers c) Accept and place on file the minutes and reports from the following Boards, Departments and Commissions (n/a = Not Available): Treasurer/Expense Report (Aug), Police Dept (Aug), Library Minutes (Aug), Library Statistics (Aug), Library Circulation Report (Aug), Building Inspector (Aug), EWW Minutes (Aug), EWW Treasurers Report (Aug), Parks Minutes (Aug), Fire Dept (Aug), Ambulance (Aug), Evansdale Municipal Housing (n/a), TV Commission (n/a), Planning & Zoning (n/a). Roll call vote: Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Dewater/Walker to allow 90 feet of temporary parking on Jones Road north of Central until September 1, 2014, to which then reverts back to permanent no-parking. Councilman Walker stated that he visited the area looking for an alternative place for Troy and Angie Everts' tenants to park because the road is so narrow, which makes it dangerous turning onto Jones Rd. from Central Ave. He asked the Everts if all six garages are being utilized for parking. Mrs. Everts responded yes but three units own two cars, which is why they need additional parking. The Mayor stated that the Everts were already given several months to find alternative parking and asked them what their timeline was to come up with alternative parking. Mrs. Everts responded that their intention is to install a parking lot in the next year. Mr. Everts responded that they didn't have a time frame. Ayes-Four. Motion carried. Note: The initial motion was for no extensions to be granted; however, City Attorney Ament recommended using a sunset provision instead as one can't predetermine the actions of a future City Council.

Jones Road

Walker/Miller to approve request from Days Inn for funding of advertisement in the Cedar Valley Visitors Guide in the amount of \$920. Council member Dewater asked if the ad was specific to the Evansdale location. The Mayor answered, yes and that the ad is funded from hotel/motel tax generated by the motel. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Days Inn

Dewater/Walker to approve Resolution 5631 approving compensation for two new part-time police officers. Council member Miller asked why the resolution lists the existing pay for Nathan Monter as \$25/year. City Clerk Becky Walters responded that Monter was a police reserve officer prior to becoming a part-time officer and \$25/year was the pay for reserve officers. The new rate of pay varies from \$14.71 to \$15.71 as stated in the union contract, depending on the hours worked by the officer. Dewater asked about the effective date of pay for the officers. City Clerk Walters stated that the officers' pay would be effective when they received their first payroll. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Res. 5631
Fixing
compensation

Miller/Walker to approve Resolution 5632 approving the FYE2013 Street Finance Report. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Res. 5632
Street Finance
Report

Miller/Dewater to amend the direction of the one-way on Dodge Street to southbound only from Central Ave to Brookside Ave. The Mayor explained that since Dodge is currently a one-way street and the recommendation is to simply change the direction of the one way, an ordinance isn't necessary. Currently Dodge is a northbound one-way from Collins to Central and southbound one-way from Collins to Brookside. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Dodge Street
One-way
directional
change

Walker/Miller to table Ordinance 632 establishing regulations pertaining to golf carts. There was discussion on the proposed ordinance's restrictions on where the carts can travel due to speed limit safety issues. According to the proposed ordinance, golf carts wouldn't be allowed on the following streets, which have a speed limit of 35 mph: Lafayette Road, River Forest Road, W. Gilbert Drive, and Evansdale Drive. City Attorney Ament stated that he thought Iowa Code doesn't allow golf carts to travel on roads with a speed limit greater than 25 mph, therefore the agenda item was tabled to check Iowa Code's restrictions on golf cart travel. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Ord. 632
Golf carts

Motion by Walker to approve Ordinance 633 amending speed zone on W. Gilbert Drive from Grand Blvd to Burr Oak Ave from 30 mph to 25 mph died for lack of a second. The Mayor explained that Police Chief Smock spotted safety issues on this stretch of W. Gilbert Drive. As a result, a reduction in speed

Ord. 633
Speed zones

limit was recommended because the bike trail intersects on that stretch and because there is a blind hill there as well.

Discussion: Joan Thompson thanked the Mayor for his quick action to her concerns that she pointed out at the prior meeting concerning drainage issues in Casebeer Heights. She suggested that the City consider having a maintenance program for the City's drainage system. The Mayor responded that the Public Works Director completes those checks every couple of years. Discussion

There being no further discussion, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m. Ayes-Four. Adjourn

ATTEST:



Chad Deutsch, Mayor



Becky Walters, City Clerk