

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, NOVEMBER 1, 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.

Nichols/Seible to approve the agenda for the November 1, 2022, meeting. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Bergman/Seible to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2022, and October 25, 2022, meeting. Ayes: Bergman, Nichols, Osborne, Seible, Smock. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Discussion: Jerry Harms, 213 Heather, expressed concerns regarding junk vehicles and other nuisances in town. Laura Benson, 1674 Michigan, requested a stop sign at the corners of 2nd/Michigan and Michigan/Jule to help with speeding issues in her neighborhood.

Seible/Smock 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: Liquor License: Station Mart #2, #LE0003821 – Effective December 20, 2022. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Smock that all the following items listed under the Resolution Calendar will be enacted by one vote. A. Resolution 6652 authorizing payment of bills and transfers B. Resolution 6653 approving the destruction of documents according to State of Iowa Code 372.13(5) C. Resolution 6654 approving commercial tax abatement for Advanced Storage D. Resolution 6655 approving payment #2 to Municipal Pipe Tool for the Saunders & Miner Lining Project. Ayes: Bergman, Nichols, Osborne, Seible, Smock. Nays: None. Resolutions adopted.

Seible/Smock to approve the appointment of Emilia Sanchez to the Library Board with term ending 06/30/2024. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Nichols/Seible to approve the request from Police Chief to purchase bullet-proof vests in an amount not to exceed \$1,664.20. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action: Nuisance Abatement – Code of Ordinance Chapters 50 & 51. The Mayor asked Council for suggestions and comments regarding the code. She said that the City is working towards addressing the nuisances like storing of vehicles and campers. Seible said he would like to see enforcement consistency that lacked in the past. He would like more time to review the Ordinance and asked if Steve Santomauro, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement, could attend meetings to give updates. Osborne asked if this addressed the billboard issue. The Mayor said that she is working with the City Attorney to address this, and they also recommended hiring an Engineer to draft an updated Planning and Zoning ordinance. Smock agreed that consistency is needed and would like to tackle the issue of rental properties that are not taken care of. Nichols asked about the odor issues on Arbutus. The Mayor said that People Services are still working on the odor issues and discussed enforcing grease trap regulations for commercial properties.

Mayor/Council Reports. Mayor Kobliska asked Council when they would like to have the next budget meeting. Council decided November 15, 2022 at 5:15 p.m. Seible said that he had received complaints about a property on Lafayette with multiple vehicles. The Mayor said that the City has worked with the homeowner in the past, however, the vehicles are licensed and maintained. She will speak with Code Enforcement to see if more needs to be addressed. Seible asked if speed bumps could be placed on Roosevelt. Mike Dean, Police Chief, said that Elk Run has had some success with speed bumps and Chris Schares, Public Works Director, said he can look into estimates. Nichols wanted tree removal on a vacant lot in Eagles Landing. The Mayor said if the property belongs to the City, they will address it.

There being no further discussion, Smock/Seible to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

DeAnne Kobliska, Mayor

Dana Laidig, City Clerk