

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, NOVEMBER 15, 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/Bergman to approve the agenda for the November 15, 2022, meeting by amending the agenda to move item 13 the swearing in of Sergeant Neuman to be combined with item 6 the swearing in of Jered Engel and Dalton Epley. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Nichols to approve the minutes from the November 1, 2022, meeting. Ayes: Bergman, Nichols, Osborne, Seible, Smock. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Swearing in of Officers Jered Engel, Dalton Epley, and Sergeant Ben Neuman by Mike Dean, Police Chief.

Public Discussion: None.

Seible/Osborne to approve the land exchange at approximately 1222 Evans Road. Darren Breuss is interested in purchasing the land at 1222 Evans Road to build a single-family home. Due to land access issues from an easement, he would like to exchange part of the land to acquire the City owned portion in order to have access to the property. Bergman said that this would increase the tax base. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action: Nuisance Abatement – Code of Ordinance Chapters 50 & 51. Steve Santomauro, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement, presented Council with photos of nuisance properties he is currently working on. He said he has 15-20 properties on his list. Seible applauded Santomauro and the Mayor for the enforcement of the ordinance. Osborne asked what the most common nuisances seen. Santomauro said furniture, junk vehicles, damaged houses, debris in yards, and rental property issues. Smock/Bergman to support Code Enforcement to enforce the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action: Rental Housing. The Mayor said that the City has had issues with the condition of rental properties. Santomauro would like the Council to consider enacting a rental housing inspection program to combat the issue. Seible asked the Mayor to reach out to the City Attorney to put together a sample program for Council to review before making decisions.

Nichols/Bergman to approve the request from Mayor to enter into an agreement with iWorQ Systems in the amount of \$7,550 for Building Inspection, Shelter Rental, and Pet Licensing software. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

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: accept and place on file the minutes and reports from the following Departments, Boards, and Commissions (n/a = not available): Ambulance & Fire Report (Oct), Building

Inspection Report (Oct), Clerk/Treasurer Report (Oct), Code Enforcement Report (n/a), Evansdale Municipal Housing (n/a), Library (Oct), Parks & Rec Dept. (Oct), Planning & Zoning (n/a), Police Dept. (Oct), Storm Water Commission (n/a), Wastewater (Oct), and Water Works (Oct). Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Nichols that all the following items listed under the Resolution Calendar will be enacted by one vote. a. Resolution 6656 authorizing payment of bills and transfers b. Resolution 6657 placing on file Civil Service Commission authorization – Sergeant c. Resolution 6658 setting compensation for Sergeant Neuman d. Resolution 6659 approving payment #3 to Aspro for the Central Ave. Overlay Project in the amount of \$140,010.69 e. Resolution 6660 approving FY2022 Street Finance Report. Ayes: Bergman, Nichols, Osborne, Seible, Smock. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Mayor/Council Reports: The Mayor thanked the Public Works Department for the repairs on Lafayette Road. She also said that the department saved \$22,750 on the Central Avenue project by doing work in house. Seible thanked the department and was happy to see that Lafayette Road maintenance had started. Mayor Kobliska also commended the police department for their work in the City. Council agreed to have another budget meeting on December 6, 2022, at 5:15 p.m.

There being no further discussion, Nichole/Seible to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

DeAnne Kobliska, Mayor

Dana Laidig, City Clerk