

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**August 3, 2017**  
**6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on August 3, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 415 Blondeau Street. In the absence of Mayor Thomas D. Marion, Mayor Pro-Tem Susan Dunek called the meeting to order. There were eight council members present, one absent: Mike O'Connor, Mike Moore, Dan Winn, John Helenthal, Larry Mortimer, Sandy Pollitt, and Roger Bryant. Ron Payne was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Aaron Burnett, City Clerk Jean Ludwig, Public Works Director Mark Boussetot, Code Enforcement Officer Kathie Mahoney, and Fire Chief Gabe Rose.

**MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE:** Sister Cities group from Japan has been in Keokuk this week and received a warm welcome. Saturday, August 12 will be the free back to school event at Trinity Methodist Church. Thanks was given to GRP for their summer youth theater program.

**CITIZEN'S REQUEST:** Tom Trandell of 905 Bank, and a member of the Historical Preservation Commission, spoke to the Council of his displeasure regarding the way the City handles disposal and demolition of historical properties.

Chuck Mitchell of 126 Concert spoke about the Unitarian Church. He feels it's up to citizens of Keokuk to save the church, not outside sources. He provided the Council with a service agreement regarding patching of the roof.

Motion made by Helenthal and seconded by O'Connor to amend the location of a street light in Item No. 5 on the consent agenda to read the "intersection of E and Ash Streets."  
(8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

Motion made by O'Connor and seconded by Moore to approve the amended consent agenda.  
(8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 20, 2017;
- Receive Council Reports;
- Renewal Liquor license – **RES. NO. 297-17** Harrington Lounge, Inc., 18 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, effective August 22, 2017 - Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- **RES. NO. 298-17** Boozy Scoop, LLC, Victory Park, effective August 19, 2017, Class B Beer (Includes Wine Coolers);
- **RES. NO. 299-17** Consider resolution to install a Street light at the intersection of E and Ash Street;

- **RES. NO. 300-17** Consider resolution authorizing a 99-Year lease to the Keokuk Saddle Club;
- Resignation of Peter Pflug from the Park & Recreation Advisory Board effective immediately;
- Motion to pay the bills and transfers listed within Register No.'s 4942-4944;

Mayor Pro-Tem Susan Dunek opened the public hearing pertaining to the sale and disposal of 728 Fulton, Keokuk, Lee County, Iowa at 7:00 p.m. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on July 26, 2017.

**COMMENTS:** Burnett said this is a proposal from Annie Mills. She plans on making many improvements like correcting the issues with the sewer, HVAC, and electrical. The City would require a development agreement to ensure the improvements are made.

Mayor Pro-Tem Susan Dunek closed the hearing at 7:02 p.m. and the following proposed resolution was adopted.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 301-17:** "A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE SALE AND DISPOSAL OF 728 FULTON, KEOKUK, LEE COUNTY, IOWA."  
(8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Mortimer to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 302-17:** "A RESOLUTION TO REVIEW AND APPROVE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE GRANT #3-19-0050-021-2017 WITH THE FAA FOR REMOVAL OF AIR SPACE OBSTRUCTION IN AN AMOUNT OF \$ 381,757.50." (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Winn to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 303-17:** "A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6:30 P.M., AUGUST 17, 2017 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, TO AMEND THE KEOKUK MUNICIPAL ZONING CODE, CHAPTER 20.60, HEIGHT AND AREA REGULATIONS AND CHAPTER 20.68 SPECIAL USES, CONCERNING THE HEIGHT AND PLAN REVIEW OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRIBUTION, TRANSMISSION LINES AND FACILITIES AND PROPER NOTICES BE PUBLISHED." (8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

Motion made by Pollitt, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 304-17:** "A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6:30 P.M., AUGUST 17, 2017 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSALS FOR CONTRACTING THE MOVEMENT OF THE BARGE CURRENTLY LOCATED IN DAVENPORT TO KEOKUK." (8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 305-17**: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE STATE OF IOWA FOR TRANSPORTATION SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TSIP) FUNDS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AT THE INTERSECTIN OF HIGHWAY 218 AND 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Pollitt to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 306-17**: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE STATE OF IOWA FOR TRANSPORTATION SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TSIP) FUNDS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AND WIDEN OUT THE RADIUS RETURNS ON SOUTH 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET AT THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 218 AND 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

Motion made by Pollitt, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 307-17**: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE STATE OF IOWA FOR TRANSPORTATION SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TSIP) FUNDS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF HIGHWAY 218 AND 13<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND HIGHWAY 218 AND 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK.”

(8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

A motion was made by Winn and seconded by Helenthal to enter into closed session at 7:14 p.m. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

A motion was made by Helenthal and seconded by Moore to return to open session at 7:32 p.m. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Burnett reported that the Historical Preservation Commission is functioning again, and had its first meeting August 2. They elected a chairperson and will move forward.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Burnett said there will be a dog swim at the Aquatic Center on September 5, the day after the pool closes for the season. Animal Control Officer Tom Crew is working with the pool manager and public works director to facilitate the fundraising event. Afterwards, the pool will be drained and the system flushed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mortimer and seconded by Moore.

(8) AYES, (0) NAYS motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.