

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 20, 2017
6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on July 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 415 Blondeau Street, with Mayor Thomas D. Marion presiding and eight council members present, one absent: Mike O'Connor, Mike Moore, Ron Payne, Dan Winn, John Helenthal, Larry Mortimer, Sandy Pollitt, and Roger Bryant. Susan Dunek was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Aaron Burnett, Deputy City Clerk Amy Benson, Public Works Director Mark Boussetot, Code Enforcement Officer Kathie Mahoney, and Fire Chief Gabe Rose.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 6, 2017;
- Receive Council Reports;
- Appointment of Ryals Parker to the Grand Theatre Commission, term to expire November 5, 2020;
- Appointment of Karen Szawiel to the Keokuk Public Library Board, term to expire July 1, 2023;
- Motion to pay the bills and transfers listed within Register No.'s 4939-4941;

Mayor Marion opened the public hearing pertaining to the sale and disposal of properties by the City of Keokuk, Iowa at 6:38 p.m. A public hearing noticed was published in the Daily Gate City on July 14, 2017.

COMMENTS: Burnett said all four of these properties went through a bid process.

Mayor Marion closed the hearing at 6:39 p.m. and the following proposed resolutions were adopted.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 290-17:** "A RESOLUTION DISPOSING OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2528 MAIN STREET BY THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA." (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Winn, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 291-17:** “A RESOLUTION DISPOSING OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1722 CARROLL STREET BY THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 292-17:** “A RESOLUTION DISPOSING OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 423 AND 425 NORTH 10TH STREET BY THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Mortimer to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 293-17:** “A RESOLUTION DISPOSING OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 514 NORTH 12TH STREET BY THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pollitt, Second by Helenthal to approve placement of a Musicians Memorial next to the George M. Verity Museum. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Pollitt said she was on the bus trip looking at several locations for the Memorial and feels this is an excellent location for the Musicians Memorial. Winn thanked Lisa LeMatty for all she has done to put the Memorial together.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 294-17:** “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUGUST 3, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, FOR DISPOSAL OF 728 FULTON. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Moore to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 295-17:** “A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR RETURNED CHECKS AND AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE PAYMENTS.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Mortimer to take off the table a resolution authorizing the demolition of the Unitarian Church building located at 228 North 4th Street and seeking the recovery costs of demolition. (7) AYES, (1) NAY. Motion carried.

Payne stated we had told them on the July 6, 2017 meeting we would give them more time before proceeding with the demolition of the Church, he doesn't feel like two weeks was enough time. In Payne's opinion, once it's gone it's gone. Winn agreed with Payne but feels the Church is too far gone. O'Connor said the bids are substantial and we should accept the low bid.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Moore to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 296-17:** “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEMOLITION OF THE UNITARIAN CHURCH BUILDING LOCATED AT 228 NORTH 4TH STREET AND SEEKING THE RECOVERY COSTS OF DEMOLITION.”

Roll Call Vote: (7) AYES – O’Connor, Moore, Winn, Helenthal, Mortimer, Pollitt and Bryant.
(1) NAY – Payne. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Helenthal and seconded by Mortimer.
(8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.