The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on August 18, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 415 Blondeau Street, with Mayor Thomas D. Marion presiding and seven council members present, two absent: Mike O’Connor, Ron Payne, Dan Winn, Larry Mortimer, Sandy Pollitt, Roger Bryant and Susan Dunek. Mike Moore and John Helenthal were absent.

Mayor’s Correspondence: Mayor Marion informed citizens of Recycle Day to be held September 27, 2016 at Faith Family Church parking lot from 7 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. City Wide Cleanup will be held October 1, 2016 through October 15, 2016 with 2 vouchers per household. Vouchers can be picked up beginning September 26, 2016 during regular hours at City Hall.

Citizen’s Request: None.

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Susan Dunek and seconded by Mike O’Connor. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 4, 2016;
- Minutes of Safety Committee Meeting of August 16, 2016;
- Meyers Courtyard, 629 Blondeau Street, effective August 26, 2016, Class C Liquor License;
- Dr. Get Wells, 1100 Main Street, 1 day outdoor service, effective September 2, 2016, Class C Liquor License.
Now is the time and place for a public hearing for the Rand Park and 5th Street Parking Lot Paver Project. A public hearing notice pertaining to the hearing was published in The Daily Gate City on August 1, 2016.

OPEN HEARING: Mayor Marion opened the hearing at 6:37 p.m.

COMMENT: None

CLOSED HEARING: Mayor Marion closed the hearing at 6:37 p.m. and the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 135-16

WHEREAS, bids were received on August 11, 2016 from three companies to construct the Rand Park and 5th Street Parking Lot Paver Project; now therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA:

THAT, that the contract be awarded to the low bidder D & L Excavating of Liberty, Illinois in the amount of $899,271.00 for the construction of the Rand Park and 5th Street Parking Lot Paver Project.

MOVED BY DUNEK SECONDED BY BRYANT

Passed this 18th day of August, 2016.

ROLL CALL: O’CONNOR – AYE MOORE - ABSENT PAYNE – AYE WINN-
AYE HELENTHAL – ABSENT MORTIMER – AYE POLLITT –
AYE BRYANT – AYE DUNEK - AYE

AYES – 7 NAYS – 0 ABSENT – 2

ATTEST: THOMAS D. MARION, MAYOR

BARB BARNES, CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 136-16

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA:

THAT, Monday, September 12, 2016 at 4:00 P.M. be set as the date and time for the Leachate Hauling from the north Landfill and Thursday, September 15, 2016 at 4:30 P.M. be set as the date and time for a public hearing on the proposed specifications and award of contract for said project.

MOVED BY O’CONNOR SECONDED BY WINN

Passed this 18th day of August, 2016.

ROLL CALL: O’CONNOR – AYE MOORE - ABSENT PAYNE – AYE WINN-
AYE HELENTHAL – ABSENT MORTIMER – AYE POLLITT –
AYE BRYANT – AYE DUNEK - AYE

AYES – 7 NAYS – 0 ABSENT – 2

ATTEST: THOMAS D. MARION, MAYOR

BARB BARNES, CITY CLERK
RESOLUTION NO. 137-16

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA:

THAT, a First Amendment to Agreement with KSB Insurance Services to provide Employee Benefits Consulting Services be approved.

MOVED BY WINN          SECONDED BY O’CONNOR

Passed this 18th day of August, 2016.

ROLL CALL: O’CONNOR – AYE MOORE - ABSENT PAYNE – AYE WINN-
AYE HELENTHAL – ABSENT MORTIMER – AYE POLLITT –
AYE BRYANT – AYE DUNEK - AYE

AYES – 7          NAYS – 0          ABSENT – 2

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THOMAS D. MARION, MAYOR

ATTEST: ___________________________
BARB BARNES, CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 138-16

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA:

THAT, a Proposal to Provide Audit Services from CPA Associates PC for year ended June 30, 2016 be approved.

MOVED BY O’CONNOR          SECONDED BY DUNEK

Passed this 18th day of August, 2016.

ROLL CALL: O’CONNOR – AYE MOORE - ABSENT PAYNE – AYE WINN-
AYE HELENTHAL – ABSENT MORTIMER – AYE POLLITT –
AYE BRYANT – AYE DUNEK - AYE

AYES – 7          NAYS – 0          ABSENT – 2

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THOMAS D. MARION, MAYOR

ATTEST: ___________________________
BARB BARNES, CITY CLERK
RESOLUTION NO. 139-16

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE ELECTION OF THE CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA

WHEREAS, City of Keokuk, is an Iowa Municipality; and

WHEREAS, City of Keokuk shall have, pursuant to the Code of Iowa, a City Clerk as set forth in Section 380.7; and

WHEREAS, City of Keokuk has, in Chapter 14 of Title 2 of Keokuk Municipal code, established the position of City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, City Clerk shall be elected by the City Council on the second secular day of January of each even-numbered year, or as soon as practical thereafter, and shall serve a term of two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, Barb Barnes has continued to serve with distinction as City Clerk, but has set a retirement date of the First Day of January, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The City Council here assembled has duly conducted a search, conforming to the requirements of law, and has hereby elected Jean Marie Ludwig to the Office of City Clerk to fill out the remainder of Ms. Barnes term, beginning January 1, 2017; now therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK IOWA, THAT:

SECTION 1. That the City Council of the City of Keokuk, Iowa, finds that it is in the best interest the City, that beginning immediately, Jean Marie Ludwig has been elected to serve as Acting City Clerk with the full rights and benefits of the office thereto, and shall, upon the resignation of Barb Barnes, effective January 1, 2017, serve out Ms. Barnes two (2) year term as City Clerk, expiring January 3, 2018, subject to the terms and conditions of Chapter 14 of Title 2 of the Keokuk Municipal Code, and the Council hereby formally certifies that election.

SECTION 2. Beginning immediately, and pursuant to Section 2.14.100, Amy M. Benson is appointed as Deputy City Clerk, with such duties and responsibilities as this Council directs or as assigned by the City Clerk.

MOVED BY POLLITT SECONDED BY BRYANT

Passed this 18th day of August, 2016.


AYES – 7 NAYS – 0 ABSENT – 2

ATTEST: ______________________
THOMAS D. MARION, MAYOR

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BARB BARNES, CITY CLERK
Discussion: Gas Rate Case. Lewis Irvin from Latham & Associates discussed Liberty Utilities rate hike, ways to approach the IUB, and asking for help from the Iowa Office of Consumer Advocate. He discussed being organized for the meeting at Hawthorne School on September 15, 2016 and the City buying and operating the expired franchise of Liberty Utilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 140-16

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA:

THAT, alcohol be allowed in Rand Park for a special event on September 3, 2016 with a specific area contained at the Pavilion.

MOVED BY O’CONNOR SECONDED BY BRYANT

Passed this 18th day of August, 2016.


AYES – 7 NAYS – 0 ABSENT – 2

ATTEST: ___________________________
BARB BARNES, CITY CLERK

THOMAS D. MARION, MAYOR

RESOLUTION NO. 141-16

WHEREAS, the list of expenses have been presented to the Finance Committee for review and exceptions, if any, have been noted; now therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA:

THAT, the semi-monthly bills as listed on Register Pages 4874-4877, Checks No. 129412-129532, in the amount of $399,809.51 be approved.

MOVED BY WINN SECONDED BY DUNEK

Passed this 18th day of August, 2016.


AYES – 7 NAYS – 0 ABSENT – 2

ATTEST: ___________________________
BARB BARNES, CITY CLERK

THOMAS D. MARION, MAYOR

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Roger Bryant and seconded by Larry Mortimer. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.