The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on August 17, 2017 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. John Helenthal and Mike Moore were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Aaron Burnett, City Clerk Jean Ludwig, Public Works Director Mark Bousselot, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Code Enforcement Officer Kathie Mahoney, Police Chief Dave Hinton and Fire Chief Gabe Rose.

MAYOR’S CORRESPONDENCE: The Mayor encouraged everyone to attend Rollin’ on the River this weekend. Activities for children will be free of charge.

Motion made by Payne, seconded by Dunek to approve the consent agenda. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 3, 2017;
- Receive Council Reports;
- Renewal Liquor license – RESOLUTION. NO. 308-17 Meyers Courtyard, 629 Blondeau, effective August 27, 2017 - Class C Liquor License;
- RESOLUTION NO. 309-17 West K Mart, 707 Palean Street, effective September 1, 2017, Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- Appointment of Mike Hickey to the SIREPA board of directors, term to expire August 17, 2021;
- Re-appointment of Mike Dunn to the SIREPA board of directors, term to expire August 17, 2020;
- Appointment of Susan Rogers to the Historic Preservation Commission, term to expire September 19, 2020;
- Motion to pay the bills and transfers listed within Register No.’s 4945-4947;

Chuck Mitchell of 126 Concert, Patricia Whiteside of 302 High, Rod Timson of 302 High, Ed West, Jr. of 1308 Blondeau, David Romane of 302 High, Christopher Daly of 101 N. 2nd Street and Barbara Haas of 2036 Logan Drive all spoke to the council regarding the Unitarian Church. All asked the council for more time to work on saving the structure. Burnett said Mr. Plecus would put in $100,000.00 if he could get the deed in his name. Mayor Marion stated that insurance must be in place to protect the City from potential costs due to collapse or injury.
during renovation. Attorney Steve Swan said it would take approximately three weeks to reactivate the corporation and secure insurance.

Consider resolution to approve a bid for demolition of the Unitarian Church. Failed due to lack of a motion.

Motion made by O’Connor, second by Winn to approve a contract for RLF administration with SEIRPC. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Mayor Marion opened the public hearing at 7:38 p.m. 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. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on August 8, 2017.

**COMMENTS:** Burnett said this allows the City to regulate the height of new poles. Broomhall said utilities would have to submit plans for review regarding placement and height of poles. Mayor Marion closed the hearing at 7:42 p.m. and the following proposed resolution was adopted.

Motion made by Dunek, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 310-17: “A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE INITIAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1974 AMENDING 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.”**

Roll Call Vote: (7) AYES – O’Connor, Payne, Winn, Mortimer, Pollitt, Bryant and Dunek. (0) NAYES. Motion carried.

Mayor Marion opened the public hearing at 7:43 p.m. pertaining to the proposals for contracting the movement of the barge currently located in Davenport to Keokuk. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on August 9, 2017.

**COMMENTS:** Burnett presented proposals from J.F. Brennan Company and Newt Marine Service. Brennan has a specific schedule of services and is more than $60,000.00 above the Newt proposal. Council discussed the pros and cons of the proposals. Dunek shared her concerns regarding the limited language and scope of the project included in the Newt proposal.

Mayor Marion closed the hearing at 8:00 p.m. and the following proposed resolution was adopted.
Motion made by Bryant, Second by O’Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 311-17**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSAL FOR THE MOVEMENT OF THE BARGE CURRENTLY LOCATED IN DAVENPORT TO KEOKUK.” (6) AYES, (1) NAY - Dunek. Motion carried.

Motion made by Payne, Second by Dunek to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 312-17**: “A RESOLUTION SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE 5TH STREET PARKING LOT AND RAND PARK PERMEABLE PAVER PROJECT BY D & L EXCAVATING OF LIBERTY, ILLINOIS IN THE AMOUNT OF $ 883,739.01.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYES. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dunek, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 313-17**: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6:30 P.M., SEPTEMBER 7, 2017 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, FOR DISPOSAL OF CITY PROPERTY IN THE JOYCE SUBDIVISION.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Winn, Second by O’Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 314-17**: “A RESOLUTION TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE TASK ORDER #6 WITH HNTB UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS ESTABLISHED IN THE MASTER AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES DATED DECEMBER 4, 2009.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYES. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Bryant, Second by O’Connor. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.