MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 18, 2018
6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on January 18, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 415 Blondeau Street, with Mayor Thomas L. Richardson presiding and six council members present, three absent: Ron Payne, Devon Dade, John Helenthal, Larry Mortimer, Michael Greenwald and Roger Bryant. Mike O’Connor, Mike Moore and Susan Dunek were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Aaron Burnett, City Clerk Jean Ludwig, Public Works Director Mark Bousselot, Police Chief Dave Hinton.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Payne to approve the agenda including the consent agenda. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 4, 2018;
- Receive Council Reports;
- Appointment of Angela Profeta to the Keokuk Barge Commission, term to expire January 1, 2021;
- Appointment of Ryan Uhlmeyer to the Keokuk Barge Commission, term to expire January 1, 2022;
- Sidewalk Display Permit – Joystick, 714 Main Street;
- Motion to pay the bills and transfers listed within Register No.’s 4974-4976;

Motion made by Payne, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 6-18: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1979 REZONING LOTS 1 THROUGH 6, BLOCK 41, REID’S ADDITION; LOTS 1 & 2 FROM R-2, SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO M-2, HEAVY INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT AND LOTS 3, 4, 5 & 6 FROM R-3 TWO FAMILY DWELLING TO M-2, HEAVY INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.”

Roll Call Vote: (6) AYES – Payne, Dade, Helenthal, Mortimer, Greenwald and Bryant. (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Payne to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 7-18: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1980 AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK TO REPEAL CHAPTER 2.50 AND 2.16, AND TO ADOPT CHAPTER 1.5 REGARDING THE METHOD OF CITY ELECTIONS.”
Roll Call Vote: (6) AYES – Payne, Dade, Helenthal, Mortimer, Greenwald and Bryant. (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Dade to amend the resolution title to change the date of the public hearing from February 1, 2018 to February 15, 2018 for disposal of 1113 and 1117 Concert Street. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, Second by Helenthal to approve the amended RESOLUTION NO. 8-18 “SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6:30 P.M., FEBRUARY 15, 2018 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, FOR DISPOSAL OF 1113 AND 1117 CONCERT STREET.” (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Mayor Richardson opened the public hearing at 6:38 p.m. to consider bids received for the replacement of the River Road and Indian Hills Lift Stations. A public notice was published in the Daily Gate City on December 29, 2017.

COMMENTS: Public Works Director Bousselot explained the upgrades were due. It would add capacity and update pumps and controls. Burnett said two bids were within $ 442.00. The slightly higher bid is recommended using the local preference option in the purchasing policy to keep more dollars in the community.

Mayor Richardson closed the public hearing at 6:42 p.m. and the following proposed resolution was adopted.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 9-18: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM KEOKUK CONTRACTORS OF KEOKUK, IOWA FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE RIVER ROAD AND INDIAN HILLS LIFT STATIONS. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Payne, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 10-18: “A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AT THE KEOKUK MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.” Burnett said there is no commitment in passing this resolution. The City is only filing a plan and stating it has merit. If any projects are to be done, they would come before the council for approval. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Mortimer to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 11-18: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6:30 P.M. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, ON A PROPOSAL TO VACATE AND DISPOSE OF A 20’ X 300’ IMPROVED ALLEYWAY IN BLOCK 41 OF REID’S ADDITION, CITY OF
KEOKUK, LEE COUNTY, IOWA AND THAT PROPER NOTICES BE PUBLISHED.”
(6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Burnett said the Historic Preservation Commission met on January 17th. Councilperson Greenwald and former Councilperson Dan Winn have both offered to be on the commission. The commission is hoping to increase grant opportunities and work on the creation of historic districts.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Helenthal, Second by Mortimer. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.