

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**January 4, 2018**  
**6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on January 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 415 Blondeau Street, with Mayor Thomas L. Richardson presiding and seven council members present, two absent: Mike O'Connor, Ron Payne, Devon Dade, Larry Mortimer, Michael Greenwald, 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 Bousset, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Police Chief Dave Hinton and Fire Chief Gabe Rose.

**CITIZEN'S REQUEST:** Bill Smith of 301 N. 16<sup>th</sup> Street spoke to the Council regarding a tourism/veterans project he is working on in coordination with various other groups.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by Dunek to approve the agenda including the consent agenda. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 21, 2017;
- Receive Council Reports;
- Appointment of Roger Houston to the Keokuk Barge Commission, term to expire January 1, 2020;
- Appointment of Pam Horner to the Keokuk Barge Commission, term to expire January 1, 2021;
- Motion to pay the bills and transfers listed within Register No.'s 4972-4973;

Mayor Richardson opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m. to rezone 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. A public notice was published in the Daily Gate City on December 28, 2017.

**COMMENTS:** Community Development Director Pam Broomhall said this request had gone before the Planning Commission with no negative comments. They referred it to the Council for approval.

Mayor Richardson closed the public hearing at 6:41 p.m. and the following proposed resolution was adopted.

Motion made by O'Connor, Second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 1-18:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INITIAL 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: (7) AYES – O'Connor, Payne, Dade, Mortimer, Greenwald, Bryant and Dunek. (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O'Connor, Second by Mortimer to approve rules of City Council Procedure. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O'Connor, Second by Dunek to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 2-18:** "A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE DAILY GATE CITY AS A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION FOR PUBLICATION OF OFFICIAL NOTICES." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O'Connor, Second by Dunek to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 3-18:** "A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES FOR CITY MONIES AND CITY FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$ 8,000,000 PER FINANCIAL INSTITUTION." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Payne, Second by O'Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 4-18:** "A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE ELECTION OF JEAN LUDWIG AS CITY CLERK FROM JANUARY 2, 2018, UNTIL JANUARY 2, 2020." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Payne, Second by Dade to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 5-18:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INITIAL 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."

Burnett said this ordinance would end the run-off provision in city elections, and eliminate the position of City Treasurer, as it is no longer required by state code, nor used for city business.

Roll Call Vote: (6) AYES – O'Connor, Payne, Dade, Mortimer, Greenwald, and Bryant. (1) NAY – Dunek. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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THOMAS L. RICHARDSON, MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
JEAN LUDWIG, CITY CLERK