MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 15, 2018
6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on February 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 415 Blondeau Street, with Mayor Thomas L. Richardson presiding and eight council members present, one absent: Mike O’Connor, Mike Moore, Ron Payne, Devon Dade, John Helenthal, Larry Mortimer, Michael Greenwald, Roger Bryant. Susan Dunek was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Aaron Burnett, City Clerk Jean Ludwig, Public Works Director Mark Bousselot, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, and Fire Chief Gabe Rose.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the agenda including the consent agenda. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 1, 2018;
- Minutes of the special City Council meeting of February 7, 2018;
- Receive Council Reports;
- Appointment of Leah Jones to the Keokuk Area Convention & Tourism Bureau, term to expire December 31, 2021;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 17-18**: Approving Liquor License for Beef, Bread & Brew, 2601 Main Street, effective March 1, 2018 – Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 18-18**: Approving a Liquor License for Keokuk Spirits, 1013 Main Street, effective March 1, 2018 – Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 19-18**: Approving a Liquor License for Lucky’s Irish Pub & Grub, 528 Blondeau Street, Class C Liquor Licenses with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 20-18**: Approving a Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for the following home owner: Robert Erhart, 603 Bank Street, 22’ x 25’ attached garage;
- Appointment of John Moander to the Airport Zoning Commission, term to expire May 5, 2022;
- Motion to pay the bills and transfers listed within Register No.’s 4980-4982;

Mayor Richardson opened the public hearing at 6:35 p.m. for disposal of 1113 and 1117 Concert Street. A public notice was published in the Daily Gate City on January 29, 2018.

**COMMENTS:** Burnett said one proposal was received from the Keokuk Neighborhood Initiative. They intend to build a new home with an attached garage with a value greater than $125,000. The owner will provide financing.
Mayor Richardson closed the hearing at 6:36 p.m. and the following proposed resolution was adopted.

Motion made by Greenwald, Second by O’Connor to approved the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 21-18**: “A RESOLUTION DISPOSING OF 1113 AND 1117 CONCERT STREET.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by O’Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 22-18**: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6:30 P.M., MARCH 15, 2018 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, FOR DISPOSAL OF 619 & 623 MAIN STREET.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O’Connor, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 23-18**: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6:30 P.M., MARCH 15, 2018 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 BLONDEAU STREET, FOR DISPOSAL OF 614, 616, 618, 620, 624, 626 AND 628 MAIN STREET.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O’Connor, Second by Mortimer to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 24-18**: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MARCH 1, 2018 ON THE PROPOSED 2018-2019 CITY BUDGET.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by O’Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 25-18**: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A DATE AND TIME FOR A BID OPENING AND PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION - PHASE 1 PROJECT.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moore, Second by Mortimer to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 26-18**: “A RESOLUTION TO REALLOCATE FUNDS TO EXPAND THE NORTH BOAT RAMP NEAR THE KEOKUK YACHT CLUB.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Payne, Second by Greenwald to approve the Commercial Contractors Façade Grant request located at 21 South 9th Street. Burnett said this small grant leveraged a large improvement to this property. He encouraged other businesses to reach out to Main Street or the City for more information. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by Payne to approve engagement letter for three years with Anderson, Larkin & Co. P.C. to provide audit services. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O’Connor, Second by Bryant to receive audit report for Fiscal Year 2017 and place on file. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.
Motion made by Payne, Second by Bryant to approve Keokuk Parks Foundation request to resurface the 5th Street tennis courts to six (6) pickleball courts per recommendation of the Keokuk Park & Recreation Advisory Board if fundraising goals are met. Karole Smith of 2468 Belknap Blvd. spoke to the Council asking permission to write grants and raise funds to turn the 5th Street tennis courts into six pickleball courts. Pickleball is growing in popularity. Resurfacing and repairing cracks, marking courts and putting up nets would be $47,200. A 25 year warranty would be $101,900. They have a recommendation from the Park & Recreation Advisory Board, which has also pledged $5,000.00 towards the project. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O’Connor, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 27-18**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBMITTAL OF A CLEAN WATER SRF WATER RESOURCE RESTORATION SPONSORED PROGRAM APPLICATION – PHASE 3. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Helenthal, Second by O’Connor. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.