

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 7, 2019
6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on February 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at 1721 Fulton Street. Mayor Thomas L. Richardson, called the meeting to order. There were seven council members present, two absent. Mike O'Connor, Devon Dade, John Helenthal, Larry Mortimer, Michael Greenwald, Roger Bryant and Susan Dunek were present. Ron Payne and Mike Moore were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Jean Ludwig, Public Works Director Mark Bousset, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Code Enforcement & Housing Official Kathie Mahoney and Police Chief Dave Hinton.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: The Mayor discussed the fire at City Hall and thanked the many businesses and individuals that came forward to help in the recovery effort. Temporary offices will be set up on the 3rd floor of the Pilot Grove Bank, 601 Main Street.

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

- Minutes of the Safety Committee meeting of December 18, 2018;
- Cash Receipts for December 2018;
- Minutes of the Budget Workshop meeting of January 14, 2019;
- Minutes of the Council Workshop & regular City Council meeting of January 17, 2019;
- Minutes of the Safety Committee meeting of January 22, 2019;
- Minutes of the Budget Workshop meeting of January 28, 2019;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 194-19:** Approving a Liquor License for Keokuk Spirits, 1013 Main Street, effective March 1, 2019 – Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 195-19:** Approving an Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Robert & Kristal King, 1428 Timea Street, accessory building, and Ivan Parrish, 1780 Hilton Road, accessory building, Jeff & Jaime Bair, 40 Hilton Road Court, single family dwelling w/attached garage, Douglas Seabold, 701 Boulevard Road, accessory building;
- Appointment of Michael Marsden to the Keokuk Library Trustees, term to expire July 1, 2024;
- Motion to pay the bills and transfers listed within Register No.'s 5049-5052;

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m. on a proposed Amendment No. 4 to the amended and restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan in the City of Keokuk, State of Iowa. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on February 1, 2019.

The Mayor announced there was a change in venue for the public hearing from what was published in the newspaper due to a fire at City Hall. The City Council was informed that no consultation meeting was held to discuss the Amendment with the affected taxing entities, as the Amendment does not provide for the use of tax increment financing within the area added to the Urban Renewal Area by the Amendment, and no new projects to be financed with Tax Increment Financing are included in the Amendment.

There were no comments and the public hearing was left open until the February 21, 2019 Council meeting.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 6:43 p.m. on a mill and fill project on South 21st from Timea to the alley between Exchange and Johnson and Bank Street from 22nd to 18th, & South 16th & 17th from Main Street to Johnson Street. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on February 1, 2019.

The Mayor announced there was a change in venue for the public hearing from what was published in the newspaper, due to a fire at City Hall.

There were no comments and the public hearing was left open until the February 21, 2019 Council meeting.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 6:46 p.m. on the mill and fill project on South 13th from Palean to Johnson Street. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on February 1, 2019.

The Mayor announced there was a change in venue for the public hearing from what was published in the newspaper, due to a fire at City Hall.

There were no comments and the public hearing was left open until the February 21, 2019 Council meeting.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 196-19:** “A RESOLUTION SETTING THE WAGE FOR THE POSITION OF BRIDGE, PARK, CEMETERY AND SANITATION MANAGER.” (6) AYES, (1) NAY (O’Connor). Motion carried.

Motion made by O’Connor, Second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 197-19:** “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CIVIL RIGHTS POLOCIES REQUIRED BY THE IOWA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

(CDBG) GRANT REGARDING CITY OF KEOKUK POINT REPAIR PROJECT #17-WS-016.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by O’Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 198-19:** “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ISSUANCE OF \$ 1.4 MILLION GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O’Connor, Second by Mortimer to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 199-19:** “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ISSUANCE OF \$ 400,000.00 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 200-19:** “A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING MIKE PRIBYL TO THE SEIRPC REGIONAL REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dunek, Second by Mortimer to amend the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 201-19:** “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH J & M DISPLAYS FOR THE ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

The following resolution was then presented:

WHEREAS, the City of Keokuk has sponsored a firework display in conjunction with the July 4th Celebration for several years, and
WHEREAS, Mr. Lenny Etter has presented a FIREWORKS DISPLAY AGREEMENT for the fireworks display, and
WHEREAS, the City Attorney has reviewed the contract and found it to be in order.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the agreement with J & M Displays for the annual fireworks display.

Passed this 7th day of February 2019.

Motion made by Bryant, Second by Mortimer to approve the amended resolution. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dunek, Second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 202-19:** “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MARCH 7, 2019 ON PROPOSED 2019-2020 CITY BUDGET.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS: Dunek said the Community Garden Committee had a meeting on February 4 and have scheduled another meeting for February 18.

O'Donnell reported on the following: RABGRAI, Evaluation Goals, Election Law Changes, Grand Avenue/Shipleigh Construction mediation, Budget Review meeting, and fire recovery.

NEW BUSINESS: Linda Marsden asked the city staff to continue work towards getting council meeting information to the public.

There being no further business presented, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.