

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 3, 2019
1721 Fulton Street
6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on October 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at 1721 Fulton Mayor Thomas L. Richardson, called the meeting to order. There were eight council members present, one absent. Mike O'Connor, Ron Payne, Devon Dade, John Helenthal, Larry Mortimer, Michael Greenwald, Roger Bryant and Susan Dunek were present. Mike Moore was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Jean Ludwig, Public Works Director Mark Boussetot, and Community Development Director Pam Broomhall.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Announced the following: City Wide Cleanup continues until October 12th, Council meeting will return to 500 N. 20th on October 17th, volunteers needed for Cemetery Tombstone repairs October 12, Fright Night is October 19, the Mayor read a Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness month.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Heard from representatives of Domestic Violence Intervention Program. Heard from Brett Longnecker regarding a possible food drive up window in the alley at the old Tee Pee Lounge, 17 N. 4th Street.

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

- Minutes of the Council Workshop & regular City Council meeting of September 19, 2019;
- Minutes of the Safety Committee Meeting of August 27 and September 24, 2019;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 331-19:** "Approving a Liquor License for Columbian Room, 11 North 6th Street, effective October 23, 2019 – Class A Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 332-19:** "Approving a Liquor License for Aldi, Inc. #15, 3379 Main Street, effective October 22, 2019 – Class C Beer Permit with Sunday Sales;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5096-5098;

Mayor Richardson opened the public hearing at 6:43 p.m. on a proposed granting of a franchise to operate a natural gas utility within the City of Keokuk, Iowa. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on September 24, 2019.

No comments were received. Mayor Richardson closed the public hearing at 6:43 p.m.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the initial reading of an ordinance on proposed granting of a franchise to operate a natural gas utility within the City of Keokuk, Iowa.

ROLL CALL VOTE: (8) AYES – O'Connor, Payne, Dade, Mortimer, Greenwald, Helenthal, Bryant and Dunek. (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to waive the second and third/final reading of an ordinance on proposed granting of a franchise to operate a natural gas utility within the City of Keokuk, Iowa.

ROLL CALL VOTE: (8) AYES – O’Connor, Payne, Dade, Mortimer, Greenwald, Helenthal, Bryant and Dunek. (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mortimer, Second by Helenthal to adopt and give final approval of **ORDINANCE NO. 1998** on proposed granting of a franchise to operate a natural gas utility within the City of Keokuk, Iowa. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the initial reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 11.04 – Oakland Cemetery naming cemetery trustees.(No action taken).

O’Donnell asked the council to table the initial reading until language is clarified. Motion to table by Payne, Second by Mortimer. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by O’Connor, Second by Dunek to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 333-19**: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR OCTOBER 17, 2019 TO DISPOSE OF CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE, 606 AND 608 CONCERT STREET.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 334-19**: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE MOLD REMOVAL AT THE SID CENTER.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Committee vacancy/term expirations - 1st notice: Discussed expired terms, vacancies, appointments, and the continued need for some boards and commissions.

Motion made by Helenthal, Second by Bryant to enter closed session to discuss strategy with council in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. 21.5(c) Iowa Code

ROLL CALL VOTE: (8) AYES – O’Connor, Payne, Dade, Mortimer, Greenwald, Helenthal, Bryant and Dunek. (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Entered closed session at 7:08 p.m.

Re-entered open session at 7:21 p.m.

STAFF REPORTS: O’Donnell discussed the following SID Center, CIP (Capital Improvement Planning), PureVision Company, City Hall building update, Sound System for meetings.

There being no further business, Mayor Richardson adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.