

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**February 18, 2021**  
**500 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on February 18, 2021 at 500 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor Thomas L. Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There were eight council members present, none absent. Mike O'Connor, Linda Altheide, Devon Dade, Steve Andrews, Linda Marsden, and Roger Bryant were present in person. John Helenthal and Susan Dunek were present by phone, Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, Deputy City Clerk Amy Benson, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Public Works Director Robert Helenthal, Bridge, Park, Cemetery and Sanitation Manager Bob Weis were present in person. Fire Chief Gabe Rose was present by phone. All measures will be by roll call.

**MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE:** Welcomed Suzanne Payne to the meeting. Thanked Linda Marsden for volunteering to re-work the City website. Congratulated Kevin Church on his retirement and thanked him for his 30 plus years of service on the Keokuk Police Department.

Motion made by Marsden, second by Altheide to appoint Roslyn Garcia as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Council Member. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried. Roslyn Garcia was then sworn in by Mayor Richardson and took her seat at the council table.

Motion made by Bryant, second by O'Connor to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Safety Committee meeting of January 19, 2021;
- Minutes of the Council Workshop and Regular City Council meeting of February 4, 2021;
- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's Report for January, 2021;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 211-21:** Approving a Liquor License for Lucky's Irish Pub and Grub, 528 Blondeau Street, effective March 3, 2021 – Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 212-21:** Approving an Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for: Daniel McClain, 1713 Bank Street, detached garage;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5192-5194;

Mayor Richardson opened the public hearing at 6:36 p.m. on USDA Community Programs Grant Application for Runway Light Project. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on February 8, 2021.

Heard comments. Mayor Richardson then closed the public hearing at 6:37 p.m.

Motion made by O'Connor, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 213-21:** "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDS FROM THE USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT FOR RUNWAY LIGHT PROJECT." (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Mayor Richardson opened the public hearing at 6:38 p.m. on the proposed fiscal year 2021 2022 property tax levy. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on February 5, 2021.

Heard comments. Mayor Richardson then closed the public hearing at 6:39 p.m.

Motion made by Altheide, second by O'Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 214-21:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS FOR FY 2021-2022." (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Marsden, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 215-21:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AQUATIC CENTER MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH HOERNER YMCA." (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:** O'Donnell reported a vacancy on the Rand Park Pavilion Board, two vacancies on the Grand Theatre Commission and second notification for Phil Dunek on the Board of Adjustment.

**STAFF REPORTS:** O'Donnell reported on the following: 365 Carbide Lane property, City Hall Project, SID Center and the Riverfront Trail.

**CITIZEN'S REQUEST:** Mayor Richardson said Linda Marsden has volunteered to assist any council members set up a social media page. A protest letter was sent to Iowa Utilities Board protesting Liberty Gas rate increase.

There being no further business, Mayor Richardson adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.