

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 18, 2022
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on August 18, 2022 at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were seven council members present, one vacant & one absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Linda Altheide, Roslyn Garcia, John Helenthal (entered at 5:32), Steve Andrews, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Dan Winn was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Water Treatment Plant Manager Tom Wills, Police Chief Dave Hinton, Sewer Dept. Manager Michael Clark, Housing Enforcement Casey Barnes as well as other city employees.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Updated on events going on in Keokuk and surrounding area.

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

- Minutes of the Council Workshop & Regular City Council meeting of August 4, 2022;
- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's report for July 2022;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 114-2022** Approving off premise 5-day Liquor License for Lucky's Irish Pub & Grub, effective September 2-6, 2022 – Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales (Special Movie Night Event);
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5289-5291;

Mayor Mahoney opened the public hearing at 5:33 p.m. on the implementation of Franchise Fees on Electric Utility Services. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on Friday, August 12, 2022.

COMMENTS: O'Donnell gave overview and read memo from Alliant Energy regarding billing rates/classes.

No further comments were received , Mayor Mahoney closed the public hearing at 5:45 p.m.

Motion made by Crenshaw, second by Helenthal to table the initial reading of a Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2018, granting to Interstate Power & Light Company, its successors, and assigns, a non-exclusive twenty-five-year franchise to acquire, construct, erect, maintain and operate an electric system in the City of Keokuk, Iowa and to furnish and sell electric energy to the city and its inhabitants and requiring said company to pay a franchise fee to the city. Tabled Motion made by Garcia, second by Crenshaw to approve the initial reading of an ordinance amending the employee residency requirements.

Roll Call Vote: (6) AYES – Crenshaw, Altheide, Garcia, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald, (1) NAY – Helenthal. (1) ABSENT – Winn, (1) VACANT. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 115-2022**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING REVISED PURCHASING POLICY FOR THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 116-2022**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING HIRING BONUS FOR CERTIFIED OFFICERS.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 117-2022**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING RESIDENCY INCENTIVE FOR SWORN POLICE OFFICERS.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Helenthal to approve fourth quarter financials. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Greenwald to approve adjustment to a sewer bill for the filling of a swimming pool. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: Final notification of Risa Langedal to Keokuk Housing Authority, 2-year term to expire 9/5/2024. Motion made by Garcia, second by Andrews. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Second notification for Brian Carroll (Eng. Tech) term to exp 9/19/2023, Vacancy (Electrician) term to exp 9/19/2023, Susan Hanan (General) term to exp 9/19/2024, Dave Dye (Plumbing Bldg.) term to exp 9/19/2024, Dev Kiedaisch (Human Rights) term to exp 9/19/2024, Terry Twitchell (Bldg. Cont.) term to exp 9/19/2025 to Building & Housing Advisory Board, 3-year terms.

First notification of Sylvia Mills-Echols to the Rand Park Pavilion Commission, 5-year term to expire 10/22/2025.

Kyle Myers spoke on behalf of Historic Preservation Commission regarding reconstruction/preservation of the historic Bawden house located at 21 N. 3rd Street. Commission requesting funds from the city to assist with preservation.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS: Garcia reported she is involved in a small group that is applying for a historic signage grant for Oakland Cemetery.

STAFF REPORTS: Wills updated on operations/issues at WPC. Informed digesters are not functioning and presented 2 bids to council for repair; C. Barnes informed of demolition project at 116 N. 7th Street; O'Donnell reported on ADM violations/noncompliance, Shelly Oltman's resignation as Director of Keokuk Chamber of Commerce, and rail bridge assistance.

Motion made by Helenthal, second by Bryant to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m.