

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 16, 2023
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on February 16, 2023 at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were seven council members present, two absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Roslyn Garcia, Shelley Oltmans, John Helenthal, Dan Tillman, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Linda Altheide, Steve Andrews were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Sewer Department Manager Michael Clark, Chief of Police Zeth Baum, Fire Chief Gabe Rose, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills, and Bridge, Park, Cemetery, and Sanitation Manager Bob Weis.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Reported on meeting with Insight, the organization intending to open emergency services/hospital in Keokuk.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Amanda Rogers of The Best You Coalition gave an update on the organization and upcoming projects.

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

- Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting & Council Workshop of February 2, 2023;
- Minutes of the Council Budget Workshop of February 4, 2023;
- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's Report for January 2023;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 187-2023:** Approving a Liquor License for Lucky's Irish Pub and Grub, 529 Blondeau Street, effective March 3, 2023 – Class C Retail Alcohol License (pending dram);
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5324-5325;

Motion made by Garcia, second by Bryant to approve initial reading an Ordinances of the City of Keokuk, Iowa amending Chapter 9.90 regarding operation of off-road utility vehicles and golf carts.

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Garcia, Oltmans, Helenthal, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – None. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, second by Garcia to waive the 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance.

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Garcia, Oltmans, Helenthal, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – None. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Oltmans to adopt and give final approval of **ORDINANCE NO. 2037**: Amending Chapter 9.90 regarding operation of off-road utility vehicles and golf carts (adding safety belts for required equipment for golf carts and remove sunset clause).

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Garcia, Oltmans, Helenthal, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – None. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 188-2023**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR FIREWORK DISPLAY WITH J&M DISPLAYS.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Helenthal, second by Oltmans to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 189-2023**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Garcia to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 190-2023**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH LYNCH DALLAS, PC.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 191-2023**: “A RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR RAND PARK POND RESTORATION.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried. Citizen Dorothy Cackley expressed concern and asked council to reconsider project/alternatives.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 192-2023**: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,995,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES AND LEVYING A TAX FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Garcia to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 193-2023**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A FORM OF LOAN AND DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA AND THE IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR ISSUANCE AND SECURING THE PAYMENT OF \$3,160,000 TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING CAPITAL LOAN NOTES, SERIES 2023B, OF THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF IOWA, AND PROVIDING FOR A METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SAID NOTES.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made Greenwald, second by Garcia to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 194-2023**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A FORM OF LOAN AND DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA AND THE IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR ISSUANCE AND SECURING THE PAYMENT OF \$1,383,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING CAPITAL LOAN NOTES, SERIES 2023C, AND PROVIDING FOR A METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SAID NOTES: APPROVAL OF THE TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE.” (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tillman, second by Oltmans to approve evaluation by an engineer for 629 Main Street paid for by ARPA funds. (6) AYES, (1) ABSTAIN – Crenshaw, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: Second notification for Angela Gates to the Historic Preservation Commission fulfilling 3-year term to expire 9/1/2025.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Tillman to approve the Mayoral Appointment for Katherine Marion to the Keokuk Public Library Board fulfilling a 6-year term to expire 7/1/2025. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS: Garcia reported for Oakland Cemetery Initiative and plan for a 5k in July.

STAFF REPORTS: Broomhall updated on receipt of neighborhood planning grant; Wills reported on digester cleaning and potential revenue stream; Carroll updated on 18th street and various public works projects; Baum advised on status of testing for the department.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Oltmans to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m.