

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 4, 2020
500 N. 20th Street
6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on June 4, 2020 at 500 N. 20th Street. Mayor Thomas L. Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There were eight council members present, one absent. Mike O'Connor, Linda Altheide, Ron Payne, Devon Dade, Steve Andrews, Michael Greenwald, and Roger Bryant were present in person. John Helenthal was present by phone. Susan Dunek was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Jean Ludwig and Community Development Director Pam Broomhall were present in person. Public Works Director Robert Helenthal, Chief of Police Dave Hinton, Fire Chief Gabe Rose and Bridge, Park, Cemetery and Sanitation Manager Bob Weis were present by phone.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Congratulated the graduating class of 2020. Noted two peaceful protests over the tragic death of George Floyd. Keokuk Association for Rights and Equality is organizing another protest. Noted parks are open – please practice social distancing. Pickleball court project will begin soon with an expected completion date of July 31st. Rand Park Pavilion will have a concert June 13th at 7:00pm. Urged residents to support local businesses.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Dorothy Cackley requested documents on the Elkem property acquisition be made public. Jeannie Rose requested the pool open for the season.

Motion made by Bryant, second by O'Connor to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Council Workshop & regular City Council meeting of May 21, 2020;
- Minutes of the Keokuk Municipal Airport meetings of May 11 & 18, 2020;
- Minutes of the Civil Service Commission of May 30, 2020 and list of Candidates for the Keokuk Police Department;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 91-20:** Approving an Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Georgette Galbreath, 1627 Carroll Street, single family dwelling;
- Cigarette Permits July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2020;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5146-5147;

Old Business:

Tabled Item: Resolution directing the closure of the Keokuk Municipal Aquatic Center for the 2020 season and reallocating certain funds.

Motion made by Altheide, second by Helenthal to remove from table. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made at the May 21st council meeting by Helenthal, second by Altheide to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 92-20**: “A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLOSURE OF THE KEOKUK MUNICIPAL AQUATIC CENTER FOR THE 2020 SEASON AND REALLOCATING CERTAIN FUNDS.” (5) AYES, (3) NAYS. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES – O’Connor, Altheide, Payne, Helenthal and Bryant. NAYS – Dade, Andrews, and Greenwald. Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Payne to approve the initial reading of an ordinance repealing Title 22, Floodplain management of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Keokuk, Iowa and creating a new Title 22, Floodplain Management.

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

Motion made by Helenthal, second by Payne to waive the second and third/final reading of an ordinance repealing Title 22, Floodplain management of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Keokuk, Iowa and creating a new Title 22, Floodplain Management.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2006 repealing Title 22, Floodplain management of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Keokuk, Iowa and creating a new Title 22, Floodplain Management. ((8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 93-20: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SALE OF CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 811 EXCHANGE STREET, PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE CHAPTER 364.7.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 94-20: “A RESOLUTION SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AUTHORIZATION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$ 695,000 SOLID WASTE REVENUE CAPITAL LOAN NOTES, OF KEOKUK, IOWA.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 95-20: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO HEIL AUTOMATED FRONT LOADER GARBAGE TRUCKS.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 96-20: “A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF CHUCK PIETSCHER AS WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY SUPERINTENDENT.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 97-20: “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY SUPERINTENDENT AND SETTING SALARY.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-20: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADJUSTMENT IN SEWER CHARGES RELATED TO THE FILLING OF SWIMMING POOLS.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed resolution authorizing acquisition of surface and overhead avigation easement from JLM Farms pursuant to purchase agreement. After discussion, motion by Payne, second by O’Connor to table the resolution. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion to table approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 99-20: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF SURFACE AND OVERHEAD AVIGATIN EASEMENT FROM SHAWN AND MICHELLE SAPP PURSUANT TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 100-20: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF SURFACE AND OVERHEAD AVIGATIN EASEMENT FROM ROGER D. AND SHARON R. KOKEMULLER PURSUANT TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 101-20: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF SURFACE AND OVERHEAD AVIGATIN EASEMENT FROM ROBERT AND JILL GULL PURSUANT TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 102-20: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 103-20: “A RESOLUTION AMENDING KEOKUK CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 76-20 THAT DISPOSED OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 827 BANK STREET, KEOKUK, IOWA.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 104-20: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING TITLE VI NON-DISCRIMINATION AGREEMENT AND ADOPTING NON-DISCRIMINATION ASSURANCES.” (8) AYES (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 105-20: “A RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF POLICE OFFICER TRAINING EXPENSES.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 106-20: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION’S STATE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A TRAIL ALONG THE RIVERFRONT CONNECTING VICTORY PARK TO HUBINGER LANDING. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 107-20: “A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING JUST COMPENSATION VALUE PRIOR TO START OF NEGOTIATIONS.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 108-20: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 4TH OF JULY DISPLAY BEING MOVED FROM RAND PARK TO VICTORY PARK.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Bryant to approve non-union wage and salaries for fiscal year 2020-2021. (7) AYES, (1) NAY-Payne. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: First report of nominations: Richard Beard, Depot Commission, term to expire 6/1/2021. Second report of nomination Depot Commission: Sandy Seabold, Mike Hickey and John Tweedy, four-year terms to expire 6/1/2024.

STAFF REPORTS: Broomhall reported that Custom Brick and Stone has begun work at 625 Main. O’Donnell reported on the following: Airport Manager, SID Center, re-opening council meetings to the public as COVID-19 restrictions are relaxed.

There being no further business, Mayor Richardson adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.