

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 4, 2021
500 N. 20th Street
6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on February 4, 2021 at 500 N. 20th Street. Mayor Thomas L. Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There were seven council members present, one absent. Mike O'Connor, Linda Altheide, Devon Dade, Steve Andrews, Linda Marsden, and Roger Bryant were present in person. Susan Dunek was present by phone, John Helenthal was absent. Due to the death of Ron Payne 3rd Ward is now vacant. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Jean Ludwig, Public Works Director Robert Helenthal, Sewer Manager Michael Clark and Bridge, Park, Cemetery and Sanitation Manager Bob Weis were present in person. Community Development Director Pam Broomhall and Police Chief Dave Hinton were present by phone. All measures will be by roll call.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Richardson is writing a letter to the Iowa Utilities Board in opposition to the Liberty Utilities rate increase. Connection Bank has offered to let the city keep any furniture that may be useful from 501 Main. An inventory of what the city will keep has been completed.

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

- Minutes of the Council Workshop and Regular City Council meeting of January 21, 2021;
- Minutes of the Special Budget Meeting of January 26, 2021;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 208-21:** Approving an Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for: Jo Ann Scanlan, 2005 Palean, single family dwelling; Michael Dolan, 409 Hawthorne Place, detached garage; Jerry & Carol Hill, 611 N. 7th Street, restoration single family dwelling; Johnathan & Justina Mortimer, 3372 Middle Road, single family dwelling;
 - ◆ Doug & Alicia Dresden, 2926 Sunset Terrace, garage addition;
 - ◆ Sheila Sapp, 808 Johnson St. Rd., garage addition;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5190-5191;

Motion made by Altheide, second by O'Connor to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 209-21:** A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON USDA COMMUNITY PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION FOR RUNWAY LIGHT PROJECT. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Altheide, second by Dade to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 210-21:** A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROPERTY TAX LEVY. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: O'Donnell reported vacancies on the Rand Park Pavilion Commission and the Grand Theater Commission. First report of nomination of Phil Dunek to the Board of Adjustment.

STAFF REPORTS: O'Donnell reported on 365 Carbide Lane, City Hall project, and proposed changes to the Municipal Police & Fire Retirement System.

There being no further business, Mayor Richardson adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.