June 27, 2022

City Council Meeting Minutes

The June 27, 2022 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Pro Tem Bill Hosch. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Hosch, Delaney, Oliphant and Rausch answered roll call. Knepper and Kelchen were excused.

Motion Rausch, second Oliphant to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the items in the consent agenda including City Council Minutes 6/13/22 and Liquor License Renewals for Textile Brewing Co and Kalmes Club 528. Motion Delaney, second Rausch. Motion carried.

Staff from ECIA were present to answer questions from contractors and elected officials regarding a proposed program to have ECIA staff complete building permit and inspection duties for the City. The first concern was higher fees. This will be discussed again at the next City Council meeting.

The Council will hold off on a final water and sewer connection fee ordinance decision until a determination has been made on the future of the building inspections.

Motion Delaney, second Oliphant to approve hiring Eastern Iowa Excavating and Concrete to repair a storm sewer manhole in the alley west of Hwy 136 between 1st and 2nd Aves NW in the amount of $9426. Motion carried.   
  
Motion Delaney, second Oliphant to approve hiring Eastern Iowa Excavating and Concrete to repair concrete on the 1st Ave E trail in the amount of $2050.40. Motion carried.  
  
The Council discussed the future of the residential and commercial garbage service contract and 3 options: to negotiate a one-year extension to the current contract with Republic Services, to re-negotiate a long-term contract with Republic Services or do a complete, new Request for Proposals with all companies. The Council also discussed the current City Ordinance and changes that should be addressed so that the contract aligns with current services and what services, if any, they would like to allow other haulers to provide within the City. This will be discussed again at the next meeting.   
  
Resolution No 35-22 Approving a Second Stop Sign on 7th Street SE at Adams Street. Motion Delaney, second Oliphant, motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.  
  
Motion Rausch, second Delaney to solicit Request for Proposals for IT services and bring proposals back to the City Council. Motion carried.

The Chief and elected officials reminder citizens that fireworks are not allowed to be shot off in the City and that it can be traumatic to veterans and animals. The Lion’s Club was thanked for providing the upcoming 4th of July event.

Kotter reported the City staff will be sealcoating and crack filling in August.

Motion Oliphant , second Rausch to adjourn the meeting at 7:15p.m. Motion carried.

Lisa A. Kotter, Interim City Administrator William Hosch, Mayor Pro-tem