July 11, 2022

City Council Meeting Minutes

The July 11, 2022 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Steve Knepper. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Hosch, Kelchen, Oliphant and Rausch answered roll call. Delaney was excused.

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

Council reviewed the items in the consent agenda including City Council Minutes 6/27/22, Library Board Minutes 6/27/22 and 7/5/22, July Claims, June Financial Reports and Fund Balances and a new Liquor License for Moski’s BBQ. Motion Oliphant, second Kelchen. Motion carried.

In September 2021 the Cycling Club made a donation to the City to be put towards the paving of the Coohey Trail. At that meeting the members requested two benches be purchased in the Club’s name. No action was taken at that time and that 2022 Fiscal Year has since been closed. Motion Hosch, second Oliphant to purchase a $2,000 park bench in honor of the Cycling Club due to the request the Club members originally made. The City Council will consider a second bench in the 2024 Fiscal Year.

The Council plans to consider a contract with ECIA to perform most building inspection services. Motion Oliphant, second Hosch to direct staff to bring back contract documents with ECIA and proposed ordinance changes needed. Motion carried.

Staff was directed to bring back a new Ordinance for consideration that would change the water and sewer connections fees. The proposed connection fees are: January 1, 2023 - $150 each for water and sewer, January 1 - 2025 $200 each for water and sewer and January 1, 2027 - $250 each for water and sewer.  
  
Staff was directed to request prices on one, two and three year extension prices for the weekly garbage service contract with Republic Services. There will also be a proposed ordinance change that will provide clarification on garbage removal procedures.   
  
Resolution No 36-22 Approving Acceptance of 2nd Ave SE Contract Work. Motion Kelchen, second Rausch, motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.  
  
The City Council will hold a special City Council Meeting date on July 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to meet with consultant Cindy Kendall on Office duties and procedures.

The upcoming Urban Renewal Plan Amendment was discussed and will include a proposal to add land and/or incentives for Cascade Lumber, Eastern Iowa Excavating and Concrete, Triple B Properties, the Public Library, Iowa Main Street Investments, and future downtown parking and walk path.

Resolution No 37-22 Approving Contributions to Community Groups. Motion Hosch, second Rausch, motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.  
  
Motion Hosch, second Oliphant to adjourn the meeting at 7:30p.m. Motion carried.

Lisa A. Kotter, Interim City Administrator Steven Knepper, Mayor