

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Craig Brown, Patti Durlinger, Mike McClure and Jerry Potts. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Shirley Stacey was absent.

Motion by Brown to approve the agenda, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Consent Agenda consisted of minutes from the regular revised minutes April 11, 2017 and special meeting minutes April 25, 2017. Motion by Potts to approve minutes, second by Durlinger, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the bill from McDaniel's Racing and Automotive. The public works employees will start to do some repairs themselves. Motion by Brown to authorize bills, second by Durlinger, all aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS – Motion by McClure to authorize a fence permit at 601 Elm Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by McClure to allow a variance for a 6ft high fence in the front yard at 601 Elm Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by McClure to allow a building permit at 211 Caster Street, second by Durlinger, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to allow a liquor license for Chommy's, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on 101 8th Street. Mayor Potts explained to the council that he has agreed to allow the property owner to have the repairs completed by the end of the summer.

Diana Harness was present to discuss her concerns on 9th Street.

City Clerk – Motion by McClure to purchase a new copier in the amount of \$3600.00 from Bailey's Office, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried. Carrie Teninty will find out more information on the maintenance agreement.

Carrie Teninty updated the council on the survey done on High Street. The surveying is complete. The pins have to be set and the plat is not complete. When the pins are set and a plat is complete a meeting will be scheduled with the property owners.

Carrie Teninty updated the council on the facility plan for the IDNR. Phone conference will be held on Thursday with IDNR. This is mandatory for the updates that are required for the lagoons.

Carrie Teninty explained to the council that an extension was requested for the nuisance abatement at 213 W Walnut. Consensus of the council was to allow a ninety day extension.

Public Works – Discussion was held on the lift station. The city will continue to work with Warner Engineering.

Fire Department – Washington Township members were present to discuss a 28E Agreement with the city. Mr. Zingg will work on the agreement and present at the next council meeting.

Linda Manley was present to discuss the dead tree in front of the fire station. The fire department has someone willing to remove the dead tree at no cost. Consensus of the council was to allow the removal at no cost as long as they provide proof of insurance. The tree will be replaced if a grant is obtained from Trees Forever.

Discussion was held on the generator at the fire station. Craig Brown is still working on the generator.

Library – Suzanne Streeby was present to update the council on the project at the library.

Cemetery – No report.

Trails/Parks – Donna Jeffrey was present to ask for authorization to purchase flowers and mulch for the Rock Island Park. Motion by Potts to allow \$100.00 for flowers and to purchase fifty bags of mulch, second by Durlinger, all aye, motion carried. The money will come out of LOST fund.

Engineer – No report.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received. Sarah Camp was present to update the city council on the activities scheduled for the American Gothic House Center.

Historic Preservation – Linda Durflinger was present to update the council on the Lockkeepers house. Motion by Durflinger to allow the payment of \$16500.00 for the mortar work, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried. Half of the invoice will be paid now and the other half will be paid when the project is complete.

Eldon Athletic Club – No report.

Playground – No report.

OLD BUSINESS – One sealed bid was received from Christy Construction in the amount of \$3858.00 and the bid from last month was used for McClure Concrete in the amount of \$4116.50 for the 9th Street repairs and storm sewer repair. Motion by Brown to allow the bid from McClure Concrete, second by Potts, McClure abstained, Durflinger yes, motion carried.

Holly Berg was present to discuss the CDBG. Consensus was to allow proceeding with the procurement.

Discussion was held on the old metal stairs at the city shop. A list of available items to purchase will be made. This list may be obtained at city hall. Open bids will be taken until June 13, 2017 at 4:00pm.

Discussion was held on the playground equipment being installed at the ball field. Consensus was to obtain bids to place the equipment at the ball field.

Mayor Potts updated the council on the repairs that need to be done to city hall and the repairs that have been done.

Discussion on the clinic building was tabled.

Discussion on a proposal from Cardinal Community School District was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS – Discussion was held on parking on 8th Street to 9th Street on the north side. Carrie Teninty will update the ordinance to include no parking. This will be on the agenda at the June meeting.

Consensus was to table Ordinance 347 until the June meeting.

Mr. Zingg will do more research on the sign height.

Public Forum – Linda Pool was present to discuss the posting of the agendas. She will post the agenda at the post office and bank in the future.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION – Mike McClure asked about the email that was included in the council packets regarding a cemetery foundation.

Patti Durflinger explained to the council that a 70th anniversary of the Flood of 1947 would be held during Gothic Days at the Alumni Banquet.

Patti Durflinger updated the council on Cardinal students working on a drone video around town.

Discussion was held on the cemetery.

Discussion was held on burning dilapidated homes.

Motion by Brown to adjourn second by McClure, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty