

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Craig Brown, Patti Durflinger, Mike McClure, Jerry Potts and Shirley Stacey. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

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

Mayor Potts opened the Public Hearing for budget amendment FY17. No oral or written comments were heard. Mayor Potts closed the public hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Consent Agenda consisted of minutes from the regular minutes May 9, 2017, special meeting minutes May 23, 2017, special meeting minutes May 31, 2017 and bills. Motion by McClure to approve the minutes and bills, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS – Jonathan Vice was present to discuss the placement of his water and sewer service lines in the city right of way and the service lines being placed in the same trench. Mr. Zingg will research the issue.

Mary Campbell was present to discuss restoring the statue at the Eldon Cemetery. It will cost an estimated \$9000.00 for the top. The foundation will also need replaced. Motion by Potts to allow pursuing more estimates, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion on the looks of the library hall was also discussed. Council member Potts explained that a new roof will be installed soon.

Motion by Brown to allow a cigarette permit for Casey's, second by McClure, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to allow the variance for 203 Church Street, second by McClure, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by McClure to allow the building permit for 203 Church Street, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by McClure to allow the building permit for 600 High Street, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on allowing the Wapello County Fair Board to use the city bucket truck. Consensus was to not allow due to insurance.

City Clerk – Carrie Teninty updated the council on the Wapello County ID Cards for elected officials and city employees. Discussion was held on elected officials and city employees being compliant with NIMS. The IDOT Grant was awarded for signs. 55 signs/posts have been ordered. The signs must be installed and paid for before IDOT will reimburse.

Public Works – Council member Stacey asked if the new employee was being used on the garbage truck. It was explained that she is not at this time.

Fire Department – Mr. Zingg updated the council on the joint agreement with Washington Township.

Library – Suzanne Streeby was present to update the council on the project at the library. Discussion was held on the library budget that has not been spent. Motion by Stacey to allow the budget amount left at the end of the fiscal year to be transferred to the library project fund, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on overdue books and dvds. Carrie Teninty will send notices out to the ones who are ninety days overdue.

Cemetery – Motion by Potts to allow the purchase of a new 44 inch sweeper in the amount of \$379.00, second by McClure, all aye, motion carried.

Trails/Parks – Discussion was held on the trail crack filling project that was approved in October 2016 by Christy Construction. Mr. Zingg will contact Christy Construction.

Engineer Jim Warner was present.

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.

Eldon Athletic Club – No report.

Playground –No report.

OLD BUSINESS – One bid was received for the old stairs that came off of city hall. Motion by McClure to accept the bid from Dave Showman in the amount of \$50.00, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on 9th Street repairs. Jerred Reed explained that the project has been inspected and is complete.

NEW BUSINESS – Discussion was held on a tree located at 107 Selma Street. Consensus of the council was to remove the tree if the tree is on city property.

Discussion was held on the sewer project. Three bids were received for the interceptor sewer tv work. Motion by Durflinger to allow the bid from J Leu Contracting in the amount of \$18019.68, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Stacey to allow the use of LOST funds until IFA funds are available, second by McClure, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on fire works in city limits. Motion by Potts to stay with what the Iowa State Code states, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried. Mr. Zingg will amend the city code.

Motion by McClure to authorize the job descriptions for public works director and public works laborer, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried. Carrie Teninty will add the high school diploma/GED to the public works laborer.

Discussion was held on the applications for the public works director position. Motion by McClure to hire Jerred Reed as the Public Works Director, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the applications for public works laborer position. Motion by Stacey to allow interviews with three applicants, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

The interviews will be held at a special city council meeting to be held on June 20, 2017 at 4:00pm. Fireworks amendment will be on the agenda also.

Motion by Brown to purchase a new light for Elm Street, second by Stacey, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by McClure to authorize Ordinance 347 - An ordinance amending chapter 7.12 (nuisances), chapter 13.08 (new water equipment installation), chapter 13.12 (water connections), chapter 13.14 (water service regulations), chapter 13.18 (sanitary sewer service), chapter 18.10 (restricted residence district), chapter 13.18 (sanitary sewer system), chapter 15.08 (building code), and chapter 15.32 (walls, fences, and hedges) of the Eldon municipal code, roll call vote taken, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize waiving the 2nd and 3rd readings of Ordinance 347, roll call vote taken, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Brown to authorize Ordinance 348 – An Ordinance creating and ordinance on the North side of Wood Street from the Intersection of Eighth Street to Ninth Street in City of Eldon, roll call vote taken, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Stacey to authorize waiving the second and third readings of Ordinance 348, roll call vote taken, all aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUMN – None

COUNCIL DISCUSSION – Patti Durflinger updated the council on a video that was made of Eldon by Tyler Goodell and Dakota Showman with a drone. Linda Durflinger updated the council on a display of the 1947 Flood.

Discussion was held on possibly changing website host. More information will be obtained.

Motion by Brown to go into closed session under Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an employee whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session, roll call vote taken, all aye, motion carried. Carrie Teninty requested to go into closed session. Motion by Brown to go out of closed session, roll call vote taken, all aye, motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty