

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Craig Brown, Patti Durflinger, Brian Keasling, George Loerzel and Jane Sapp. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

Motion by Keasling to approve the agenda by adding approval to close 4th Street for the street dance and by changing Donna Jeffrey's discussion from housing conference to housing committee, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Mayor Potts opened the public hearing regarding prohibiting/limiting residential living on Elm Street between 4th Street and 6th Street. Comments were heard from Jo Eddy, Denise Keasling, Donna Jeffrey, Toni McClure, Linda Durflinger, Sean Coulter and Tom Fullencamp.

Mayor Potts closed the public hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Consent Agenda consisted of regular meeting minutes April 9, 2019. Motion by Durflinger to authorize the minutes, second by Sapp, all aye, motion carried. Motion by Loerzel to authorize bills, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS – Motion by Keasling to authorize a building permit for 411 Center Street, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

The fence permit was not returned for 503 Wood Street.

Motion by Keasling to authorize a cigarette permit for Casey's, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Brown to authorize a liquor license for Casey's, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Donna Jeffrey was present to discuss creating a housing committee. Mayor Potts explained that the city does have a building committee that would cover housing. Committee members must be city officials.

Motion by Loerzel to authorize Patti Durflinger and Brian Keasling to attend a housing conference, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried. The cost is \$50.00.

Motion by Brown to authorize sewer forgiveness for Louise Gladson, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Corner Creations sign in Rock Island Park was tabled until further information is obtained.

Sam Cloke was present to discuss water drainage issues. Jerred Reed will work with Sam Cloke to fix the issue.

Motion by Brown to close 4th Street for the Gothic Days Street Dance June 8th from 8pm to 11pm, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

City Clerk – Motion by Keasling to set the FY19 budget amendment public hearing for June 11, 2019, second by Loerzel all, motion carried.

Public Works – Jerred Reed did obtain his spraying certification.

Fire Department – Motion by Loerzel to authorize a fire training burn at 111 Elm Street on June 22, 2019, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Keasling to authorize up to \$500.00 for supplies for the Gothic Days breakfast and up to \$200.00 for candy for the Gothic Days parade, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Keasling to authorize up to \$500.00 for supplies for the Wapello County Fair and \$300.00 starting cash, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Law Enforcement – A written report was received. Marty Wonderlin was present to update the council.

Library – A written report was received.

Cemetery – No report.

Trails/Parks – No report.

Engineer- No report.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received.

Historic Preservation – A letter was received from Iowa Cultural Affairs concerning the city status. Ryan Mitchell will research this issue.

Eldon Athletics –Discussion was held on 4 lights being out on the field.

Playground –No report.

Old Business – Motion by Brown to authorize the contract with Utiliuse with an amendment stating that if a lawsuit did happen, it would take place in Iowa, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the lease with Cardinal Community School. The lease will expire next month. Consensus was to table until next month.

Discussion was held on the nuisance abatement process. Letters will be sent out for current issues.

Motion by Keasling to issue a 2nd citation for the non-compliance at 709 KD Avenue, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

An update was given on Pictometry.

An update was given on inventory.

New Business – Motion by Sapp to authorize the contract with B&B Propane, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Loerzel to pay costs associated with the Iowa League of Cities Small City Workshop on June 18th for council members that will attend, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Durflinger to authorize the fishing spot on Water Street, second by Sapp, all aye, motion carried. This is a G.A.T.E project and all the money has been obtained. There is no cost to the city.

Discussion was held on the bathrooms at the KD Center. Consensus was to table until more information is obtained.

Motion by Durflinger to authorize the bid for tree removal at the fire station and 6th & Walnut Street, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Public Forum – None.

Council Discussion – Discussion was held on placing a planter in front of city hall in memory of Shirley Stacey. Consensus was to allow.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty