

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, July 9, 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, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Consent Agenda consisted of regular meeting minutes June 11, 2019. Motion by Sapp to authorize the minutes, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried. Motion by Brown to authorize bills, second by Sapp, all aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS – Motion by Keasling to authorize a deck permit for 203 Elm Street, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

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

City Clerk – Carrie Teninty updated the council on the CDBG funds for the sewer project. The grant was not awarded. Consensus of the council was to reapply the next cycle.

Carrie Teninty updated the council on the meter replacement project. Contractors will begin this month.

Public Works – Motion by Brown to authorize the bid from Behrle Construction in the amount of \$7500.00 for the cleanup of Chippewa Creek, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried. When the project is complete, city employees will install a gate on the north side of the box culvert.

Fire Department – Motion by Brown to purchase new batteries for walkies, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried. Discussion was held on the Eldon Fire and Rescue Inc status. Linda Manley stated that the 501c3 is still active and the department would like to keep the status active. It was explained that when the city went into a 28E agreement with Washington Township, Eldon Fire and Rescue Inc was supposed to be dissolved. City attorney, Ryan Mitchell, will research this issue.

Kenny Kildow was present to discuss the air conditioning in the fire department vehicles. Consensus was to repair the air conditioning in the vehicles.

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- A work session will be set with Jim Warner for the sewer project.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received.

Historic Preservation – No report.

Eldon Athletics –No report.

Playground –No report.

Old Business – Motion by Brown to authorize a lease with Cardinal Community School District for 602 Elm Street, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Keasling to authorize Ordinance 356 – An Ordinance stating that no residential use may be established on the ground floor of any building located within the 400 or 500 block of West Elm Street. The ground floor (sidewalk level) of any building in the specified location which is occupied at the time of passage shall be deemed as legal nonconforming use, as long as it remains occupied by the same occupant as at the time of passage and the residential use [occupation] is in the back half of the building, second by Loerzel, roll call vote taken, Brown no, Durflinger yes, Keasling yes, Loerzel yes, Sapp yes, motion carried.

Motion by Keasling to authorize waiving the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of Ordinance 356, second by Sapp, roll call vote taken, Brown no, Durflinger yes, Keasling yes, Loerzel yes, Sapp yes, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the KD Center project. Jerred Reed will get the quotes for the next meeting.

Motion by Keasling to authorize the purchase of a new sweeper for the skid loader from Greiner's Implement in the amount of \$5100.00, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

New Business – Discussion was held on generators and electrical service being required to homes that are being lived in. Ryan Mitchell and Carrie Teninty will work on an ordinance to make electric hookup mandatory.

Discussion was held on an electronic sign. It was explained that an auction may take place in Ottumwa that has signs available. Motion by Sapp to allow up to \$3500.00 for a sign purchase, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on revising the demolition permits. Motion by Sapp to remove #3, which states that the owner of the structure shall designate a contractor bonded and insured to perform the demolition work, second by Keasling, all aye, motion carried.

Public Forum – Linda Pool asked about the cleanup of properties in town.

Discussion was held on the alley between 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Discussion was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

Council Discussion – Discussion was held on leasing city property that cannot be sold on 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Discussion was held on campers being lived in. Consensus was to send notices to property owners.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:19pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty