

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Craig Brown, Patti Durflinger, George Loerzel and Jane Sapp. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Brian Keasling was absent.

Motion by Brown to authorize the agenda, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

Consent Agenda – The Consent Agenda consisted of minutes from October 8, 2019. Motion by Brown to authorize the minutes, second by Sapp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Brown to authorize the bills to be paid, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

#### PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS –

Motion by Sapp to forgive the tax assessments at 212 E. Walnut Street, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on ditch cleaning at Roy Street and Cornell Street. Mayor Potts explained that the city does have permission from property owners to clean the ditch from Hearn Street to Highway 16. City employees will do the work. Motion by Brown to allow the ditch cleaning from Cornell Street to Highway 16, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Sapp to authorize a deck permit and fence permit for 410 Water Street, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

City Clerk – No report.

Public Works – Jerred Reed updated the council on the dump truck that will be used for snow removal.

Fire Department – Motion by Brown to authorize Casey's credit card increase to \$1000.00, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Durflinger to authorize Desire Vose and Joshua Vose as a member of the fire department, second by Brown, all aye, motion carried.

Mayor Potts reminded the department that their files need to come to city hall.

Mayor Potts asked if the door policy has been implemented. Chief Manley is working on the policy.

Motion by Brown to allow the purchase of two set of signs for the trucks, second by Durflinger, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Durflinger to proceed with the grant for new tablets for pre-planning, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

Mayor Potts thanked the fire department for the great job they did on the fire on KD Avenue.

Wapello County Law Enforcement – Marty Wonderlin was present to update the council. There will be an open house on December 11<sup>th</sup> to meet the K9 unit.

Library – A written report was received.

Cemetery – No report.

Trails/Parks – No report.

Engineer – No report.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received.

Eldon Athletics – No report.

Playground –No report.

Old Business – Ryan Mitchell will work on a preliminary contract with Cardinal School District for the sewer connection.

Motion by Brown to authorize the open records policy, second by Sapp, all aye, motion carried.  
Discussion was held on the KD Center bathrooms. Jerred Reed will contact contractors to get quotes so the project can move forward.

New Business – Motion by Brown to authorize Alliant Energy to install a new street light on KD Avenue, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried. City employees will clear the trees for the project.

Discussion was held on revising the city code regarding the billing. The due dates will remain the same. Once the automated read system is completely installed, meters will be read on the third Monday each month.

Discussion was held on past due utility bills. Motion by Durflinger to allow payment arrangements for three, six and twelve months, second by Sapp, all aye, motion carried. Once a payment arrangement has been made, the customer must pay their monthly utility bill plus the arranged payment. If the customer fails to make the monthly payment, utilities will be disconnected and service will not be reconnected until the bill is paid in full.

Motion by Brown to authorize the health insurance plan, second by Sapp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Brown to authorize the purchase of 2020 International HV607 garbage truck in the amount of \$132430.00, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Brown to authorize a loan from Libertyville Savings Bank for the purchase of a 2020 International HV607 garbage truck, second by Loerzel, all aye, motion carried.

Public Forum – Randy McClure was present to discuss ditch cleaning from Cornell Street to Highway 16.

Council Discussion – Discussion was held on the notice from Iowa Economic Development Authority. The city did not receive the grant for the sewer project. The city will continue moving forward with the project.

Patty Durflinger updated the council on the mural for city hall.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty



