

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on June 14, 2022 at Eldon City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Tom Bedford, Carl Culp, Brandon Potts, and David Showman. Stacey Doree was absent. The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.

Motion by Showman to authorize the agenda, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize regular meeting minutes May 10, 2022, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Bedford to authorize the bills, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS – Motion by Showman to authorize a fence permit at 807 W Walnut Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

City Clerk – No report.

Public Works – Jerred Reed updated the council on projects they have been working on.

Wapello County Law Enforcement – A written report was received. Don Phillips was present to update the council.

Library – A written report was received.

Engineer – No report.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received. Cari Nicely was present to discuss grant writing for a building by the American Gothic House Center and the Gothic House. Discussion was held on selling wine at the American Gothic House Center. Both projects must be authorized by the county, before the city will consider.

Fire Department – No report.

Cemetery – No report.

Trails/Parks – The new street lights are installed on Elm Street.

Eldon Athletics – The new ball field lights are almost complete at this time.

Old Business – None.

New Business – Motion by Potts to authorize a bid from Cody's Tree Service in the amount of \$1497.00 for tree removal, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize the purchase of new flags and flag poles for Elm Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on 404 1st Street. Consensus of the council was as long as the property is being mowed and the weeds kept down, the city will not proceed with the nuisance abatement process at this time. The council will reevaluate in the fall.

Motion by Bedford to waive and consent to any actual, potential, or perceived conflict of interest associated with Ahlers & Cooney, P.C representation of the City of Ottumwa in the Real Estate Purchase agreement between the City of Ottumwa and Wapello County Emergency Management Commission, despite a concurrent representation of the City of Eldon, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Public Forum – None.

Council Discussion – Tom Bedford asked about city property on Cornell Street. This property is scheduled to be abated this summer.

Motion by Potts to adjourn, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:54pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty