

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on February 14, 2023 at Eldon City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Tom Bedford, Carl Culp, Stacey Doree, Brandon Potts, and David Showman. The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.

Motion by Showman to authorize the agenda, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried. The fire department will be moved up on the agenda.

Mayor Potts opened the public hearing on Budget FY24 Max Levy. No written or oral comments were heard. Mayor Potts closed the public hearing.

Motion by Doree to authorize regular meeting minutes January 10, 2023 and special meeting minutes January 17, 2023, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

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

#### PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS –

Donna Jeffrey was present to offer help to pursue grants for city hall.

Motion by Bedford to authorize sewer forgiveness for 510 W Walnut Street in the amount of \$136.50, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize sewer forgiveness for 300 Water Street in the amount of \$26.00, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Doree to authorize sewer forgiveness for 800 Elm Street in the amount of \$266.50, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Doree to authorize a liquor license at Dollar General, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

City Clerk – No report.

Public Works – No report.

Cemetery – Four bids were received for 2023 mowing season. Motion by Bedford to authorize the bid from Charles Knott in the amount of \$1400.00 per cut and weed eating, second by Potts, Bedford yes, Culp yes, Doree abstained, Potts yes, Showman yes, motion carried.

Wapello County Law Enforcement – A written report was received.

Library – A written report was received.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received. Cari Nicely was present. Beginning April 1, 2023, the American Gothic House Center will charge an entrance fee of \$5.00 for ages 13 and up. Wapello County residents will not be charged an entry fee.

Fire Department – A written report was received. Motion by Doree to authorize Shannon Sample as a fire department member, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Linda Manley explained to the council that a set of TNT Jaws were donated to the fire department.

Engineer – Jim Warner was present to discuss dredging the lagoons. Jim will continue bid specifications to present to the council. Discussion was held on the grant that was awarded in 2020. Consensus of the council was to ask for another extension to IDEA until November 2023. A special meeting has been set for February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30pm to discuss the results of the grant extension.

Trails/Parks – Stacey Doree asked about dead trees along the trail. The public works department will work on removing them.

Eldon Athletics – Motion by Potts to authorize expenditures for concessions, equipment and uniforms, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried. Mark Laughlin will replace the concession stand door and install new keypads.

Old Business – None.

New Business – Motion by Showman to authorize \$4250.00 for a new pressure washer, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize resolution 2023-1 - A resolution approving applications for tax abatement, second by Culp, roll call vote taken Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Stacey Doree yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize Resolution 2023-2 - A resolution approving the maximum property tax dollars, second by Culp, roll call vote taken Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Stacey Doree yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Doree to authorize Resolution 2023-3 - A resolution adopting a proposed budget for publication and ordering a notice of public hearing on the proposed budget for FY24, second by Potts, roll call vote taken Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Stacey Doree yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize Ordinance 378 - An ordinance amending the schedule of fees for the collection of dumpsters, amending the schedule of fees for additional thirty-five-gallon cans and placing a weight limit on all approved containers, second by Culp, roll call vote taken Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Stacey Doree yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Culp to authorize waiving the second and third readings of ordinance 378 second by Potts, roll call vote taken, Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Stacey Doree yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize Ordinance 379 – An ordinance amending truck routes in the City of Eldon, second by Culp, roll call vote taken, Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Stacey Doree yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize waiving the second and third readings of ordinance 379 second by Culp, roll call vote taken, Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Stacey Doree yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize an updated seatbelt/restraint policy, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize a chainsaw safety policy, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize a personal fall protection policy, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Bedford to authorize a general safety manual, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize non statutory volunteers with IMWCA, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried. All city volunteers must file the required paperwork.

Discussion was held on a snow removal policy. Carrie Teninty will present a policy at the March meeting.

Public Forum – Jane Sapp was present to discuss the water lines for 417 and 419 Elm Street. Consensus of the council was to allow one water service line for both buildings.

Council Discussion – Spring cleanup will be held on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion was held on the time cards and the time clock not being used.

Motion by Doree to adjourn, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:34pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty