

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Regular City Council Meeting: Monday, February 17, 2020 (5:00 p.m.)
Mayor/Council Present: Mayor J. May presiding--1; J. Clark, A. Goebel, R. Gage, G. Heckard, D. Seylar, B. Carlin--6
Council Absent: Haukoos--1
Staff Present: P. Clayton, J. Finn, B. Shatto, G. Van Langen, E. Burton--5
Media Present: N. Pohl (KILR), A. Petersen (E.N.)--2
Others Present: Nancy Clark, Jess Brashear, Nick Nemethy--3

Minutes

Moved by Goebel, seconded by Seylar to approve the minutes of the Feb. 3, 2020, council session. VOTE: ayes--5 abstain: Clark--1 absent: Haukoos--1

Petitions & Communications

a. Jan. Police On-Duty Log Comparison

Reports

Moved by Clark, seconded by Goebel to approve the Financial Statements for the month of Jan., 2020. VOTE: ayes--6 absent: Haukoos--1

Resolution No. 2214
Maximum Property Tax Dollars
Fiscal Year 2020-21

City Clerk Burton presented information on the Maximum Property Tax Dollars for Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget. The total maximum property tax levy for affected property tax levies is \$2,433,445. The amount requested represents an increase of greater than 102% from the Maximum Property Tax dollars requested for FY 2020.

Gage introduced Resolution No. 2214 entitled "RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, FOR THE CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA" and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Goebel. VOTE: ayes: Gage, Heckard, Seylar, Carlin, Clark, Goebel--6 absent: Haukoos--1

Pay Estimate #13 - Final
2017 WWTP Improvements Project

The Council was presented with the engineer's statement of final completion and final pay estimate for the 2017 WWTP Improvements Project in the amount of \$88,900 to Wapasha Construction Co.

Moved by Carlin, seconded by Seylar to accept the project and approve the final pay estimate to Wapasha Construction Co. in the amount of \$88,900. VOTE: ayes--6 absent: Haukoos--1

Resolution No. 2215
2020-21 City Budget

City Clerk Burton presented information on the proposed 2020-21 City Budget.

Carlin introduced Resolution No. 2215 entitled “RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, FOR THE CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA” and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Clark. (This resolution sets Mar. 16, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers as the time and place for the public hearing.) VOTE: ayes: Carlin, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Heckard, Seylar--6 absent: Haukoos--1

Pay Estimate #1
Central Avenue Bridge Enhancements

Pay Estimate #1 for \$7,936.30 to Midstates Builders for the Central Avenue Bridge Enhancements Project was presented for approval.

Moved by Seylar, seconded by Heckard to approve Pay Estimate #1 to Midstates Builders in the amount of \$7,936.30. VOTE: ayes--6 absent: Haukoos--1

Water Trails Grant

Administrator Clayton presented information on the Water Trails Development Grant Agreement #20-04 in the amount of \$12,225 from the IDNR for the Midway Access Acquisition & Design on behalf of the Emmet County Water Trails Association for approval.

Moved by Seylar, seconded by Heckard to approve the Water Trails Development Grant Agreement from the IDNR on behalf of the Emmet County Water Trails Association. VOTE: ayes--6 absent: Haukoos--1

Youth Center

Mayor May presented to the Council that he would like to put together a task force to investigate a youth center for the youth to go after school.

Appointments

Mayor May announced the following appointments of Steve Erickson to the Airport Commission for a six (6) year term to January 2026; Roger Christensen for a one (1) year term to January 2021, Don Schiltz for a two (2) year term to January 2022, and Shannon Lehmkuhl for a three (3) year term to January 2023 to the Rental Housing Committee.

Moved by Carlin, seconded by Goebel to accept the Mayor’s appointments. VOTE: ayes--6 absent: Haukoos--1

Citizen Concern

The Citizen Concern by John Skrepak on recycling hours and animals on So. 8th St. was tabled until next meeting.

Public Forum

- a. Jessica Brashear shared her support for the idea of a youth center as a place for our youth to learn healthy coping skills.
- b. Nick Nemethy stated that we need to invest in our community with a youth center.

Updates

- a. Anthony Gray has been hired as our new Water Department Superintendent.

Adjournment

Moved by Carlin seconded by Seylar to adjourn the meeting at 5:58 p.m. VOTE: ayes--6
absent: Haukoos--1

Joseph M. May, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Burton, City Clerk