

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

- Regular City Council Meeting: Monday, March 16, 2020 (5:00 p.m.)
- Mayor/Council Present: Mayor J. May presiding--1; G. Haukoos, J. Clark*, A. Goebel, R. Gage, G. Heckard, D. Seylar, B. Carlin--7
- Council Absent: None--0
- Staff Present: P. Clayton, J. Finn, B. Shatto, G. Van Langen, L. Hevern, E. Burton--6
- Media Present: E. Funston (KILR), Matt McWilliams (KICD), A. Petersen (E.N.)--3
- Others Present: Brayton Dahl, Darryl Bortvit, Bob Jensen, Jim Tholkes, John Skrepak**--5

Minutes

Moved by Seylar, seconded by Carlin to approve the minutes of the Mar. 2, 2020, council session. VOTE: ayes--5 abstain: Goebel--1 absent: Clark--1

Committees

- a. Excel! Estherville Oversight Committee

*Julie Clark arrives.

Petitions & Communications

- a. Feb. Police On-Duty Log Comparison
b. Letter from Greg Van Langen regarding cleaning up the City.
c. RIDES Quarterly Report
d. Letter from Mediacom
e. COVID-19 News Release

Reports

Moved by Haukoos, seconded by Goebel to approve the Financial Statements for the month of Feb., 2020. VOTE: ayes--7

Resolution No. 2219 FY 2020-21 City Budget

Mayor May opened the public hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2020-21 City Budget. No written or oral objections were heard, and the public hearing was closed.

Haukoos introduced Resolution No. 2219 entitled "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021" and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Carlin. (This resolution approves the fiscal year 2020-21 budget in the amount of \$30,642,402.) Vote: ayes: Haukoos, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Heckard, Seylar, Carlin--7

Community Catalyst Grant

City Administrator Clayton presented a community catalyst grant application and a development agreement with Jason and Shannon Edwards for the building at 24 So. 6th St.

Moved by Carlin, seconded by Heckard to approve the community catalyst grant application and development agreement with Jason and Shannon Edwards for the building at 24 So. 6th St. VOTE: ayes--7

2019 Street Improvements Project

The Council was presented with the engineer's statement of final completion and final pay estimate for the 2019 Street Improvements Project in the amount of \$13,217.13 to Hulstein Excavating, Inc. for the PCC Reconstruction - 1st Ave. So., Section 2.

Moved by Seylar, seconded by Goebel to accept the engineer's statement of final completion and final pay estimate #4 for the 2019 Street Improvements Project in the amount of \$13,217.13 to Hulstein Excavating, Inc. VOTE: ayes--7

*John Skrepak arrives.

Estherville Municipal Swimming Pool Project

City Administrator Clayton presented information, bid tab and a resolution for the swimming pool project. It was recommended to table awarding the project and have a special meeting on Tues., Mar. 24, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by Heckard, seconded by Clark to table this item until the Tues., Mar. 24, 2020 meeting. VOTE: ayes--7

Economic Development Report

Lyle Hevern, Estherville and Emmet County Economic Development Director updated the Council on 700 Central, Dept. of Defense, the pharmacy and apartment complex.

Resolution No. 2220

Budget Transfers

City Clerk Burton presented a proposed resolution authorizing the City Clerk to make the appropriate fund transfers for the 2020-21 City Budget.

Carlin introduced Resolution No. 2220 entitled "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE INTERFUND TRANSFERS OF SUMS AND RECORD THE SAME IN THE APPROPRIATE MANNER FOR FY 2021 FOR THE CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA" and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Goebel. VOTE: ayes: Carlin, Haukoos, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Heckard, Seylar--7

Resolution No. 2221

Urban Revitalization Plan Amendment

Carlin introduced Resolution No. 2221 entitled "TO FIX A DATE OF MEETING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED 2020 AMENDMENT TO THE ESTHERVILLE URBAN REVITALIZATION AREA PLAN" and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Clark. (This resolution sets Apr. 6 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers as the time and place for the public hearing.) VOTE: ayes: Carlin, Haukoos, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Heckard, Seylar--7

Resolution No. 2222

Accessible Parking Spaces

City Administrator Clayton presented a proposed resolution to remove 1403 1st Ave. So. from the list of parking spaces designated for use by persons with disabilities for approval.

Carlin introduced Resolution No. 2222 entitled "A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING SPECIAL PARKING SPACES FOR EXCLUSIVE USE BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES" and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Haukoos. VOTE: ayes: Carlin, Haukoos, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Heckard, Seylar--7

Public Forum

John Skrepak addressed the council with concerns regarding lack of communication with the Mayor. Councilman Heckard commented about the inaccuracy of information on John's Facebook site. Skrepak stated that his Facebook site is a rumor rag. Mayor May stated that on numerous occasions Skrepak had misrepresented or maligned his character and he would not be meeting one on one again.

Updates

- a. Youth Center - Mayor May stated the group has been researching the reasons for failures of youth centers which are funding, worker burn out, a building in good shape and the youth and adult relationship. What we need are grants for a good portion of it, volunteers, building a long term goal. The goal for the short term is to work on a program for youth. The long term goal is to create a sustainable operation in a permanent facility.
- b. The river is back in its banks.
- c. Police working on a plan concerning COVID-19.

Adjournment

Moved by Carlin seconded by Heckard to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. VOTE: ayes--7

Joseph M. May, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Burton, City Clerk