

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Regular City Council Meeting: Monday, October 17, 2022 (5:00 p.m.)
Mayor/Council Present: Mayor K. Billings--1; J. Heckard, J. Clark*, A. Goebel, R.Gage, G. Heckard***, D. Seylar, B. Carlin--7
Council Absent: None--0
Staff Present: E. Burton, G. VanLangen, P. Clayton, L. Hevern, J. Finn*--5
Media Present: E. Funston (KILR); A. Petersen (EN)**, A. Gellert (KICD)--3
Others Present: Martin Kane, Casee Ross, Carroll Monsen, Warren Evans, Shannon Landauer--5

Minutes

Moved by Goebel, seconded by J. Heckard to approve the minutes of the Oct. 3, 2022, council session. VOTE: ayes--5 absent: Clark, G. Heckard--2

Standing Committee Reports

- a. Labor Relations Committee - Oct. 6
- b. Streets & Alleys Committee - Sept. 19

*Clark & Finn arrive.

Petitions & Communications

- a. Annual Financial Report
- b. Proclamation - Operation Green Light for Veterans

**A. Petersen arrives.

Reports

Moved by Carlin, seconded by Clark to approve the Financial Statement for the month of Sept., 2022. VOTE: ayes--6 absent: G. Heckard--1

Approval of Liquor License

Moved by Goebel, seconded by Gage to approve an amended Class C Liquor License for Top Hat Lounge at 704 Central Ave. to add Sunday Sales. VOTE: ayes--6 absent: G. Heckard--1

Ordinance No. 799

Water Rates

Clayton presented the proposed ordinance regarding increasing the treated & raw water rates.

Moved by Carlin, seconded by Seylar that the proposed Ordinance No. 799 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REVISING TITLE VI, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 3, OF THE CITY CODE OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA, CONCERNING TREATED & RAW WATER RATES" be considered for the third time. VOTE: ayes: Carlin, J. Heckard, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Seylar--6 absent: G. Heckard--1

Moved by Carlin, seconded by J. Heckard that the proposed Ordinance No. 799 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REVISING TITLE VI, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 3, OF THE CITY CODE OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA, CONCERNING TREATED & RAW WATER RATES" be finally passed and adopted. VOTE: ayes: Carlin, J. Heckard, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Seylar--6 absent: G. Heckard--1

Ordinance No. 800
Sewer Rental Rates

Clayton presented the proposed ordinance regarding increasing the sewer rental rates.

Moved by Carlin, seconded by Seylar that the proposed Ordinance No. 800 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REVISING TITLE III, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 5, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA, PERTAINING TO SEWER RENTAL RATES " be considered for the third time. VOTE: ayes: Carlin, J. Heckard, Clark, Goebel, G. Heckard, Seylar--6 absent: Gage--1

Moved by Carlin, seconded by Seylar that the proposed Ordinance No. 800 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REVISING TITLE III, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 5, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA, PERTAINING TO SEWER RENTAL RATES " be finally passed and adopted. VOTE: ayes: Carlin, J. Heckard, Clark, Goebel, Gage, Seylar--6 absent: G. Heckard--1

Resolution No. 2378
Pool Project

Administrator Clayton presented a proposed resolution accepting the pool project and authorizing final payment to Sande Construction in the amount of \$206,884.77.

Seylar introduced Resolution No. 2378 entitled "RESOLUTION ACCEPTING ESTHERVILLE MUNICIPAL POOL PROJECT IN THE CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA", authorizing final payment to Sande Construction and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Carlin. VOTE: ayes: Seylar, Carlin, J. Heckard, Clark, Goebel, Gage--6 absent: G. Heckard--1

Iowa Lakes Corridor

Shannon Landauer, President & CEO of the Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation gave an update on Manufacturing Week, Business Retention & Expansion, New Businesses, Housing, and Business Recognition on Nov. 16, 2022.

Resolution No. 2379
Economic Development Grant

Administrator Clayton presented a proposed resolution approving an economic development grant to PDU Cables in the amount of \$11,109.38 for certain storm sewer improvements.

***G. Heckard arrives.

Gage introduced Resolution No. 2379 entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT TO PDU CABLES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS" and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Goebel. VOTE: ayes: Gage, Seylar, Carlin, J. Heckard, Clark, Goebel--6 abstain: G. Heckard--1 (Just arrived to Council Meeting.)

Resolution No. 2380
Nuisance Assessments

An assessment schedule for the collection of an unpaid invoice totaling \$5,169.51 was presented. If adopted the list would be certified to the Emmet County Treasurer for collection with property tax.

Seylar introduced Resolution No. 2380 entitled "RESOLUTION ADOPTING ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE COLLECTION OF UNPAID INVOICES FOR THE ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES AND OTHER SERVICES IN THE CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA" and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Carlin. VOTE: ayes: Seylar, Carlin, J. Heckard, Clark, Goebel, Gage, G. Heckard--7

2022 Street Improvements Project

Pay Estimate #1 for \$271,798.94 to Blacktop Services Company for the 2022 Street Improvements Project was presented for approval.

Moved by Seylar, seconded by G. Heckard to approve Pay Estimate #1 for \$271,798.94 to Blacktop Services Company. VOTE: ayes--7

DOT Agreement

Administrator Clayton presented a proposed Detour Agreement with the Iowa Dept. of Transportation regarding the Highway 4 PCC Pavement Project for approval.

Moved by G. Heckard, seconded by Seylar to approve the Detour Agreement with the Iowa Dept. of Transportation for the Highway 4 PCC Pavement Project. VOTE: ayes--7

Oak Hill Cemetery Tree Removal

Administrator Clayton presented information on a bid tab for removal of the dead and diseased trees at Oak Hill Cemetery. There are 22 trees that are dead and 18 trees that have been identified as diseased and dying. These trees need to be removed to stop the spread to the remaining trees. In addition, 10 existing stumps will be removed. There were four (4) bids with Snyder Logging & Tree Service of Jackson, MN being the lowest bid of \$49,000.

Moved by Gage, seconded by J. Heckard to approve the low bid of \$49,000 to Snyder Logging & Tree Service of Jackson, MN for the tree and stump removal. VOTE: ayes--7

Public Forum

- a. The Mayor complimented Greg Van Langen on the work he has been doing as Code Enforcement Officer.
- b. 278 people attended the Appreciation Meal at the VFW.

Updates

- a. Street Projects

Adjournment

Moved by Seylar, seconded by Carlin to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m. VOTE: ayes--7

Kenny Billings, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Burton, City Clerk