

**COUNCIL MEETING 17-14
JULY 24, 2017**

The City Council met in Council Chambers at 7:00 PM with the City Clerk calling the meeting to order and the following answering to roll call:

Andy Koehler	Council Member
Deann Schweitzer	Council Member
Mike Yaklich	Council Member
Steve Faber	Council Member
Steve Looney	Mayor

News media present was as follows:

Will Buss	Star Courier
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The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mayor Looney asked for a moment of silence for former Mayor Bruce Tossell and our troops still fighting overseas.

Mayor Looney explained that the next items were placed on the consent agenda and were considered to be routine in nature to be passed as a whole with one vote of the Council. Mayor Looney requested that any member of the Council or the audience wishing to have an item removed from the consent agenda for individual consideration to make the request and the item would be removed and considered following the approval of the remaining consent items. The consent agenda included minutes from the July 10, 2017 Council Meeting, payroll for the pay period ending July 8, 2017 in the amount of \$208,313.39, and reports from Engineering, Finance & Administration, Public Works, and Bock, Inc. The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Bills submitted for approval totaling \$1,215,596.14 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Faber. Council Member Koehler asked if the payment for K-9 school was the first for the police K9. Chief Ainley confirmed it was the first class for that dog. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Mayor Looney asked if anyone wished to speak regarding a non-agenda item. There being no such requests Mayor Looney moved on to new business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mark Mikenas, Executive Vice President of the Kewanee Chamber of Commerce gave his semi-annual report to the Council

The minutes from the Plan Commission from its meeting on July 20, 2017 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Koehler. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3892 granting a special use permit to Abilities Plus for land located at 427 E Garfield Street for a sheltered care or board and care facility was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Faber. Mayor Looney explained that those in favor of the request would be allowed to speak first. Randy Carton, President of the Abilities Plus Board addressed the concerns voiced at the Public Hearing during the Plan Commission meeting. Roberta Cinnamon, a parent of a client of Abilities Plus, expressed her support of Abilities Plus. Mark Elbus expressed his concerns regarding the proposed sheltered care or board and care facility, stating the concern was lower property values. Mayor Looney noted that he had spoken with a resident who previously was a property owner next to one Abilities Plus' facilities. That resident reported that his property value actually increased. Council Member Faber noted that he did not see a loss in approving the request. Council Member Schweitzer stated that she was offended by the lack of understanding expressed by those in opposition to the facility. Council Member Koehler noted that he was against a previously approved home on Hollis Street. That home has been kept in top notch condition, with no complaints received regarding the house. Council Member Yaklich noted that he would be abstaining from the vote, as he was a landlord to Abilities Plus at the time and his wife was the realtor for the sale of the property. Mayor Looney reported that when he was on the Abilities Plus Board he never received any complaints regarding their homes. Roll call showed ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3893 granting a special use permit to Tracy Glasgo, owner of Tracy Jeans, for property located at 125 West South Street #11 for the sale of alcoholic liquor by the serving was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. John Beaman, affiliated with Tracy Jeans, noted that the building in question was the old JC Beaman building in Midland Plaza. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5062 awarding the 2017 annual street maintenance program to Advanced Asphalt Company, Inc. was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Koehler. City Engineer Nobel noted that the timing of the program would depend on the timing of the approval of Illinois Department of Transportation. No work would be scheduled over Labor Day weekend. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5063 to authorize an agreement with Missman, Inc. for engineering services relating to Phase I Design and Project Development for the 2018 F.A.U, (Federal Aid Urban) East Street Improvement Project (South Street to Second Street) was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. City Engineer Nobel noted that Missman was one of the standby engineering firms previously selected by the Council. The FAU project was a 2 year process, with this being the beginning of the process. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

The recommendation of the Plan Commission regarding the height for the fence and screening to be installed around the beer garden/outdoor eating area at the Boiler Room 206 North Chestnut Street was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Anthony Segura, owner of the Boiler Room requested that the Council consider one of the two options that he had submitted to the Plan Commission and City Council. He explained that the ordinance states that the screening should be of adequate height, further noting that adequate could be different to everyone. He requested that the ordinance be amended to be more specific. Scott Wiegand noted that Mr. Segura had been a good neighbor. Council Members held a discussion concerning the points addressed by Mr. Segura. Council Member Schweitzer questioned the height of the other beer garden fences. Roll call showed 3 ayes, 2 nays, with Council Member Schweitzer and Mayor Looney casting the dissenting votes. The motion passed.

Resolution #5064 to authorize the use of the public sidewalk and street for beer garden concert events at 202 N. Chestnut Street on August 18 and August 31 was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Council Member Faber noted that he appreciated the Boiler Room bringing in the concerts, but there was a noise problem that needed to be addressed. Council Member Yaklich stated that he believed there had been an expansion of the special use by building a permanent stage. Mayor Looney noted that there had been three complaints logged regarding the event. He also noted that staff had met with Mr. Segura after the event to discuss details and concerns regarding the event. Roll call showed 4 ayes, 1 nay, with Council Member Yaklich casting the dissenting vote. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3886 amending sections 50.09-(A) and 50.09-(D) Rates and Rules for Solid Waste Pickup and Section 50.10-(E)(3)(A)-1 Solid Waste Transfer Station Standard Rates of Chapter 50 Solid Waste Management, of Title V Public Works; and Sections 92.06, Rates and Charges, and 92.08(B) Placement of Headstones Permit Required, of Chapter 92: Cemeteries of the Kewanee City Code, establishing fees for use of City cemeteries and their services was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Mayor Looney noted that the ordinance had been previously tabled allowing staff to collect more data. That data had been supplied. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3894 to amend Section 35.37 Fire Rescue Ambulance Service Fees of the Kewanee City Code was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. City Manager Bradley explained that the one change to the fee schedule was to add an additional level of refusal. At the ALS level of ambulance service, the paramedic can treat a patient for diabetic related emergencies. With the treatment, the patient would no longer need transport to the hospital. This new level of refusal would be charged in those situations. Roll call showed 4 ayes, 1 nay, with Council Member Koehler casting the dissenting vote. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3895 declaring a 1990 Alexis Spartan fire engine as excess was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Faber. City Manager Bradley reported that with the purchase of the new fire engine, it was beneficial to rotate one of the existing fire engines out of service to save on insurance and maintenance fees. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5058 to authorize the City Manager to execute a right-of-way agreement with Geneseo Communications was tabled on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Schweitzer extended her condolences to the friends and family of Bruce Tossell.

Council Member Koehler thanked the volunteers of the Prairie Chicken Festival.

Council Member Yaklich also extended his condolence to the Tossell family.

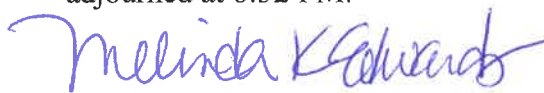
Council Member Faber extended his condolences to the Tossell family. He also reported that the Prairie Chicken Festival committee had 37 vendors and had to turn away 10 additional vendors. There will be some adjustments made for the next festival to accommodate all of the vendors.

Mayor Looney thanked the Prairie Chicken Festival volunteers. He also thanked the Council for covering for him at the previous meeting. He thanked city staff for putting together all of the information for the large agenda for the evening. He also thanked the Plan Commission members for the work they do for the City. Finally, he extended his sincere condolence to the Tossell family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Edwards announced that the Main Street railroad crossing was closed for repairs beginning Monday, July 24 and would last approximately 10 days. Detours around Main off of West Third and West Fifth Streets would be open to route traffic onto North Tremont Street. The Park Street crossing would be closed for repairs and was expected to be reopened on Wednesday, July 26.

There being no further business, Council Member Schweitzer moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Faber seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.



MELINDA EDWARDS, CITY CLERK



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