

**COUNCIL MEETING 18-10
MAY 29, 2018**

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

Andy Koehler	Council Member
Steve Faber	Council Member
Michael Yaklich	Council Member
Chris Colomer	Council Member
Steve Looney	Mayor

News media present was as follows:

Mike Helenthal	Star Courier
Russ Hughes	WKEI

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mayor Looney asked for a moment of silence for 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 May 14, 2018 Council Meeting, payroll for the pay period ending May 26, 2018 in the amount of \$306,583.11, reports from Bock, Inc., City Wide Cleanup, and Finance & Administration. The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Bills submitted for approval totaling \$466,492.17 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Colomer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Council Member Faber questioned the number of tires purchased from Eastern Iowa Tire. Maintenance Manager Newton explained that the tires are heavy duty tires and it would have been between two and four tires, with Eastern Iowa Tire offering a discount to the government. Council Member Yaklich requested a report on the progress of Well 5 rehab. City Engineer Nobel reported that the payment was for 98% of the work. He gave a brief overview of the work done, noting that the remaining task was to complete the testing required by the IEPA. Council Member Koehler noted the wonderful job on the sidewalk and parking lot at the corner of Central Blvd. and Main Street. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Mayor Looney then 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

Cheryl Osborn from the Henry County Tourism Bureau was set to give her semi-annual presentation, but had to cancel as she was ill. Mayor Looney also noted that City Manager Bradley was assisting with interviewing for the Henry County Economic Development position and would join the meeting after the conclusion of those interviews.

The Plan Commission minutes from its meeting held on Thursday, May 24, 2018 were accepted on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance# 3927 granting a special use permit to Dennis Packee for property located at 600 North Main Street for the sale of used vehicles was approved on a motion made by Council Member Colomer and seconded by Council Member Faber. Council Member Koehler noted his long-time friendship with the family, as such he chose to abstain from the vote. Roll call showed 4 ayes, no nays, 1 abstain. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3928 granting a special use permit to John Willis d/b/a You're Approved Auto Sales for property located at 525 North Main Street for the storage of used passenger vehicles was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Faber. The council made note of the restrictions listed in the resolution, including the appearance of the area and access to the vehicles. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5109 granting a continuance of non-conforming use to Erin Clementz at 500 East Division Street for the operation of a hair and nail salon was tabled on a motion made by Council Member Colomer and seconded by Council Member Faber. Council Member Faber had made a motion to approve the resolution, with a second from Council Member Colomer. Those motions were rescinded after a discussion regarding how long the building had not been used as a business. Council Member Yaklich noted that as a property owner in the area, he would like to be invited to a public hearing for a special use permit. City Clerk Edwards read Ordinance #3849 passed in October 2016 giving the owner the ability to appeal to the City Council for the continuance of the nonconforming use when the building was originally designed, constructed, or modified for nonresidential use. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5110 awarding the care and maintenance of the City Animal Control Facility to Friends of the Animals was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Kathy Werderman of Friends of the Animals reported that things have been going pretty smoothly for them at the current location. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3929 amending Section 150.016 permits and permit fees established in the city of Kewanee was approved on a motion made by Council Member Colomer and seconded by Council Member Faber. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5111 awarding the janitor agreement for Fiscal Year 2019 to O&W Cleaners was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5112 appointing members to the Plan Commission was approved on a motion made by Council Member Colomer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Mayor Looney thanked Catherine Hughes and Matt Costenson for their continued commitment to the Commission. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3930 establishing building and zoning regulations regarding solar panels was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Faber. Council Member Yaklich noted the importance of having something in place. Community Development Director Edwards explained the process used to compose the ordinance, noting it was a good starting point. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5113 ratifying and approving an agreement with Ruyle Mechanical Services of Peoria, IL for the wastewater treatment plant project was denied on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Council Member Yaklich noted that the work was already done. Mayor Looney reviewed the purchasing policy. Roll call showed 0 ayes, 5 nays. The motion failed.

Resolution #5114 establishing the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Mayor Looney noted that the budget being accepted had a \$140,000 deficit. Council Member Yaklich further explained that the Council, City Manager and Department Heads have been working on the budget for the last 3-4 months with the result being deficit spending of \$140,000 to continue to provide the same services. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Yaklich complimented the Memorial Day Services and the nice luncheon provided after the ceremony, while thanking all involved. He also noted a concern over fairness regarding a sidewalk replacement reimbursement. He requested that we review the situation and reconsider reimbursing the homeowner that was denied due to a substandard sidewalk installation. Council Member Yaklich then requested an answer to why the ambulance is taken to the grocery store; specifically asking to know if we have a policy regarding the policy on using company vehicles for non-essential functions, if some of the departments are exempt, if so why, and doesn't the fire department have a less expensive piece of equipment they can drive to the grocery store.

Council Member Faber thanked Dan Kuffell for his assistance in getting air conditioning on in the pound for the animals.

Council Member Colomer thanked Dustin Ross for his donation of time to install the spray foam at the new animal control facility. He also thanked Kevin Yepsen at Community State Bank for their donation of the foam, which saved the City \$3,000. Council Member Faber noted that there had been lots of residents providing assistance for the project.

Council Member Koehler congratulated Community Development Director Edwards on the excellent detailed report regarding the city-wide cleanup.

Mayor Looney also complimented the Memorial Day Service. He gave details from the city-wide cleanup report, with Council Member Koehler noting the assistance from the inmates at the Lie Skills Reentry Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Edwards announced that the Public Works Department would begin summer hours on Monday, June 4, working 6 AM – 2:30 PM. Residents should have any landscape waste, bulk brush, recycling, or trash for collection out before 6 AM throughout the summer. Residents were also reminded to break down all cardboard and bundle it into no bigger than 3 ft x 3 ft squares. The size requirement would assist the driver in the ability to get to the route daily.

There being no further business, Council Member Faber moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Colomer seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

MELINDA EDWARDS, CITY CLERK

DATE APPROVED