

**COUNCIL MEETING 16-25
DECEMBER 27, 2016**

The City Council met in Council Chambers at 6:03 PM with the Mayor calling the meeting to order and the following answering to roll call:

Andy Koehler	Council Member
Mike Yaklich	Council Member
Deann Schweitzer	Council Member
Kellie Wallace-McKenna	Council Member
Steve Looney	Mayor

Council Member Koehler moved to adjourn to executive session at 6:04 PM pursuant to Section 2 (C) (1) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing personnel and Section 2(c)(2) to discuss collective bargaining. Council Member Schweitzer seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

The executive session was adjourned at 6:57 PM on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Council Meeting #16-25 reconvened at 7:04 PM with Mayor Looney stating the Council is reconvening following an executive session discussion concerning personnel and collective bargaining.

News media present were as follows:

Mike Berry	Star Courier
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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 December 12, 2016 Council Meeting, payroll for the pay period ending December 10, 2016 of \$207,569.94, and department head reports from Finance & Administration and Bock, Inc. The consent agenda items were approved on a motion made by Council Member Wallace-McKenna and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Bills submitted for approval totaling \$205,569.94 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Wallace-McKenna and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Council Member Koehler questioned how often the scale inhibitor was purchased. City Clerk Edwards reported that it was purchased 2-3 times per year. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Mayor Looney asked if anyone wished to speak. There being no such requests Mayor Looney moved on to new business.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance #3867 amending Section 9.8.2 Sick Leave of the Administrative Code of the City of Kewanee was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Wallace-McKenna. City Manager Bradley explained that the State Statute changed and the change would simply make us compliant with the statute. The statute extended the use of sick leave to immediate family. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5027 authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Pat's Landscape Service for the planting, care and maintenance of the downtown planters was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Wallace-McKenna. Council Member Koehler noted his displeasure with the cost of watering. There was a brief discussion regarding the tasks that would be completed. Roll call showed 4 ayes, 1 nay, with Council Member Koehler casting the dissenting vote. The motion passed.

Resolution #5028 authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Wade Werkheiser for the cash rent of the City's farmland was approved on a motion made by Council Member Koehler and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. City Manager Bradley reported that a request for proposal was sent out that was substantially the same as in the past, with the exception of the 4.4 acres Council declared excess and no codicil for sludge application. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution # 5029 authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Michlig Energy LTD for the provision of fuel for City vehicles and equipment for calendar year 2017 was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. City Manager expressed that this was the current vendor for fuel and they had been responsive. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Mayor Looney opened a discussion regarding the request from the Neponset Fire Protection District (NFPD) for the City of Kewanee Fire Department to provide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to their residents and visitors. Fire Chief Shook provided information regarding call volume, expanse of the area currently covered, and other current EMS services provided. Dave Mueller, NFPD Trustee, reminded the Council that Kewanee was secondary at this time, and was answering a little less than half of the calls already in that position. Council Members were apprehensive to commit to the service at this time, agreeing to continue in the second position to assist the NFPD.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Wallace-McKenna wished everyone a safe & happy New Year.

Council Member Schweitzer also wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Council Member Koehler encouraged everyone to have a safe New Year celebration.

Council Member Yaklich thanked staff and City Manager Bradley for their work on the Enterprise Zone application. He also noted that Senator Weaver and Representative-elect Swanson had met with the Mayor and City Manager in regards to the application. He also wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mayor Looney noted that there was several city staff members involved in the Enterprise Zone Application, and thanked them for their assistance. He also thanked city staff for their work on clearing the ice and snow. He then wished everyone a Happy New Year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Edwards announced that City Hall offices would be closed in celebration of Christmas on Monday, January 2. There would be no change to the trash collection schedule. Christmas Trees free of decorations would be picked up on January 6, 9, and 13th.

There being no further business, Council Member Schweitzer moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Wallace-McKenna seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.



MELINDA EDWARDS, CITY CLERK



DATE APPROVED