

**COUNCIL MEETING 17-04
FEBRUARY 27, 2017**

The City Council met in Council Chambers at 5:30 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 Yaklich moved to adjourn to executive session at 5:31 PM pursuant to Section 2 (C) (1) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing personnel, Section 2(c)(2) to discuss collective bargaining, and Section 2(C)(11) to discuss probable litigation. Council Member Wallace-McKenna seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

The executive session was adjourned at 5:55 PM on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

A budget work session was opened at 6:15 PM, with all members present. The budget session adjourned at 6:54 PM on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Council Meeting #17-04 reconvened at 7:00 PM with Mayor Looney stating the Council is reconvening following an executive session discussion concerning personnel, collective bargaining, and pending or imminent litigation and a budget work session.

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 February 13, 2017 Council Meeting, payroll for the pay period ending February 22, 2017 in the amount of \$188,940.13 and staff reports from Fire Department and Bock, Inc. The consent agenda items were approved on a motion made by Council Member Wallace-McKenna and seconded by Council Member Koehler. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Mayor Looney reminded the audience to come up to the front to answer or pose any questions, so that viewers at home could hear the entire business taking place.

Bills submitted for approval totaling \$262,361.11 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Wallace-McKenna and seconded by Council Member Koehler. Council Member Yaklich questioned the heater at the depot. City Manager Bradley noted that there had been complaints about the heat at the depot. Staff has found that the heater installed was not the appropriate size for the depot, so a booster heater was installed. Council Member Yaklich also questioned the blades from Patriot Diamond. Public Works Operations Manager Johnson explained that the blades were diamond blades used for cutting pavement. Finally, Council Member Yaklich noted that we were still utilizing Westrum Leak Detection. City Engineer Nobel explained that a fire hydrant had been struck by a vehicle, which resulted in a large drop in water supply. Westrum was called in to assist in finding the leak. Several leaks were found, but there was still a small change in water usage being researched. Nobel also noted that the west clarifier was up and running at the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP), and the east clarifier was down for the improvements, so the large water usage at the WWTP had ended. Roll 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

The Plan Commission minutes from their meeting held on February 23, 2017 were accepted on a motion made by Council Member Wallace-McKenna and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3873 granting a rezoning request for the east 25 foot of even width off the entire east line of land located at 144 Junior Avenue for R-2 One Family Dwelling to R-5 Multiple Family Dwelling was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Wallace-McKenna. Council Member Yaklich noted that the Plan Commission had recommended the approval. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3874 granting a rezoning request and Special Use Permit to George Koustas, d/b/a/ Crowe Auto Group to allow for trailer sales and rentals was tabled, at the request of Crowe Auto Group, on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5037 awarding the Oak/Park/Prospect Storm Sewer Project to Legacy Corporation of East Moline, Il was approved on a motion made by Council Member Wallace-McKenna and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Council Members were glad to see the project, as the flooding had been a problem for awhile. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3875 creating Chapter 158 Fencing Regulations was tabled to allow some additional changes to the temporary fencing section allowing fencing around a garden on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Council Member Yaklich had made a motion to pass the ordinance with a second from Council Member Wallace-McKenna. Council Member Schweitzer questioned the need for a permit for temporary fencing around gardens. With the questions regarding fencing around gardens and the request for a potential amendment, Council Members Yaklich and Wallace-McKenna withdrew their previous motions. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3876 creating Chapter 159 Swimming Pool Regulations was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Wallace-McKenna. Council Member Wallace-McKenna questioned the need for a permit for a \$10 pool from Wal-Mart. Community Development Director Edwards reported the section in the code that exempts those types of pools. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5038 amending guidelines for the use of incentives for Economic and Community Development was tabled on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Council Member Schweitzer had made a motion to pass the resolution, with a second from Council Member Yaklich. City Manager Bradley noted that the changes requested at the previous meeting had been made, with the exception of the amount for the infill development, as there had not been a recommended amount. Council Member Yaklich made a motion to amend the amount of the infill development grant to \$10,000, with Council Member Wallace-McKenna seconding the motion. Council Member Schweitzer questioned the map of the area included in the program. With the additional questions from Council Member Yaklich, the motions to approve and amend were withdrawn. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5039 authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with E&J Equipment for the purchase of a used sewer camera truck and Key Equipment for the purchase of a used sewer camera was approved on a motion made by Council Member Koehler and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Public Works Operations Manager Johnson explained the benefits of the requested equipment, including a lateral launch to view the first six feet of connected lateral lines and the ability to repair connections by installing chemical grout, provided the pipes are intact. The equipment would be used for a proactive approach to sewer repairs, rather than the reactive approach taken in the past. The used equipment was in good shape, and up-to-date technology. Council Member Schweitzer questioned where the funds requested above the budgeted amount would come from, with City Manager Bradley explaining that they would come from the fund balance. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Wallace-McKenna commended the leadership from the Fire and Police Departments for working together through the recent tragedies in the community. She also congratulated area sports teams for their accomplishments.

Council Member Schweitzer also commended the system in place for the Police and Fire Departments. She congratulated the Boilers on their Regional win and the Bravettes on their State win.

Council Member Koehler asked for an update on Well Four. City Engineer Nobel explained that the pump was pulled on Friday. The chloride testing process would take place Monday through Wednesday. The bottom 120 feet of piping was quite rusty, and it was new five years prior. They would test pump the next week to determine capacity at different levels; after that, a formal proposal for depth and how much to seal off would be made to the Council.

Council Member Yaklich echoed the sentiments of Council Members Schweitzer and Wallace-McKenna. The safety employees had really been tasked over the last 3-4 weeks, and had done an excellent job. He urged citizens to allow the Police Department to do their job, and offered prayers to all those affected by the three tragic events.

Mayor Looney thanked Chief Shook for his detailed report. He also thanked staff for their service. He congratulated the Bravettes on their state victory, and wished the Boilers good luck on their Sectional game.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Looney reminded residents of Daylight Savings Time on Sunday, March 12 and to spring ahead their clocks by an hour.

There being no further business, Council Member Schweitzer moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Yaklich seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.


MELINDA EDWARDS, CITY CLERK


DATE APPROVED