

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, DECEMBER 1, 2015
CITY COUNCIL
DOUG FAAS, MAYOR, PRESIDING

The City Council of the City of Evansdale, Iowa met in regular session, according to law, the rules of said Council and prior notice given each member thereof, in the Council Chambers of City Hall of Evansdale, Iowa at 6:00 P.M. on the above date. Council members present in order of roll call: Dewater, Loftus, Walker, Nichols, and Seible. Quorum present.

Seible/Walker to approve the December 1, 2015 agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Mayor Faas presented the Bunger Middle School Students of the Month with the student of the month certificates for the month of October 2015: Emily Chandler, Raul Tapia, Avion Moffet, Daniel Landin, Jade Cox, Payne Geiger, and Keilei Reyes. For the month of November 2015: Ariana Vogel, Shakhia Cook, Anthony Barillas, Neveah Jones, Juan Escobar, Danica Sheridan, and Trevor Averhoff

Seible/Nichols to approve the following items on the December 1, 2015 consent agenda with the exception of item a) November 17, 2015 regular meeting minutes and b) Resolution 5898 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. c) Liquor License renewal for Casey's General Store #2864, River Forest Road—expires 12-27-2015. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to approve November 17, 2015 regular meeting minutes, as amended by changing the roll call vote on the agenda item “tabling request to approve a one-time payment for salaried positions” to a nay for Nichols. Motion carried.

Nichols/Seible to approve Resolution 5898 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Councilman Seible questioned engineering fees for the River Forest Road Project and asked if we had a cost estimate for engineering fees. Mayor Faas responded that we did receive an estimate and that we could forward a copy to him. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Walker to open the Public Hearing - Proposal for Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Technical Services at 6:07p.m. Proof of publication on file, no public comments were received. Mayor Faas asked for comments, there were none. Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to close public hearing at 6:07 p.m. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Seible/Walker to approve Resolution 5899 approving bid and form of contract for the proposal for Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Technical Services with INRCOG, Waterloo, IA, in the amount of \$44,000 (reimbursable by the CDBG program) and authorize Mayor and City Clerk to sign said contract. Councilman Seible questioned if an area has been designated for this project. INRCOG representative, Cindy Knox, explained yes it has been designated, she also explained the cost break-down of the project and that the city would be reimbursed for administrative services by the grant. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Dewater/Loftus to approve Resolution 5900 levying assessments for nuisance abatement costs. Councilman Seible questioned the abatement process. City Clerk, Kobliska explained the process for nuisance abatement. Councilman Nichols questioned the mowing fees and minimum cost for mowing. Kobliska responded \$150 is the minimum charge for mowing a small lot and that the fee was set by council. Councilman Dewater & Nichols questioned one of the properties on the list, as property owner was deceased. Sandy Clements, 218 Trail, Stated that a relative was living in the home. Kobliska explained that

every possible attempt to serve notifications as well as invoices, is made. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four. Nays-One (Nichols). Motion carried.

Dewater/Seible to approve Resolution 5901 setting date of public hearing concerning weed, mowing and/or clean-up of yard fees and repair assessments. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Nichols/Loftus to approve request from Shoff Engineering to have Meyers Lake storm water outlet, as required by the Corps of Engineers, and River Forest Road storm sewer televised by Central Iowa Televising of McCallsburg, IA in the amount of \$4,200. John Peverill, 543 East End Ave., questioned why the top was taken off the weir at Meyers Lake. Mayor Faas responded that the weir has been repaired, and that this request is for the televising of the outlet that is required by the Army Corps of Engineers. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Loftus/Walker request from Public Works to purchase a set of tires from D and D Tire, Raymond, IA for the 2003 Sterling Dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$2,640. Councilman Seible questioned if we have DOT specs on file to determine whether tires need to be replaced. Mayor Faas stated that the Public Works Director is authorized to determine tire replacement based on vehicle usage. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Nichols/Dewater to propose a 25 year lease agreement with the City of Elk Run Heights with an option to renew. The lease will hold harmless and indemnify the City of Evansdale from any liability and will require that the city of Elk Run Heights identify and complete all repairs and maintenance of the suspension bridge that is located in both Bunger and Mayor Parks. Mayor Faas explained that Elk Run Heights requested a 28E agreement or lease allowing them the rights to the bridge. Councilman Nichols requested that we give them the whole thing. City Attorney, Craig Ament, explained the difference between a 28E agreement and a lease option. Nichols commented that according to the City of Elk Run Heights engineer, the bridge is okay. Mayor Faas stated that their engineer stated the bridge is okay for intended use, however, identified many areas that need to be repaired. Mayor Faas asked City Attorney to prepare lease for council to approve. Roll call vote: Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Discussion: Mayor Faas updated the council on the following items: Beaver damage in Elk Run Creek that will need to be addressed. Councilman Dewater asked if the DNR needed to be contacted. Mayor Faas responded yes and that he will contact them. The sanitary sewer lagoon will have to be repaired. After consulting with city engineer, we will use a material to patch the lagoon until spring and address the permanent repairs at that time. Councilman Walker questioned if the city is still having dialog with other cities for sewer, water, ambulance, and possible police services. Mayor Faas responded yes. Councilman Nichols questioned if the streets were swept this fall as the storm sewers look clogged. Mayor Faas responded no as the company that proposed to sweep did not contact us until the week of the snowstorm, at that point it was too late. The street crew has inspected and cleaned several storm sewers. Councilman Loftus questioned the backed up sewer last week and if the back-up was due to grease build up. Mayor Faas responded that it wasn't and the area in question will be cleaned and jetted to prevent further back-up.

Loraine Atkins, 625 River Forest Road, stated again that she is not in favor of the proposed River Forest Road Project. Dave Helmricks, 537 River Forest Road, stated that he is not in favor of the project as well due to the heavy truck traffic and local traffic.

There being no further discussion, Walker/Seible to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Doug Faas, Mayor

DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk