

Eldora City Council
Regular Council Meeting
September 11, 2018 -- 6:00 pm

Eldora City Council met in Regular Session with Mayor David Dunn presiding. Council members Greg Priske, Bob John, Blake Jones, Melody Hoy and Aaron Budweg were present. Also present were City Administrator David Mitchell, Chandra Kyte, Marty Petersen, Rick Patrie, Floyd Rinnels, Grace Kadolph, Andy & Erica Place, Tina John, Matt Rezac, Jack Brekke, Jerry Kramer, Richard Riley, Gary Van Den Boom, Ryan Sutcliff, Owen Spencer, Troy McDonald and Carson Lutterman.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Dunn asked for a motion to accept the consent agenda. Council member Hoy motioned, seconded by John. Roll call vote: "ayes": Jones, John, Priske and Hoy; "nays": none; absent: Budweg. (Aaron Budweg arrived late to the meeting) Motion carried. The consent agenda consists of the August 12th minutes, the monthly claims and financials and the tree trimming license for Anderson/Gray's Tree Service.

Mayor Dunn opened the citizens comment period and Floyd Rinnels was inquiring about the railroad property by his place. He has been mowing it and was check to see if the City was going to sell it. Blake Jones has spoken with Dave Rubow about the property title and Dave said the courthouse has it owned by the railroad and the railroad said it belongs to the City. Dave Rubow could do a research of transaction for about \$300-500.00 and see who owns it. Richard Riley was asking about the alley behind his house. It is not used and grass has grown over it. Each homeowner mows the area behind them. He would like to put a fence in his back yard but would like to know what the City's plan for the alley is first. There is a utility pole in the alley that would need an easement to get to. Richard also asked about parking on the sidewalk. A citizen was parking over the sidewalk in front of their garage. He also wanted to know who is responsible for maintaining the sidewalks.

Mayor Dunn opened the old business. The council discussed the YMCA outstanding bill from McDowell & Sons Contractors, Inc. Peter Harrison and Maria Perez do not want to spend money for their side of the YMCA building. It would be around \$10,500.00 to fix the Harrison/Perez wall. Curt Crosser had an estimate of \$4,700.00 to repair his wall on the 1413 Washington Street building. The only contract with McDowell & Sons was for the estimate of tearing down the building. Damage to the walls are between the owners and McDowell & Sons Contractors. The City did help A Cut Above with the cost to repair their wall with a LOST grant. The council determined any agreement about Curt's wall would have been between McDowell & Sons and Curt Crosser. Council member Priske motioned to approve paying the final bill from McDowell & Sons Contractors, Inc, seconded by Jones. Roll call vote: "ayes": Priske, Budweg, Hoy, John and Jones; "nays": none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

The council discussed remodeling the old fire station. The architects had estimated the building remodel cost to be \$75,000.00 and adding sleeping rooms to the north of the building to be \$100-\$120,000.00. The sleeping rooms would be on the north of the building and be about 16x60. They were also needing to replace an ambulance at a cost of \$125,000.00 for a remount. These could be done in phases or all at once. The ambulance has funds available for all of these projects. The council did not want to use most of the reserve funds at once and would like to see about adding the new ambulance remount to the leasing program also. The council would like to see bid numbers for the fire station project and David Mitchell will get the process started.

The council was updated from the Street & Alley Committee. The committee recommended that the ordinance be clarified to state fences will be in side and rear yards only and they recommended that 9th Avenue between Washington Street and 14th Street be 15mph. Ordinances will be made for the October meeting.

Mayor Dunn introduced Resolution 9-18-2762, Resolution approving the FY 17/18 City Street Finance Report. This report lets the State know how the Road Use Tax was spent. The City received \$348,576.00 for the 17/18 year. Council member John motioned to approve Resolution 9-18-2762, seconded by Priske. Roll call vote: “ayes”: John, Priske, Jones, Budweg and Hoy; “nays”: none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dunn introduced Resolution 9-18-2763, Resolution establishing parade route for the South Hardin High School homecoming parade. The parade will be Friday September 21 starting at the elementary school on 11th Street at 2:00pm. Council member Budweg motioned to approve Resolution 9-18-2763, seconded by John. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Budweg, John, Priske, Jones and Hoy; “nays”: none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dunn introduced Resolution 9-18-2764, Resolution naming the City’s approved depositories and setting investment limits. The resolution was updated to include Great Western Bank. Council member Hoy motioned to approve Resolution 9-18-2764, seconded by Priske. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Hoy, Priske, John, Budweg and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dunn introduced Resolution 9-18-2765, Resolution approving claim for payment from Ritland+Kuiper Architects for work at Memorial Park. The City has agreed to pay up to \$19,000.00 and have paid \$11,750.00 already. Invoice No.3 is for \$987.50. This project is now projected to be completed in 2019. Aaron Budweg would like to see someone from the Vet Memorial Committee present at the council meetings to answer questions if needed to. Council member John motioned to accept Resolution 9-18-2765, seconded by Jones. Roll call

vote: “ayes”: John, Jones, Budweg, Priske and Hoy; “nays”: none. Motion carried unanimously.

The Eldora City Management Deer Hunt is October 1, 2018 to January 10, 2019. The designated area map is on the City website. Forms may be picked up at City Hall for archery hunting only. Council member Budweg motioned to support the 2018-2019 deer hunt, seconded by Priske. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Budweg, Priske, Hoy, John and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 9-18-2766, Resolution approving the hiring and setting wages for ambulance personnel. The ambulance has hired four more part-time drivers. The drivers have a class D chauffer license and are trained as to where items are at in the ambulance so they can assist the EMT/Paramedic. Council member Budweg motioned, seconded by Priske to approve Resolution 9-18-2766. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Budweg, Priske, John, Hoy and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 9-18-2767, Resolution approving the hiring and setting wages for street department personnel. Brandon Jones was hired to the street department. He will start October 1. Brandon had interviewed with the City for Clyde’s position before Mike Rogers moved over to the street department. Council member Hoy motioned, seconded by John to approve Resolution 9-18-2767. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Hoy, John, Budweg, Priske, and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 9-18-2768, Resolution approving the addition of street lead worker duties to Tim Harless. With Bob Jones retiring, Tim Harless will take on the duties of lead worker for the street department. The council discussed if Tim should now be moved to salary from hourly. Tim will have to report to Kelly. Tim will be in charge of the work orders and ground work for the street department. Kelly will be in charge of budget, safety, equipment and finances for the street department. There will be a 6 months review to see how things are working. The council would like to see the Personnel Committee involved next time. Council member Jones motioned, seconded by Priske to approve Resolution 9-18-2768. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Priske, Jones, John and Hoy; “nays”: Budweg; absent: none. Motion carried.

Resolution 9-18-2769, Resolution approving the addition of Public Works Director duties to Kelly Haskin. With the retiring of Bob Jones, Kelly will be supervising both water/sewer and street. Council member Budweg motioned, seconded by Priske to approve Resolution 9-18-2769. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Jones, Priske, John, Budweg and Hoy; “nays”: none; absent: none. Motion carried unanimously.

David Mitchell gave the administrators report and the Council members gave their concerns at this time. Melody Hoy gave the Park & Rec update. They discussed a good neighbor

program, community garden, storm water art and winter pickle ball at the community building. She said Nelly Limas purchased the property from Craig Froning and are planning for a spring building project. Aaron Budweg has an Sept. 18 Emergency Management meeting to hire a part-time director. David Dunn met with the South Hardin principal about having a City Flag design by the students.

Mayor Dunn asked for a motion to adjourn. Council member Hoy so moved, meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

David W. Dunn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Chandra Kyte, Deputy City Clerk