

Eldora City Council
Regular Council Meeting
October 9, 2018 -- 6:00 pm

Eldora City Council met in Regular Session with Mayor David Dunn presiding. Council members Aaron Budweg, Greg Priske, Blake Jones and Melody Hoy were present. Also, present were City Administrator David Mitchell, Chandra Kyte, Rick Patrie, Floyd Rinnels, Lynn Willson, Nicole Meyer, Jim Sween, Kela Stegen, Troy McDonald, Lois Legg, Mark Legg, Matt Rezab, Michael Ludwigs, Jerry Kramer, Gary Van Den Boom, Jack Brekke, Mark Buschkamp, Angela De La Riva, Seth LaMasters and Mike May Jr.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Dunn asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing and Council member Budweg so moved, seconded by Hoy. Roll call vote: "ayes": Jones, Budweg, Priske and Hoy; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried. The Public Hearing opened at 6:04pm. The City received three bids on properties for sale and David Mitchell opened them. One bid for \$100.00 was received from Kela Stegen for property at 1202 15th Street. Two bids were received on 1914 Washington Street from Aaron Clemons and Mark Legg. Aaron Clemons was the higher bidder at \$50.00 but was not present at the meeting. Mark Legg's bid was \$25.00 and had the option to raise his bid if he would like and he did to \$100.00. There were no bids on 1315 19th Avenue. Mayor Dunn asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing and Council member Hoy so moved, seconded by Jones. Roll call vote: "ayes": Jones, Budweg, Priske and Hoy; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:08pm. The Mayor introduced Resolution 10-18-2770, Resolution to Sell Real Estate. Council member Jones motioned to approve Resolution 10-18-2770 and sell the real estate to Stegen and Legg, seconded by Hoy. Roll call vote: "ayes": Jones, Budweg, Priske and Hoy; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunn asked for a motion to accept the consent agenda. Council member Hoy motioned, seconded by Budweg. Roll call vote: "ayes": Jones, Budweg, Priske and Hoy; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried. The consent agenda consists of the September 11th minutes, the monthly claims and financials and the approval of firefighters Matt Farley and Malcolm Wright.

Mayor Dunn opened the citizens comment period and Jim Sween spoke on behalf of the Pine Lake Mobile Park (PLMP). There was a 1992 agreement with the PLMP owners to have individual meters for each trailer. The PLMP has changed owners a couple of times since then and they feel the agreement should transfer with the new owners. Jim also pointed out in the Code of Ordinance 91.06 where it states that the City will provide individual meters to each resident in the PLMP. Jim and Marty have discussed whether the agreement runs with the land or the owners. Jim thought the park owners sold the park with all of the assets and the agreement being one of the assets. Mike Ludwigs introduced the new police officer Sam Lovan who came from Minnesota. He is already certified in Minnesota and Iowa will accept Minnesota

certification. Floyd Rinnels gave the Mayor a bill for mowing along 9th Street from 2001 to date. The bill total \$42,800.00

Angela De La Riva from the Ackley Development Commission and Mark Buschkamp from Iowa Falls Development Commission gave a presentation on their services available to the City of Eldora. Part of their wages is covered by the Hardin County Supervisors so there would be no cost to Eldora for their services. They would help with economic development for business when needed. They work full-time at their City so most of their time will be spent in Ackley and Iowa Falls.

Beggar's Night for Eldora will be October 30th from 5:00 to 7:00pm.

Mayor Dunn introduced Resolution 10-18-2771, Resolution approving the hiring and setting wages for Iesarha (Sam) Lovan as a full-time police department employee. Iesarha goes by Sam and comes from St. Louis Park area. He and his wife are from Des Moines and wanted to get back to this area. Sam is already certified with Minnesota and that certification transfers to Iowa. Sam is also a certified juvenile officer. Council member Priske motioned to approve Resolution 10-18-2771, seconded by Hoy. Roll call vote: "ayes": Budweg, Priske, Jones and Hoy; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried.

Mayor Dunn introduced Resolution 10-18-2772, Resolution approving claim for payment for Ritland+Kuiper Landscape Architects for work at Memorial Park. Of the \$19,000.00 pledged for this project, \$12,737.50 has already been spent. This invoice is for \$2,250.00 and would bring the total up to \$14,987.50. Council member Hoy motioned to accept Resolution 10-18-2772, seconded by Jones. Roll call vote: "ayes": Jones, Budweg, Priske and Hoy; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried.

Resolution 10-18-2773, Resolution approving change for Resolution 8-18-2756 the hiring and setting wages for Jamal Currica as a full-time police department employee. It was noticed that the .50 cent per hour increase after six months was left out and this resolution amends that. Council member Jones motioned, seconded by Budweg to approve Resolution 10-18-2773. Roll call vote: "ayes": Budweg, Priske, Hoy and Jones; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 850, Ordinance amending Chapter 165 of the Eldora Municipal Code was introduced. The street and alley committee recommended last month to not allow fences or hedges in the front yards and the back yards fences or hedges would not be over 6 feet tall. If a citizen wants a front yard fence/hedge or a backyard fence over 6 feet tall they would need to apply to the board of adjustment for a variance. Any fence/hedge already in place will be grandfathered in. Council member Hoy motioned, seconded by Budweg to approve Ordinance No. 850. Roll call vote: "ayes": Hoy, Budweg, Priske and Jones; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried. Council member Jones motioned, seconded by Budweg, to waive the 2nd & 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 850. Roll call vote: "ayes": Hoy, Budweg, Priske and Jones; "nays": none; absent: John. Motion carried. The Mayor asked for a motion to pass the 2nd and 3rd

reading for Ordinance No. 850. Council member Jones so moved, seconded by Priske. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Priske, Hoy, Budweg and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: John. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 852, Ordinance amending Chapter 63 of the Eldora Municipal Code was introduced. The streets and alley committee recommended last month to reduce the speed on one block of 9th Avenue from Washington Street to 14th Street. The speed on this block will be reduced to 15mph due to its narrowness of the street. Michael Ludwigs said the police department will be giving out warnings instead of tickets to drivers on this block until they get use to the new speed limit. Council member Priske motioned, seconded by Hoy to approve Ordinance No. 852. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Hoy, Budweg, Priske and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: John. Motion carried. Council member Hoy motioned, seconded by Jones, to wave the 2nd & 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 852. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Hoy, Budweg, Priske and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: John. Motion carried. The Mayor asked for a motion to pass the 2nd and 3rd reading for Ordinance No. 852. Council member Jones so moved, seconded by Hoy. Roll call vote: “ayes”: Priske, Hoy, Budweg and Jones; “nays”: none; absent: John. Motion carried.

David Mitchell gave the administrators report. Aaron Budweg said the 911 Board has agreed to reimburse the EMS \$1,000.00 for their equipment. The Emergency Management will be meeting again to see about filling the part-time director. The two applicants they had have pulled their application. Blake Jones has talked the Grundy Center about their School Resource Officer and she can be called for any questions. He is also disappointed in all the email/text/calls he has received concerning the EMS. The EMS has had lots of “startup” cost due to the walk out with vehicles, uniforms, equipment, new employees and the move. He feels those who have left still want to wreak havoc and remain negative on the issues. Melody Hoy informed the council that at the end of the month someone is coming to look at the hospital for assisted living quarters and thought the City crew could help clean up a bit before they come. She is glad the EMS is moving forward to their new location and having the sleeping rooms and vehicles at the clinic for those who needed them.

Mayor Dunn asked for a motion to adjourn. Council member Hoy so moved, meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

David W. Dunn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Chandra Kyte, Deputy City Clerk