

December 2, 2019

The Keota City Council met on December 2, 2019, at the Keota City Hall. The work session was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Mayor Anthony Cansler.

Council Members answering roll call were: Matt Greiner, Scott Westendorf, Keith Conrad, Mike Bender, and Rod Hill. City employee present was Tomisha Hammes. Also in attendance was Nick Beinhart.

The Pool was discussed. There was a letter from the city attorney with questions he had in regards to the resolution that the Pool Advocates had requested at the previous meeting. There was a letter from the Keota Pool Advocates with their intentions that was reviewed. The letter included commitment to find ways to reduce the financial impact of building the new pool, exploring new avenues to staff and run the pool, and continued fundraising/grant seeking. There was a petition of redress signed by thirty-five Keota residents stating that they request the City of Keota not take ownership of the proposed pool, will make no commitment to fund the pool, and will not propose a second bond issue. All three letters/petitions were reviewed and discussed by the Council. No decisions were made.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to adjourn the work session at 6:30 p.m. Scott Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The Keota City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Anthony Cansler.

Kevin Miller requested closed session per Iowa Code 21.5.1.i for his evaluation. Motion was made by Keith Conrad to go into closed session for Kevin Miller's evaluation. Scott Westendorf seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes –Greiner, Westendorf, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Abstain – None; Absent – None. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. Meeting went into closed session at 6:31 p.m.

Motion was made by Matt Greiner to end closed session at 6:44 p.m. Scott Westendorf seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes –Greiner, Westendorf, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Abstain – None; Absent – None. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Kevin Slaubaugh requested closed session per Iowa Code 21.5.1.i for his evaluation. Motion was made by Matt Greiner to go into closed session for Kevin Slaubaugh's evaluation. Scott Westendorf seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes – Greiner, Westendorf, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Abstain – None; Absent – None. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. Meeting went into closed session at 6:45 p.m.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to end closed session at 6:59 p.m. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes –Greiner, Westendorf, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Abstain – None; Absent – None. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Anthony Cansler opened the Public Hearing for the 105 North Davis Street property sale. There were no verbal or written comments, complaints, or concerns regarding the property sale. There was one seal bid received for the property sale. Mayor Cansler opened the seal bid.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to approve the seal bid for 105 North Davis Street from Miss Emma – Tiffany Greiner and Penny Stout for \$1,800.00. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Westendorf, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Abstain – Greiner; Absent – None. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Motion was made by Mike Bender to close the public hearing. Scott Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Anthony Cansler called the regular meeting to order.

Council members answering roll call were: Matt Greiner, Scott Westendorf, Keith Conrad, Mike Bender, and Rod Hill. City Employees present were Doug Conrad and Tomisha Hammes. Also in attendance was Bill Miller, Alice Greiner, Sue McDonald, Curt Burroughs, Jeremy Schlabach, Laci Droll, Chris Flander, Jane Flander, Mary Dickinson, Raymond Dickinson, Necole Miller, Jim Tinnes, Jason Milam, Sheila Horras, Nick Beinhart, Dan Flynn, Tom Hahn, and Mary Pat Redlinger.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to approve the consent agenda including the minutes from the November 18, 2019 meeting and payment of bills. Rod Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**CITY OF KEOTA
DECEMBER 2, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING
FOR PERIOD NOVEMBER 19, 2019 - DECEMBER 2, 2019**

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
BURROUGHS, ESTHER	\$25.22	Payroll
CONRAD, DOUGLAS L.	\$1,793.78	Payroll
GREINER, ASHLEY	\$25.22	Payroll
GREINER, TONIA	\$744.79	Payroll
HAMMES, TOMISHA	\$1,025.28	Payroll
MILLER, KEVIN	\$1,207.48	Payroll
SLAUBAUGH, KEVIN L.	\$1,446.62	Payroll
EFTPS	\$1,830.67	Employee Withholdings
IPERS	\$2,657.33	Employee Benefits
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	\$1,608.25	Debt Interest Payment - Water Main Davis/Broadway
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	\$2,715.00	Debt Interest Payment - Davis Street Water Main
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	\$2,178.75	Debt Interest Payment - Water Treatment Plant
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	\$28,380.68	Debt Interest Payment - Waste Water Treatment Plant
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	\$1,295.00	Debt Interest Payment - Water Tower
ALL AMERICAN PEST CONTROL	\$30.00	Library - Pest Control
CASH	\$100.00	Library - Postage/Petty Cash
CENTERPOINT LARGE PRINT	\$44.34	Library - 2 LG Print Books
DEMCO	\$1,263.37	Library - Memorial Table/Supplies
INFOMA	\$153.71	Library - Copier Lease
KEOTA EAGLE FOODS	\$99.01	Library - Programs
MALLEY HARDWARE	\$17.89	Library - Supplies
MID AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP.	\$82.00	Library - Newspaper Subscription
WINDSTREAM	\$143.73	Library - Phone/Fax
UNITED STATES POST OFFICE	\$131.25	Water/Sewer - Monthly Bills Postage
WINDSTREAM	\$186.48	City Dept. - Phone/Fax
MENARDS	\$116.45	Sewer - Insulation for Sampler
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC	\$17.66	Water - Repair Ridgid
AHLERS & COONEY PC	\$1,417.74	Legal - Pool Bond Issue for Ballot
IOWA DEPT. OF AG	\$15.00	Parks - License Renewal
KOCH OFFICE GROUP	\$110.57	All Dept. - Copier Fee
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSN.	\$225.00	Water - Association Dues
KEVIN WALLERICH	\$115.00	Library - Snow Removal for November
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	\$194.76	All Dept. - City Website
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	\$598.90	Library - Books, Programs, DVDs
VERIZON	\$40.01	Police - Hot Spot
MID AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP.	\$459.86	All Dept. Printing & Publishing
TREMMELE BACKHOE SERVICE	\$1,184.00	Water - New Line
TREMMELE BACKHOE SERVICE	\$350.00	Water - New Curb Stop
TREMMELE BACKHOE SERVICE	\$700.00	Streets - Concrete Removal Ramsey Bldg.
ALLIANT ENERGY	\$7,019.25	All Dept. Gas/Electric

TOTAL \$61,724.83

Citizens Forum: Bill Miller stated that he has presented the Council with a petition of redress in regards to the pool and that the signatures were all done within one week. The petition was reviewed in work session. Jason Milam stated he received a ticket on Friday about the junk at his property when everyone else received a letter. Doug Conrad stated that there was no citation given to Milam and that he had already been cited three previous times for the junk at his property. Conrad also asked Milam to please keep his property cleaned up otherwise Conrad will be forced to write citations in regards to the junk. Dan Flynn invited the Council, Mayor, and public to the Keota Historical Museum Open House on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Matt Greiner to table the Public Works Report. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Officer Doug Conrad presented his Police Report. Motion was made by Mike Bender to approve the Police Report. Scott Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. Report period November 15 through November 27, 2019: Complaints/Service Calls – 11: one theft, two simple assault, one vandalism, one weapons, two misc. complaints, one dog/cat/misc. animal, one traffic violation, one parking, one domestic abuse; Citations – 2: speed/alternative enforcement, unregistered vehicles.

Motion was made by Mike Bender to approve the LL Pelling Co. 2020 Sealcoat Work Proposal. Rod Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Scott Westendorf to approve Resolution 2019-43: Budgeted Transfer from General Local Option Fund to the Library Fund. Keith Conrad seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes – Greiner, Westendorf, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Abstain – None; Absent – None. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Mike Bender to approve Variance Application for Animals at 305 W. Keokuk Avenue. Scott Westendorf seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes – Greiner, Westendorf, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Abstain – None; Absent – None. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Discussion was held on the future of the Keota Pool. The Keota Pool Advocates attended to ask the Council if a resolution could be ready for the next council meeting stating that the City would back grants that they apply for, take over operating expenses for the pool starting in 2021, and to do a bond issue again in 2020. Councilman Greiner stated that as for the three items that the Keota Pool Advocates are requesting – he believes that by purchasing the pool from Lagos Acres and then approving a bond issue in 2019 the Keota City Council has already agreed to take responsibility for the operating expenses of the pool. The Council typically always approves supporting grants that organizations in Keota apply for, so the final item is the bond issue request to approve. Greiner went on to say that if the bond issue needs to happen, to put it on the ballot one more time, and if the vote is no, then the public has spoken and we won't work towards a new pool. Both sides, pro and con, for the pool were given the chance to voice their opinions during the discussion.

Clerk/Council/Mayor Comments: The Council and Mayor thanked those that attended the meeting and voiced their opinions.

The next Keota City Council meeting will take place on Monday, December 16, 2019 starting at 6:30 p.m. with employee evaluations and regular meeting to follow.

MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK TOMISHA HAMMES

*These are not official minutes. These minutes will be approve at the next council meeting. All documents mentioned in these minutes can be viewed during business hours at the Keota City Hall.