

APRIL 4, 2016

The Keota City Council met on April 4, 2016, in the city hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Mayor Protem Keith Conrad.

Council members answering roll call were Davis, Greiner, and Westendorf. Mayor Cansler and Council member Hill arrived after roll call was taken. City employees present were Slaubaugh, Conrad and Osweiler. John Butters, *The Washington Evening Journal*; Dan Flynn; Scott Flynn, City Attorney; Nick Mahan, Library Board; Tomisha Sprouse, Librarian; Karen Sypherd, Museum Board; Wanda Baumert, Museum Board; Karen Dickinson; Library Board; Denny Lyle, Visioning Committee; and Melinda Eakins, Visioning Committee, were also in attendance.

Motion was made by Davis to approve the agenda, Greiner seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Westendorf, seconded by Greiner to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A citizen was present to report a concern about multiple properties and how they are being maintained along with a safety concern. The council will have Osweiler issue the deed holders of parcels KOCOK-009300, KOCOK-001600, KOCOK-045200 & KOCOK-009200 a letter addressing the junk nuisance along with the safety concern. Officer Conrad will talk with the deed holders of the ones that have the safety concern.

Scott Flynn, city attorney, went over the drafted purchase agreement for the land needed from COOP for the trail head. There were eight addendums that he went over for the council to consider. The council asked that he look into the difference between the city or county owning a piece of land. He will get answers to the options the council is looking at and correspond with COOP attorney, too.

Denny Lyle and Melinda Eakins gave a brief summary of the idea to move the museum out of the library into a new location. They explained that nothing has been set and there is still a lot of discussion that has to be done between the museum board, city council, donor and themselves before a permanent plan can be put together. The council asked the two museum board members what their thoughts are on the idea. They are open to the idea but want their questions answered first before they sign off on it. Scott Flynn addressed that if the museum is taken out of the library than the city will need to make an ordinance setting the museum board up similar to the library board since they won't be an extension of the library board anymore. The council also pointed out some concerns that they have with this idea. Two council members and two museum board members are going to meet and talk about the concerns each board has and compile a list that can be presented to the donor and visioning committee. Future conversations will be had about this idea once answers are given to the main concerns the two boards have along with any questions the donor may have for either board, too.

Kevin Slaubaugh presented the following for the public works report. The snow plow and sander are put away for the season. Mowing has started for the year. Frederick has about two thirds of the meters in; if you have not received one, please call city hall to set up a time. Tremmel Backhoe will be in town to do some work on the road by the Veteran's Memorial; majority of the expense will be the Veteran's Memorial, but the city will have some minimal labor in there, too. Tremmel Backhoe will also be digging out the ditch on the north side of Lagos Acres to help with the water flow. The street light in front of 128 East Broadway will be moved in the near future. James Waterhouse Construction was the only contractor that submitted a bid for the tear down of the garage at 305 north Ellis. Conrad made a motion to approve the public works report, Greiner seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Westendorf to approve the 2015 CCR Report, Greiner seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Officer Doug Conrad presented the following report for the police department. He issued six citation: speeding/Alternative Enforcement, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of controlled substance, failure to yield upon entering through highway, failure to obey stop sign/alternative enforcement & failure to yield half of road/alternative enforcement. There were twelve complaints/service calls: controlled, disorderly conduct, three traffic accident, two assist/service, misc. complaint, wildlife, traffic violations, and domestic abuse. There was a miscommunication between service departments that caused a discrepancy that Officer Conrad addressed. He will take his tentative schedule over the county dispatch office

to hopefully clear up anything like this in the future. Motion was made by Conrad to approve the police departments report, Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Davis to approve Resolution 2016-6: A Resolution Accepting the Voluntary Agreement and Consent for Demolition and Clearing of 305 North Ellis Street Garage, Conrad seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: “Ayes”-Conrad, Hill, Davis, Westendorf & Greiner; & “Nays”-none. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve D.Johnson’s building permit, Greiner seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The library has to issue certain information to be in compliance with the state and will include it in the city’s newsletter. This will not cost the city anymore expense and they will print their own information. The council will vote on the final draft at the April 18th meeting.

Motion was made by Greiner to approve the payment of bills listed below, Davis seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

A discussion of how to handle mobile vendors will be on the next meeting agenda.

Motion was made by Hill, seconded by Westendorf to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:39 P.M. The next regular scheduled council meeting will be on April 18, 2016, in city hall at 7 p.m.

MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK NIKI OSWEILER