

JULY 5, 2016

The Keota City Council met on July 5, 2016, at city hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Anthony Cansler.

Council members answering roll call were Davis, Westendorf, Hill and Conrad. Council member Greiner arrived after roll call was taken. City employees present were Slaubaugh and Osweiler. Officer Conrad was unable to attend. Dan Flynn; Nick Mahan, Library Board; Jim Tinnes; Wanda Baumert, Museum Committee Member; Marilyn Luers, Museum Committee Member; Karen Sypherd, Museum Committee Member; Chris Flander; Craig Wiggins; Denny Lyle, Keota Visioning Committee; Melinda Eakins, Keota Visioning Committee; and John Butters, *The Washington Evening Journal*; were also in attendance.

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

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

Craig Wiggins addressed the council about his inquiry to purchase the alley off of South Fulton that runs between 202 and 208 South Fulton and the partial lot at the corner of South Fulton and Rock Island Avenue. The council said they haven't come to a definite decisions but will have it on the next meeting's agenda for discussion and approval either way.

No one was present from the Keota Ball Association but members have reported that the restrooms will start to be locked outside of games and they have been cleaned-up. The council tabled any more discussion on this item.

Denny Lyle, Keota Visioning Committee, informed the council that local contractors will be donating their labor and resources for one day to work on the KeWash Trail Head. He asked for the councils comments on installing a culvert under the driveway of the KeWash Trail Head to help with the excessive storm water. Slaubaugh and Lyle will talk with property owners that will be affected by this proposed change. This item will be on the next meeting's agenda. Lyle presented three different options for the sanitary sewer system at the KeWash Trail Head. The council looked over the three options and discussed the pros and cons of each one. They will not make a decision on the type of sanitary sewer service until the decision on what is all being constructed at the site is determined. Melinda Eakins, Keota Visioning Committee, discussed the grants she applied for with WCRF and Trees Forever. She will be applying for a grant through Iowa Living Projects Program.

Kevin Slaubaugh presented the following report for the public works department. The sidewalk project has started. He purchased crosswalk mats for the new curb. Frederick is still working on installing new water meters. Tremmel Backhoe will be in town fixing a culvert across from 504 south Davis and installing a new water service line to 205 south Ellis. The owner of 205 south Ellis is responsible for the sanitary sewer hook-up. Melinda Eakins inquired about the unpainted light poles. Slaubaugh informed her once the water meters are installed, than Frederick will start to work on that project, again. Slaubaugh was asked to fill in the hole by the cemetery on the road. Motion was made by Conrad to approve the public works department report, Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Officer Conrad submitted the following written report for the police department. He issued one citation for keeping bothersome animals (roosters) and had thirty-two complaints/service calls: five burglary, theft, vandalism, sex offenses, two controlled substances, intoxication, two disorderly conduct, two other criminal violations, traffic accident, six assist/service, civil dispute, two misc. investigations, two misc. complaints, three animal, traffic violations and harassment. Mayor Conrad informed the council that Officer Conrad said the vicious dog has been removed from city limits and council member Hill also verified this statement based on his personal

investigation. Davis was told by another person that the dog was still occupying the residence; Mayor Cansler ask that this witness contract Officer Conrad or another council member/mayor. There a two unlicensed vehicles that need to be looked at. Osweiler will give Officer Conrad the location of these vehicles when he is back from vacation. Motion was made by Conrad, seconded by Hill to approve the written police report. Motion carried unanimously.

Mary Pat Redlinger, pool manager, submitted the following comments regarding the pool. The pool is going good but everyone is still getting organized. Swim lessons went well but some kids were in the wrong level, which was addressed and corrected. She did not recommend any pay increases due to all employees are still learning and not all tasks are being completed to their fullest, along with excessive use of their cell phones. She has been getting complaints about how rough the bottom of the pool is. This past weekend the pool was closed to due to weather. The council ask that she address the choice of music that is played at the pool.

Motion was made by Davis to approve Sandra Stephens as the new library board member, Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Cansler ask that the discussion of names of interest parties for the museum board be tabled. He still needs to talk with some interested parties. This discussion was tabled until the next council meeting.

A list of options for proposed museum ideas was presented at the meeting. The council discussed these options and Denny Lyle and Melinda Eakins gave their input on which ones they felt the donor would be opposed to. The council asked the museum committee members that were present about their feelings if their organization was established a nonprofit. They were not opposed to the idea but would need more information. Motion was made by Davis to propose the idea of establishing a nonprofit organization, historical society, with the current museum committee members to own and run the museum, with the nonprofit leasing the land from the city where the museum would be built; Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. Denny Lyle and Melinda Eakins will present this idea to the donor and invite her to the next council meeting to discuss it in more depth if she is open to it.

The council discussed the bonding wording in the vendor ordinance. They also asked that proper wording be put in to prohibit the use of city streets and that the property owner may only set up on their property unless written permission is received from the abutting property owner. Food trucks or other similar vendors set up with the serving window facing the sidewalk to prohibit any safety hazards in the street. The revised draft will be discussed at the next council meeting.

Approval of Ordinance 254: An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances by Creating a Museum Board of Trustees, was tabled until the next council meeting.

Osweiler did the first reading of Ordinance 255: An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Pertaining to the Keota Municipal Cemetery. Motion was made by Davis to waive the second and third reading, Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. The ordinance will vote upon this at the next council meeting.

Motion was made by Hill to approve Resolution 2016-14: Authorizing the City Clerk/Employee to Destroy Certain Records in Accordance with Section 372.13(5) of Iowa Code, Westendorf seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: "Ayes"- Hill, Davis, Conrad, Westendorf & Greiner; "Nays"-None. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Westendorf to approve the tax levy to 206 South Ellis Street, Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve KOCOK-042900 tax levy, Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

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

Oswailer was asked to send a tree trimming letter to the owner of the tree that is in violation of the street height by the cemetery. Mayor Cansler ask that East Lafayette Avenue be closed from 108 East Lafayette to the corner of East Lafayette and South Davis the evening July 8th for a private party. The council agreed to this request.

Motion was made by Hill seconded by Westendorf to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 P.M. The next regular scheduled council meeting will be on July 18, 2016, in city hall at 7 p.m.

MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK NIKI OSWEILER