

**January 3, 2018**

The Keota City Council met on January 3, 2018, in the city hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Anthony Cansler.

Council Members answering roll call were Greiner, K. Conrad, Bender, and Hill. Westendorf was absent. City Employees present were Hammes, Slaubaugh, and D. Conrad. Also in attendance was Dan Flynn, Leonard “Danny” Van Patten, and Amie Van Patten – *The Keota Eagle*.

Motion was made by Greiner to approve the agenda. Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

The Public Hearing for the Budget Amendment was opened by Mayor Cansler. There were no verbal or written comments in regards to the amended budget. Conrad motion to end the Public Hearing. Greiner seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote. Motion was made by Hill to approve the Budget Amendments. Conrad seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Greiner, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Absent: Westendorf. The motion passed with a majority vote.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve the following Mayoral Appointments for 2018. Motion was seconded by Hill. Motion passed with a majority vote. Mayor: Anthony Cansler; Pro-Tem: Keith Conrad; Council: Keith Conrad, Matt Greiner, Mike Bender, Scott Westendorf, Rod Hill; Employees: Doug Conrad - Chief of Police, Kevin Slaubaugh - Public Works Director/Water License, Craig Frederick - Sewer & Water License, Tomisha Hammes - Clerk. Library: Toni Greiner - Library Director, Nancy Byers - Assistant Librarian, Norma Richardson - Assistant Librarian. Library Board: Nick Mahan – President, Rachel Klein - Vice President, Sandra Stephens – Secretary, Candy Greiner - Treasurer; Phyllis Wright, Karen Dickinson, Ann Greiner, Connie Vincent, Linda Allaman. Museum Board: Karen Sypherd – President, Wanda Baumert - Vice President, Gail Hendericks – Treasurer, Dan Flynn, Jill Baetsle, Larry Sanders, Marilyn Luers. City Attorney: Scott Flynn and Robert Michael; Emergency Management Committee: Doug Conrad and Keith Conrad – Alternate; Building Official/Zoning Administrator: Keith Conrad; County Assessor Council: Anthony Cansler; 911 Board: Kevin Miller and Jared Striegel Library Liaison: Matt Greiner; Museum Liaison: Matt Greiner; Fire Department Liaison: Rod Hill; Community Development Committee: Scott Westendorf; KCCEF Representative: Mike Bender; Official Depository: Libertyville Savings Bank; Depository Limits: One Million Dollars; Official Newspapers: *The Keota Eagle & The Washington Evening Journal*.

Motion was made by Hill to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Citizens Comments: There were no comments.

Slaubaugh presented the Public Works Report. The City is down to 20% of salt – no salt has been purchased yet this season. There was a large water main break on the corner of Iowa Street and Washington Avenue on Monday, January 1, 2018. It took most of the day to fix. There was a water leak at a business on the corner on Green Street and Broadway Avenue on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 in the early morning. Motion was made by Greiner to approve the Public Works Report. Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Officer Conrad presented the Police Report. There were 27 complaints and/or service calls. The following is a list of the complaints received: two assaults, four theft, one sex offense, four controlled substance, one juvenile, one traffic accident, six assist and service, one attempt to locate, two dog/cat/misc. animal, one misc. complaint, two traffic violations, one domestic abuse, one harassment. In the last month, Officer Conrad said he tried to use up some of his vacation time. In November and December, he received an average of 12 calls per day. Most calls

recently have been sex crimes and drug situations. There have been a high number of burglaries this past year. Updates on requested from previous meeting: The truck has been moved from front of the property and property has been cleaned up on Broadway Avenue; the campers have been removed from the S. Iowa Street property. Officer Conrad has not seen the pit bull again that the council had been made aware of. He will check back with the owner on the January 18 deadline to make sure the dog has been removed from the city limits; the property owners on the north end of Davis Street have been working on cleaning up their property, but incurred some unforeseen setbacks. Officer Conrad will check back in with the property owner after a short period of time. Motion was made by Conrad to approve the Police Report. Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Blair Gretter, Moxie Solar, was unable to attend the meeting. Motion was made by Hill to table the Blair Gretter, Moxie Solar, presentation. Greiner seconded the motion. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Keith Conrad talked with Slaubaugh and John Ollinger about changing the street lights from Davis Street to Green Street on Broadway Avenue to LED Lights. Since the city does not own, but instead leases the street lights, it was deemed not necessary to look into any further.

The City received only one bid for the 2018 Cemetery Mowing. The bid was opened was opened by Mayor Cansler. Motion was made by Hill to accept the 2018 Mowing bid received by Jeff Garman. Conrad seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Absent: Westendorf; Abstained – Greiner. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Motion was made by Greiner to approve Resolution 2018-1: Community Catalyst Building Remediation Program for Program Candidate Scott Flynn/Scott Flynn’s building. Conrad seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Greiner, Conrad, Bender, Hill; Nays – None; Absent: Westendorf. The motion passed with a majority vote.

Motion was made by Greiner to table the Multi-Jurisdiction Resolution. Hill seconded the motion. Motion carried with a majority vote. The City Clerk will research this item more and report back to the Council.

Heather Brown was not present at the meeting.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve the payment of bills. Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Clerks/Council/Mayor Comments: There were no comments.

Motion was made by Hill to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Greiner seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

The next Keota City Council Meeting will take place on Monday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m. The Council will review the revenues for the 2018-2019 City Budget.

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MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK TOMISHA HAMMES