

January 15, 2018

The Keota City Council met on January 15, 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 K. Conrad, Bender, Hill, and Westendorf. Greiner arrived at 7:26 p.m. City Employees present were Hammes and D. Conrad. Slaubaugh was absent. Also in attendance were Dan Flynn and Amie Van Patten, *The Keota Eagle*.

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

The Public Hearing for the Keota Municipal Code Book was opened by Mayor Cansler. There were no verbal or written comments in regards to the 2017 Keota Municipal Code. Westendorf motion to end the Public Hearing. Conrad seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. The 1st Reading of Ordinance 261: Adopting the 2017 Keota Municipal Code was read by Hammes.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Bender seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Citizens Comments: There were no comments.

Slaubaugh was not present for the meeting. Hammes reported that Slaubaugh is working on the Public Works budget. Road salt has been ordered and will arrive on Thursday, January 18. Motion was made by Conrad to table the Public Works report. Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Officer Conrad presented the Police Report. There were twenty-one service calls/complaints. One theft, two sex offenses, one controlled substance, one family and children, one disorderly conduct, one other criminal violation, one suspicion, two traffic accidents, four assist and serve, one attempt to locate, one misc. investigation, one misc. complaint, two dog/cat/misc. animal, one parking, and one domestic abuse. Conrad reported that it has been very busy lately. He is keeping track of daily phone calls/texts on his timesheets. He has been working with the property owners at 508 N. Davis Street. He will hand deliver the packet of information that was sent certified mail to the property owners since they are not currently at their property. That way the information can be explained to them. Motion was made by Bender to approve the Police Report. Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Blair Gretter, Moxie Solar, was unable to attend.

Motion was made by Conrad to allow the city clerk to contact Speer Financial to discuss the sewer rate increase. Bender seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve Pay Application #8 to Leander Construction. Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve Resolution 2018-2: Providing Financial Support to Area 15 Regional Planning. Hill seconded the motion, Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Conrad, Bender, Hill, Westendorf, Greiner; Nays – None; Absent: None. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Council discussed hiring a building inspector/rental inspector. Alvin Miller, Hawkeye Home Inspections, was recently used for an immediate inspection for the city. The council discussed a few options and will contact

those options to see if they do rental inspections for cities. Once that information is gathered, the council will decide how to proceed.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve the payment of bills. Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Conrad to approve the December Financials. Hill seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Clerks/Council/Mayor Comments: The State Auditor will be in Keota on Monday, January 29 to Wednesday, January 31 to do the annual exam. Melinda Eakins had asked the city clerk when the city would make the donation to the ball association projects that the council had approved. The council decided once work begins on the project, then the donation will be sent. Westendorf asked if the attorney Mayor Cansler contacted in regards to the cell phone situation back in November had gotten back to him. Cansler said yes, a letter was sent by the attorney, and put into Officer Conrad's personnel file. Hill will be attending the Keota Fire Department's Annual Meeting on January 17.

Motion was made by Greiner to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Westendorf seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The next Keota City Council Meeting will take place on Monday, January 22 at 6:30 p.m. when the Council reviews the Expenditures for the 2018-2019 Budget.

MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK TOMISHA HAMMES