The Keota City Council met on November 16, 2020, 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: Mike Bender, Keith Conrad, Rod Hill, Matt Greiner, and Heath McDonald. City employee present was Tomisha Hammes. Also in attendance was Kayla Neff, Jeannie Striegel, Misty Tyree, and Michael Carl.

Discussion was held on the ways to help grow the Keota QRS. Michael Carl stated that there is no code in the State of Iowa that requires a community to have an EMS. There have been a few people showing interest in wanting to join more recently. The Keota QRS is not currently a 501(c)(3), but they have discussed looking into one. They have discussed reimbursing potential candidates the cost of their classes if they pass their class and commit to two years with the Keota QRS. The candidates have to live within their responding district to join Keota QRS.

The Keota QRS and Keota Fire Department are two separate entities. The qualifications are not the same for both organizations. Discussion was held on the possibility combining the organizations. The pros and cons were discussed and reasons for and against it according to qualifications.

Revenues are made by fundraisers consisting of the annual Keota QRS Breakfast and memorials that have been donated. Expenses are typically just maintenance, insurance, and a few different items that need replaced each year. The rig and a place to store the rig are priority for the Keota QRS.

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to adjourn the work session at 7:01 p.m. Councilman Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

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Council members answering roll call were: Mike Bender, Keith Conrad, Rod Hill, Matt Greiner, and Heath McDonald. City Employees present were Kevin Slaubaugh and Tomisha Hammes. Also in attendance was Rich Klein, Karen Sypherd, Dan Flynn, and Jeri Klein.

Motion was made by Councilman Conrad to approve the consent agenda including minutes from the November 2, 2020 meeting, payment of bills, and October month end financials. Councilman Greiner seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

	CITY OF KEOTA			
	NOVEMBER 16, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING			
	FOR PERIOD NOVEMBER 3 - NOVEMBER 16, 2020			
PAYEE	AMOUNT	COMMENT		
ALTENHOFEN, CHERYL	\$15.77	Payroll		
CONRAD, DOUGLAS L.	\$1,853.22	Payroll		
GREINER, ASHLEY	\$27.84	Payroll		
GREINER, TONIA	\$825.59	Payroll		
HAMMES, TOMISHA	\$1,330.46	Payroll		
MILLER, KEVIN	\$1,207.77	Payroll		
SLAUBAUGH, KEVIN L.	\$1,496.86	Payroll		
EFTPS	\$1,985.54	Employee Withholdings		
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	\$4,392.00	3rd Quarter Sales Tax		
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	\$4,215.00	3rd Quarter WET Tax		
QUILL	\$113.97	City Hall - Hand Sanitizer Stations/Refills		

RIVER PRODUCTS COMPANY INC	\$321.47	Water - Water Main Break Repair
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION	\$275.00	Water - Annual Dues
US CELLULAR	\$225.54	All Dept. Cell Phones
COUNTY LINE MART	\$70.97	Police - Veh O & M
TREMMEL BACKHOE SERVICE	\$625.00	Water - Water Main Break Repair
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING	\$433.15	All Dept. Publications
KEOTA TRANSMISSION & REPAIR	\$502.20	Water - Veh O & M - Water Pump/Belt/Coolant
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED	\$500.03	Water - Hypchloride
MALLEY HARDWARE	\$133.76	All Dept. Supplies
VERIZON	\$40.01	Police - Hot Spot
MISC. ON MAIN	\$29.99	Water - Cell Phone Charger
REDLINGER REPAIR	\$150.00	All Dept. Veh O & M - Skidloader Blade
HENDERSON PLUMBING	\$305.47	Water/Sewer/Police - New Toliet in City Shop/Police Station
ABE RODRIGUEZ	\$100.00	Deposit Refund for One Year Non-Delinquent Payments
MIRIAM AMIGON	\$100.00	Deposit Refund for One Year Non-Delinquent Payments
ASHLEY CORY	\$100.00	Deposit Refund for One Year Non-Delinquent Payments
MICHAEL CARL	\$100.00	Deposit Refund for One Year Non-Delinquent Payments
IOWA DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE & LAND	\$25.00	Parks - Pesticide Application Renewal Fee
FARMERS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	\$1,197.71	All Dept. Veh O & M - Gas/New Tires for Water Truck
NORTHWAY CORP	\$2,423.27	Water - High Service Pump #2 Repair
UNITED STATES POST OFFICE	\$130.55	Water/Sewer - Water Bills
JEFFREY GARMAN	\$1,875.00	Cemetery - Mowing Contract
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY	\$158.05	Water - Repair Clamp
WINDSTREAM	\$237.84	All Dept. Phone/Fax

October 2020 Financials

TOTAL \$27,508.26

	BEGINNING			
FUND	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	END BALANCE
LIBRARY CD 1	\$39,350.23			\$39,350.23
LIBRARY CD 2	\$30,907.78			\$30,907.78
SEWER CD	\$145,156.41	\$199.04		\$145,355.45
SEWER VEH CD	\$20,604.66			\$20,604.66
WATER CD	\$69,525.34			\$69,525.34
WATER VEH CD	\$422.89			\$422.89
DARE	\$977.62			\$977.62
POLICE FORFEITURE	\$572.49			\$572.49
GEN FD INV	\$1,449.21	\$0.12		\$1,449.33
GEN FD LIBR INV	\$4,979.97	\$0.42		\$4,980.39
LIB BUILDING	\$1,305.00	\$0.11		\$1,305.11
LIB MEMORIALS	\$305.95			\$305.95
PERPETUAL CARE FUND	\$7,513.33	\$0.64		\$7,513.97
POLICE VEHICLE INV	\$27,150.90	\$3.46		\$27,154.36
PARK & CEM VEH	\$606.25	\$0.05		\$606.30
CITY HALL BLDG RPR	\$19,213.09	\$1.63		\$19,214.72
CIVIL DEFENSE FU	\$3,174.35	\$0.27		\$3,174.62
KEOTA DAYCARE	\$1,189.94	\$0.10		\$1,190.04
WILSON MEMORIAL LIB	\$17,570.44	\$1.49		\$17,571.93
T&A METER INV	\$23,667.18	\$2.01		\$23,669.19
SIDEWALK SAVINGS	\$14,523.94			\$14,523.94
WTR VEH SAVINGS	\$29,306.16			\$29,306.16
WTR TWR MAIN SAVINGS	\$9,644.19			\$9,644.19

SEWER VEH SAVINGS SNOW EQUIPMENT	\$9,120.11			\$9,120.11
SAVINGS	\$5,071.50			\$5,071.50
CHECKING	\$437,661.21	\$265,319.88	\$65,158.96	\$637,822.13
GENERAL	. ,	\$86,991.60	\$75,480.66	. ,
GENERAL - LOCAL				
OPTION		\$7,395.35		
DARE				
ROAD USE		\$8,726.00	\$2,942.97	
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		\$109,927.33	\$7,943.61	
LIBRARY		\$243.66	\$3,594.68	
LIBRARY MUSEUM			\$2,539.75	
WATER		\$28,270.79	\$15,762.36	
CP. WTR. TRTMNT. PLANT				
CP. WTR. TOWER				
CP. WTR. MAIN DAVIS ST				
CP. WTR MAIN				
BROAD/DAVIS				
UTILITY DEPOSITS		\$600.00	\$233.81	
SEWER		\$23,120.97	\$13,415.33	
SEWER EXT-BROADWAY				
SEWER PLANT UPGRADE				
	TOTAL			\$1,121,340.40

## Department Reports:

-Public Works Department – The belt did not work to spread the mulch on the Sager cell, so they used B & L Concrete's skid loader to spread the mulch. Kevin Miller is going on vacation at the end of November - December. Andy Romoser will start in January 2021 on the remodel of the shop for the new police department offices. Work on getting water service hooked up for Mulberry Lane at 201 S. Davis Street for the new house build. Alliant Energy will be in town soon to cut the trees out of the powerlines on 330<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Keokuk County will be called to request them to cut back the evergreen trees and then the public works department will try to get in and cut out the trees.

-Police Department – A written report was submitted. Reporting period of October 29 through November 14, 2020, there were six (6) service calls/complaints and one (1) citation issued. Service Calls/Complaints: one family and children, one trespass, one attempt to locate, one dog/cat/misc. animal, two harassment. Citation: one (1) arrest warrant driving while barred.

-Wilson Memorial Library – The next library board meeting will take place on Monday, November 23, 2020 starting at 6:00 p.m.

-Keota Historical Museum – Planning on being open on Saturday, December 5, 2020 for an Open House.

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to approve Resolution 2020-41: Appointing the Keota Community Club as organizer of the City of Keota's Sesquicentennial Celebration in 2023. Councilman Conrad seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes – Bender, Conrad, Hill, Greiner, McDonald, Nays - None; Absent - None; Abstain – None.

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to approve the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 Annual Finance Report. Councilman Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Gabe Klooster from Ivenergy was called for a phone conference, but no response, so no discussion was held on the wind turbines.

Clerk/Council/Mayor Comments: The list of extra meetings for the Council members were reviewed for approved meetings to be paid and submitted to the clerk for payment at the next meeting. There have been several complaints about Cox Sanitation pick-ups. They aren't picking up some of the trash bags, leaving a mess behind, and/or leaving the recycle containers with items still in them. The Council requested the clerk send a letter to Cox Sanitation requesting them attend a meeting to discuss the issues. The Council discussed parking solutions for events happening on Broadway Avenue. Council members will need to talk to property owners on what would work best for their businesses and for the City's for traffic control. Letters are welcomed to the City Council, but they would like the public to know that they will not acknowledge letters that are not signed by the person submitting the letter. Concerns over kids walking from the school to the apartment building by the cemetery after school could be a safety hazard for those kids walking.

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. Motion passed with a vote. The City Council will next meet on Monday, December 7, 2020, starting at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK TOMISHA HAMMES

\*These are not official minutes. These minutes will be approved at the next council meeting.\*