

December 20, 2022

The Keota City Council met on December 20, 2022 at Keota City Hall. The regular meeting was call to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Anthony Cansler.

Council members answering roll call were Keith Conrad, Heath McDonald, Mike Bender, Matt Greiner and Danielle Imhoff. City employees present were Brian Dickerson, Micah Harmsen and Dawn Kurth-Minard. Also in attendance were Dan Flynn, Karen Sypherd, Casey James (News Review), Cindy Detweiler, Ron Northup, Nick Mahan, Nick Beinhart, Jane Westendorf, Lori Hammes and Chad McCleary.

Motion was made by Councilman Conrad to approve the consent agenda including minutes from the December 5, 2022, meeting and bills for payment. Councilman Bender seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
ALTENHOFEN, CHERYL	\$78.27	PAYROLL
CONRAD, DOUGLAS	\$1,997.87	PAYROLL
DICKERSON, PAUL	\$1,516.56	PAYROLL
GREINER, ASHLEY	\$34.79	PAYROLL
GREINER, TONIA	\$1,084.43	PAYROLL
HARMSEN, MICAH	\$1,400.30	PAYROLL
KURTH-MINARD, DAWN	\$778.99	PAYROLL
SLAUBAUGH, KEVIN	\$1,650.66	PAYROLL
ALL AMERICAN PEST CONTROL	\$70.00	PEST CONTROL-CITY HALL
BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD	\$2,218.44	HEALTH INSURANCE
COUNTY LINE MART	\$164.02	FUEL-POLICE/WATER VEHICLE
COX SANITATION	\$2,210.55	TRASH COLLECTION
FARMERS CO-OP ASSN.	\$1,489.03	VEHICLE REPAIR/FUEL SHOP SUPPLIES/ANIMAL
H&M FARM HOME SUPPLY	\$123.96	CONTROL
INFOMAX OFFICE SYSTEMS	\$147.36	COPIER LIBRARY
ION ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS	\$3,625.00	LABS/PERMITS
KEVIN SALES AND SERVICES	\$36.00	SALT/SNOW REMOVAL
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP	\$202.40	PUBLISH AFR
PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	\$607.21	MINUTES
PESTICIDE BUREAU-IDALS	\$15.00	LICENSE RENEWAL
QUILL	\$254.59	OFFICE SUPPLIES
SPECTRA BUILD	\$98,468.55	POOL
US CELLULAR	\$322.00	CELL PHONES
WINDSTREAM	\$143.55	LIBRARY PHONE

TOTAL \$118,639.53

#### Department Reports:

-Public Works Department – Micah reported that the city is in good shape and prepared for snow removal. Tremmel Backhoe was in town a few weeks ago and worked several storm drains. He stated that the shelving in the basement was taken down and some moved to the library and some was sold to Tiffany Greiner. He would like to urge citizens to stop dumping trash at the compost pile or there will be fines issued and if it continues the gate will be locked. He will continue to work on the budget for the upcoming year. There are cedar trees at the cemetery that are in bad shape and need to be taken down. This will be put out for bid at a later date. Chad McCleary spoke in regard to placing a percolation field to infiltrate at least the backwash water to help drop the chloride level, but it will be further investigated and there will be further discussion on this in the future.

-Police Department –No report submitted

-Wilson Memorial Library – Tonia had their first ever “Movie Day” in the new theater room, the movie “The Grinch” was shown and reported a great turnout. They had candy, popcorn, bottled water. She wanted to thank Micah and Kevin for installing the shelving and she will be able to organize a lot of things on those. The library will be closed on December 26, 2022 and January 2, 2023 for the holidays. The next meeting December 27, 2022.

-Keota Historical Museum –Karen Sypherd would like to thank Micah and Kevin for helping move the shelving. The next museum meeting will be held December 21, 2022 weather permitting.

Alex Sales from Johnson County Refuse spoke about proposing their services versus the current garbage and recycle service the City has. They offer garbage and recycle offering all the way up to recycle #6. They have heavy duty bins, one for each, garbage and recycle. Councilwoman stated she likes the idea of 2 bins, 1 for garbage and 1 for recycle. Councilman Bender stated that he likes that the bins are heavy and don't blow over easily and keep animals out. Council asked Mr. Sales to put together more information and forward to the City Clerk.

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to approve Resolution 2022-50 to Keota Unlimited. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. Roll Call vote - Ayes from Conrad, Bender, Imhoff, Greiner and McDonald. Nays –none. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to approve Resolution 2022-51 to approve the bridge loan on behalf of the City of Keota. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. Roll call vote –Ayes – Conrad, Bender, Imhoff, Greiner and McDonald. Nays – none. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to approve Resolution 2022-52 Approval of Public Restroom/Handicap accessible at the Keota Pool and Aquatics Center. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. Roll call vote – Ayes –Conrad, Bender, Imhoff, Greiner and McDonald. Nays – none. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Councilman Conrad to approve Resolution 2022-53 letter to the Keota Pool and Aquatics Center approving the City of Keota to be responsible for the maintenance of the swimming pool. Councilman Bender seconded the motion. Roll call vote – Ayes – Conrad, Bender, Imhoff, Greiner and McDonald. Nays – none. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Discussion was held to approve the materials price increase from L.L. Pelling for street repair, this will be voted on at the next meeting.

Discussion on The Sigourney News/Review to be the exclusive paper for Keota. This will be appointed at the next meeting.

Discussion on the signature for the 15 year warranty on the roof of City Hall. This was signed by Mayor Anthony Cansler.

Discussion was held on the date for the next City Council meeting being held January 3, 2023 due to January 2 being a holiday. This was denied, the meeting will be held January 2, 2023.

Discussion was held about Andy and Erin McGuire wanting to beautify the small ball diamond. Councilwoman Imhoff is going to reach out to them.

Citizen Comments: Casey James asked if we knew approximately how many tons we would use per year for street repair. Mayor Cansler replied, that information was not known off hand. Micah stated that this was not a bid, it is just showing a price increase over last year.

Nick Mahan asked if there was any future projects in mind or anything that the City is looking at for around town. Per the Mayor, the main thing is seeing the pool through and there are a couple of things being discussed. They would like to pursue the Daycare Committee to see where that is going, but not get too many things going at once. Nick stated that he thinks there is plenty of time to pursue other things. Councilman Conrad stated that there are things in the “pipeline” that cannot be discussed publicly yet. Per Councilman Bender stated there are ideas that aren’t being forgotten.

Clerk/Council/Mayor Comments:

Mayor: Mayor Cansler stated with the predicted weather it is going to be challenging for Micah and Kevin, but is confident that the job will get done. He thanked the City Council for all their hard work this past year. He also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Clerk: No comment

Council: Councilman Bender thanked Kevin and Micah for the work they did at the library and museum.

Councilwoman Imhoff stated that the fence next to the fire station seems to be progressing. It looks very good and she is happy with that. She also thanked Micah and Kevin for helping with the shelves, Tonia very much appreciated that.

Councilman Greiner asked that people be patient with the snow removal, Kevin and Micah will get it removed as soon as possible. They will work diligently but also want to ensure the safety of the city employees. He also wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

Motion was made by Councilman Bender to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote. The City Council will meet again on January 2, 2023.

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MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK BRIAN DICKERSON

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