

Minutes

KEOTA CITY COUNCIL

225 E. BROADWAY AVE.

June 3rd, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Cansler.

Roll call: Mayor Cansler, Councilmen Conrad, McDonald, Bender, Greiner and Burroughs were present. City employees present were Horras, Harmsen and Librarian Greiner. Public present Karen Sypherd, Janie Westendorf and Casey Jarmes from Sigourney New-Review.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made to amend the current agenda to add a Resolution and two new items, made by Conrad, 2nd by Burroughs, with all in favor. Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Conrad, including Agenda, previous meeting minutes from May 20th Council Meeting - Budget review and payment of Bills. Bender 2nd the motion and all were in favor.

Bills Paid May 20th thru June 3rd, 2024

Checks		Payroll:	
Alliant Energy	\$5745.02	Barco Products	\$1270.13
US First	\$105.78	FNBO	\$6082.33
Quill	\$238.66	<u>Yotty's</u> Ice Cream	\$432.00
Carrico Aquatic	\$814.00	Alycia Horras	\$128.00
H&M Farm	\$6.49	Alycia Horras	\$176.88
Tom Woltering	\$1000.00	Banyon	\$2689.00
IA One Call	\$21.60	Tremmel Backhoe	\$1200.00
Menards	\$524.40	Ion	\$3936.00
GFC Leasing	\$100.91		
		Cheryl L Altenhofen	33.13
		Ashley R Greiner	37.86
		Tonia Greiner	1,093.79
		Micah Harmsen	1,857.79
		Kevin L Slaubaugh	1,783.79
		Alycia A Horras	1,915.68
			6,722.04

Public Forum: None

Department Reports:

Public Works –Harmsen reported lots going on at the pool but we are open. Hope to have the missing probe in place yet early this week so splash can fire up the heater. Lots of routine maintenance but the lifeguards have caught on fast and have been a big help on the day-to-day operation. We did have Tremmel in town last week and sunk a new storm sewer intake west of the pool site so that does not hold water now. We also had him pull a couple stumps and bushes on the property west of pool to prep that for the parking lot. I had Trent Greiner come look on Friday to see if that tree could be trimmed up in the parking lot. He thinks it needs removed. When he comes to remove it, we plan to have him trim up the ones to the west so we can have some shade in the parking lot, but still have a safe place to park. We hope to start hauling rock down there once the matting is laid down. We also plan on starting the water main project on Carpenter street next week. We will block those 2 blocks down only to home owners while we are putting the new main and services in. The new mower came in and is in use. Dump site continues to be busy per this time of year. Lots of spraying, mowing and weed eating going on.

Library –The summer reading program started this week. Keokuk County extension will be here for a presentation, planters will be an activity and Dr Bectel will be here again as well.

Museum- Meeting next Wednesday and preparation for the Pie Baking contest is going on.

Clerk – Horras shared information on the new aquatic center since it's opening on May 25th. We currently have over 71 season passes sold, there are over 80 kids signed up for swim lessons and more being added each day, there is a free swim scheduled for June 13th, Water Aerobics has been a hit and there were 24 participants between the 2 sessions each day, we currently have 9 party/pool rentals booked and with the success that we have had within our first week and a half, we will have taken in 85% of our projected revenue with the rental fees and remaining swim lesson balances collected! This has been an enormous success and seamless opening. KCII has contacted me for interviews and there is currently an interview about the new aquatic center and one about our upcoming fun days weekend running. All of the outdoor movie theater equipment has arrived and I will begin working on a schedule for those activities following fun days. Things are wrapping up for our closing on the Kerr property.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

Resolution 2024-37 Approval of Cemetery Plots for Pat Huber – Motion to approve by Burroughs, 2nd by Bender and all in favor.

Resolution 2024-38 Approval of Building Permit for Teri & Rex Willmore - Motion to approve by Conrad, 2nd by and all in favor.

Resolution 2024-39 Approval of Waterhouse bid for house removal – Motion to approve by Bender, 2nd by McDonald and all in favor.

New Business:

Discussion/Introduction: Adam

Discussion/Possible Action: Fun Days Security updates – Motion to approve hiring Keokuk County and leaving the hours assigned up to the safety committee made by Burroughs, 2nd by McDonald and all in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action: Insurance Proposal for FY25 - Motion to approve by Bender, 2nd by Greiner and all in favor.

Discussion/Approval: Cleaning at City Hall approval – Motion to approve up to \$2000.00 in the budget for cleaning/janitorial and to hire Ashley Greiner for this position made by Bender, 2nd by Burroughs and all were in favor.

Mayor Comments: Mayor Cansler shared that he was looking further into requirements for our PD position and working with the safety committee on next steps. We are looking to advertise again for part time police patrol and looking to include a set pay per hour as well. Thank you to the pool committee, Alycia, Micah and everyone involved in the aquatic center success and seamless opening.

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn meeting by Conrad, 2nd Greiner, all were in favor. Time 7:50pm.

Next regular meeting, June 17th, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Attest:

Mayor Anthony Cansler

City Administrator Alycia A Horras