

### Ely City Council Proceedings

The City Council Meeting met in regular session on November 16, 2020 at and in person at City Hall, 1570 Rowley St. Ely, IA 52227, due to the Covid-19 Health Crisis online over ZOOM Platform and Facebook. Officials present on ZOOM were Mayor Eldy Miller, by roll call Council Members Ben Symonds, Judy Wery, Dan Whitaker, Kay Hale and William Tuthill. Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following claims include expenses for the City, Park Board and Library:

ADVANCED BUSINESS SYSTEMS, Copies	165.63
ADVANTAGE ACH, FSA	131.68
AIRGAS USA, LLC, Cylinder Rental Vehicle	54.10
ALL STATE STEEL LLC, 40 Pipes for Scoreboard	770.00
BAKER & TAYLOR, Books	652.99
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC, Copier Lease	109.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE, Credit Card Purchase	-462.99
CENTURION TECHNOLOGIES, Fire Wall Security	50.00
COLONIAL LIFE INSURANCE, Accidental Ins	48.87
CARDMEMBER SERVICES – LIB Credit Card Purchase	205.86
EASTERN IOWA EXCAVATING, Knoll Ct & North Dr CIP	257,765.54
EFTPS, FED/FICA TAX	5,184.94
GAZETTE COMMUNICATIONS, INC, Legal Publication	270.80
GWorks, Annual License Fee	4,321.89
HAWKINS, INC., PW Chemical Supply	1,133.18
HIBON INC., Blower Filters	627.00
IOWA DEPT OF AGRICULTURE, Pesticide Certification Renewal	75.00
IA MUNICIPALITIES WORKERS COMP, Comp Prem #5 20-21	610.00
INNOVATIVE SIGNS, Trail Add on Signs	125.00
INTERACTIVE SCIENCES, INC, Wowbrary Newsletter	500.00
IOWA EXPRESS DELIVERY, Sewer Sample Delivery	120.00
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, Unemployment Pmt. Fee	183.55
JOYCE BARBER, Hoosier Creek Sewer Easement	502.63
LINN COUNTY TREASURER, March Prop Tax 1600 Rowley St	1,802.00
NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING, City Hall Maintenance	19.50
OFFICE EXPRESS, Office Supply	67.77
READWITHRUTH, Books	92.77
LINN COUNTY REC, Electric Service	299.05
SAM'S CLUB/S/SYNCHRONY BK, Fall Fest Food	183.91
SCHIMBERG CO, BV Main Break Supplies	1,661.06
SOUTH SLOPE, Phone Internet	799.33
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY, Lab Testing	706.00
STEVENS EROSION CONTROL, INC, City Park Erosion Control	271.00
STORM STEEL, Misc. Steel for Signs	12.13
TRACTOR SUPPLY CO, Supplies Parts Equip	45.42
WM OF CEDAR RAPIDS-IOWA CITY, Refuse Services	13,089.82
WESTECH, Drive Units for Wheels 3 & 4	28,357.31
Accounts Payable Total	<b>\$320,551.74</b>

**Agenda** Before motion made councilman Whitaker asked for item E.3 Downtown Neighborhood Design Project to be moved because he doesn't feel he has had enough time to review the item. Thompson asked that we go ahead and discuss, and do not have to vote on it tonight but discussion very important due to time constraint. Motion made by Symonds to approve agenda, 2nd by Tuthill. By roll call Symonds, Hale, Whitaker, Wery Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion carried.

**Consent Agenda** Minutes of 11/02/2020; Bills Payable November, Resolution Approving Interfund Transfer, Park Board October Minutes and TIF Report. Motion made by Tuthill to approve consent agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wery. By roll call Symonds, Hale, Whitaker, Wery Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion carried.

**Department Reports** City Administrator Adam Thompson wanted to let council and public know how proud he is of the staff is committed to their work and community.

No Sheriff Report, it is presented at the first meeting of the month

**Community Comments/Request** – None

## **Business**

**First Reading of Ordinance 287 Adopting Building Codes** Presented for first reading amending chapter 155 of the Code of Ordinances with the purpose of this Ordinance is adopt the building code from Linn County. Per recommendation by City Attorney Pat O'Connell he will forward draft will be forwarded to Thompson and first reading tabled to Special Meeting November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Motion to table first reading by Hale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Symonds. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion passed.

**Resolution 2020-09.040 to set Public Hearing regarding Axeland Acres Annexation** for next meeting on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 pm. Motion by Hale 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wery. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion passed.

**Resolution 2020-11.xxx Awarding Downtown Neighborhood Area Infrastructure Design for MSA to handle project.** Motion by Symonds to postpone the decision until Special Meeting to be held Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tuthill. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill 5 Ayes motion passed.

**Resolution 2020-11.049 accepting completed work for Knoll and North Dr Reconstruction Project and Authorizing Final Payment.** Total \$263,658.70 with change order increase of \$7,673.45 for final contract cost of \$271,332.15. Motion by Wery 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tuthill. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion passed.

**Resolution approving TIF Certification** for the Downtown Neighborhood Design Project that conforms with the Ely Urban Renewal Plan for eligible project reimbursements from tax increment revenue. In compliance with the state statute and certified to the County Auditor before December 1st.

Motion made by Hale to postpone until Special Meeting Monday, November 23, 2020, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Symonds.

By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion passed.

**Request to approve pay application #1 for Eastern Iowa Excavation for the Knoll and North Dr reconstruction project.** Final amount due at this time \$271,332.15 with current amount due of \$257,765.54, leaving a retainage balance of \$13,566.61 to be paid after 30 days and after verification on lean waivers. Motion by Whitaker 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hale. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion passed.

**Request to approve Tree Removal Bid** totaling \$9,900.00 from Southern Iowa Tree Service for Vavra Park. Motion by Whitaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Symonds. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill 5 Ayes motion passed.

**Request to approve Downtown Business Reserved Parking for Pickup Plan.** Two parking spaces for Food and beverage businesses and 1 space for retail. Further discussion for this to be a temporary through March 2021 and will look into other possible options as a long-term downtown parking issue. Motion by Hale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Symonds. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion passed.

**Request to approve Restricted Access to City Facilities and Remote Working for City of Ely Employees.** Discussion to close City Hall beginning Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> by appointment if needed. City Administrator and Clerk will only ones with access t the server. Motion by Symonds, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Whitaker. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill All Ayes-5 motion passed.

With no further business being evident, council adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm. Motion by Hale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wery. 5-Ayes.

Note: Next meeting Special Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Adopting Building Codes and Resolution to Award Downtown Neighborhood Area Infrastructure Design Project.