

Ely City Council Proceeding

The City Council Meeting met in person, online over ZOOM Platform, and Facebook on October 4th, 2021, as allowed by Section 21.8 of Iowa Code. Officials present at City Hall in person were Mayor Eldy Miller; Council Members William Tuthill, Judy Wery, Ben Symonds, Dan Whitaker, and Kay Hale. Adam Thompson was present for meeting through ZOOM. Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm by roll call/Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Motion by Symonds to approve agenda, 2nd by Hale. By roll call Tuthill, Hale, Whitaker, Wery and Symonds. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

Consent Agenda Minutes from September 20th, 2021, Meeting Council Meeting; Bills Payables totaling \$89,270.11. American Legion Liquor License and Cleppe's 66 Tobacco Sales License. Motion made by Wery to approve agenda, 2nd by Tuthill. By roll call Tuthill, Hale, Whitaker, Wery and Symonds. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

City Department Reports: Adam Thompson gave updates on removing moss from pond in Southbrook, and further discussion with a long-range option to combat issue; LL Pelling State Street shoulder project beginning 10/06/21; Rowley Street Parking Lot beginning 10/06/21. Callie/Parks and Rec thanked all involved with a successful Ely Fall Fest. Callie thanked Riley Knopf/intern for all her help and contribution this summer. She also thanked Jaymeson Westphal for her help and contribution throughout the summer. Sarah Sellon, Library Director gave update of new Library employees; Raelinn Spears 9/21/21; Eva Spiekermeier 10/04/21; Len Riker's last day 9/25/21 and Carolyn Wilson's last day 10/07/21. Spook Walk is October 27th.

Community Comments/Requests: Sarah Sellon thanked city for the 4-way stop at Dows and Walker. William Tuthill mentioned the last diagonal parking spot, in front of Odies is hazardous. Long trucks or vehicles stick out into east bound lane making it a one lane street and dangerous. Staff will investigate. Road closure for Spook Walk will be on the 10/18/21 City Council Meeting agenda.

Business

Final Reading of an Ordinance 292 Amending Council Compensation. Presented to council for consideration, the final reading of Ordinance 292 amending the compensation for the City Council members for the City of Ely. This change will move council members to salaried positions with a total annual compensation of \$2,400.00, paid quarterly. Council members are required to maintain no less than 65% attendance of council meetings during the quarter in-order to be compensated. This change would take effect January 1st, 2022, for all council members. No public comments. Motion to close Public Hearing by Hale, 2nd by Whitaker, All Ayes-5. Motion to approve Ordinance 292 by Whitaker, 2nd by Symonds, by Roll Call Tuthill, Wery, Whitaker, Symonds, and Hale. All Ayes - motion carried

Final Reading of an Ordinance 293 Amending Mayor Compensation. Presented to council for consideration is the final reading of Ordinance 293 amending the compensation for the Mayor for the City of Ely. This change would increase the mayor's total annual compensation from \$4,000.00 to 6,000.00, paid quarterly. The mayor would be required to maintain no less than 65% attendance of council meetings during the quarter in-order to be compensated. This change would take effect January 1st, 2024, for the mayor. No public comments. Motion to close Public Hearing by Hale, 2nd by Wery All Ayes-5. Motion to approve Ordinance 293 by Whitaker, 2nd by Tuthill, by Roll Call Tuthill, Wery, Whitaker, Symonds and Hale. All Ayes – motion carried.

Resolution Approving Plat of Emig First Addition within the 2-mile Fringe Area. Presented for council consideration, a resolution approving plat of Emig First Addition within the 2-mile fringe area around the City of Ely. The Planning and Zoning commission reviewed, acknowledged, and approved the plat. Note: The City has no direct approval and rejection ability of this plat. No question or comments. Motion by Symonds, 2nd by Hale, by Roll Call All Ayes-5, motion carried.

Resolution Approving Bids and Awarding Contract for the Hoosier Creek Trunk Sewer Project was changed to discussion only. Bids taken but further discussion on SRF Financing since it was higher than estimated. Resolution moved to the next Council Meeting 10/18/21 to get more information from Spear Financial.

Request to Approve Stormwater Infrastructure Construction Plan for Deer Valley 4th Addition.

Presented for council consideration is a construction plan for stormwater infrastructure located on the north side of the Deer Valley 4th Addition. City Staff and Engineer have reviewed and approve the work to be completed. The work must be completed by the end of November 2021.

Motion by Hale, 2nd by Symonds, by Roll Call, Tuthill, Wery, Whitaker, Symonds, and Hale. All Ayes-5, motion carried.

Request to Approve Agreement with Developer related to Deer Valley 4th Addition.

Presented to council for consideration was an agreement between Duane and Connie Kunkle and the City of Ely. The Developer and City Staff have negotiated an agreement that would allow the Ely City Council to approve the final plat and ensure the necessary infrastructure improvements will be completed. This agreement requires the developer to complete necessary infrastructure improvements by the end of November 2021 or penalties would be placed. Motion by Whitaker, 2nd by Wery, by Roll Call, Tuthill, Wery, Whitaker, Symonds, and Hale. All Ayes-5, motion carried.

Resolution 2021-10.043 Approving Final Plat for Deer Valley 4th Addition. Presented for council consideration a Resolution 2021-10.043 approving the final plat for the Deer Valley 4th Addition. This plat has been reviewed and approved by City Staff and Engineer. Lots 32 – 50. Motion by Whitaker, 2nd by Wery, by Roll Call Tuthill, Wery, Whitaker, Symonds and Hale. All Ayes-5, motion carried.

Request to Approve Low Quote and Contract for Schulte Park Parking Lot. Presented for council consideration a request to approve the low quote and award the Schulte Park Parking Lot project to JDM Concrete in the amount of \$28,887.50 for 6 parking spots and 1 handicapped and continued sidewalk making it ADA compliant. Quotes were solicited from 5 firms and 2 quotes were received from JDM and Midwest Concrete in the amount of \$28,887.50 and \$30,878.00, respectively. This project is in the CIP to be completed this fiscal year and \$30,000 has been budgeted for this work. The contractor will finish the work before the end of the year. Motion by Whitaker, 2nd by Symonds, by Roll Call Tuthill, Wery, Whitaker, Symonds, and Hale. All Ayes-5, motion carried.

Request to Approve Low Quote and Contract for Sewer Manhole Repair Program. Presented for council consideration a request to approve the low quote and award the sewer manhole repair project to JDM concrete with the low quote of \$30,645.00. Funding for this project is coming from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Quotes were solicited from 5 firms and 2 quotes were received from JDM and Midwest Concrete in the amount of \$30,645.00 and \$48,740.00 respectively. Motion by Hale, 2nd by Wery, by Roll Call Tuthill, Wery, Whitaker, Symonds, and Hale. All Ayes-5, motion carried.

Request to Approve Low Quote and Contract for Score Board Project. Presented for council consideration a request to approve the low bid and award the score board project to Midwest Concrete in the amount of \$3,600. Two quotes were received with Midwest Concrete being the low quote. This work will be completed by the end of 2021. Motion by Tuthill, 2nd by Symonds, All Ayes-5, motion carried.

With no further business being evident, council adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm. Motion by Symonds, 2nd by Tuthill. 5-All Ayes motion carried.