

Ely City Council Proceedings March 12, 2018

The Ely City Council met in regular session on 03/12/2018 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members Teri Billick, Kay Hale, Elizabeth Rohner, Judy Wery and Dan Whitaker. Mayor Eldy Miller opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council member Wery moved, second by Whitaker, to approve the following consent items: 03/12/2018 Agenda as presented; Minutes from the 02/12/2018 council meeting; February 2018 financial reports; Payment of claims totaling \$149,327.51. Ayes – 5.

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

Advanced, copy charges	97.53	Menards, supply	268.86
Alison Oliver, library speaker	21.09	Mid-American Energy, utilities	358.40
Alliant Energy, utilities	341.75	MMS, engineering	3,350.00
Allied, baby changing table	211.67	Municipal Supply, Flexnet	2,100.00
Altorfer Rent, trash pump	2,099.95	Neal's Water Condition, service	38.80
Amazon, library media	774.54	NEIL, dues	15.00
Baker & Taylor, books	987.81	Office Express, office supply	120.25
BDH, web hosting	63.75	Piper Jaffery, services	700.00
Blank Park Zoo, library program	163.98	US Postmaster, postage	235.55
Brown Concrete, Snow removal	785.00	Principal, life insurance	67.76
Callie O'Brien, mileage	11.45	Pro Video, microphone rent	50.00
Cannon, lease	109.00	Linn County REC, electrical	356.61
Cardmember Services, supply	439.35	Ron Stark, reimbursement	51.56
Casey's, fuel	251.41	Roto-Rooter, clean main	450.00
City of Hopkinton, pickup	16,000.00	Sam's Club, supply	119.70
Compass Minerals, salt	7,495.91	Sarah Sellon, reimburse	175.10
Cortez, snow plow repairs	652.99	Schimberg, WWTP skimmers	1,529.11
Library CC, supply	308.30	Scott Long, ½ comedian	500.00
Data Tech, contract/class	3,012.50	Sherwin Williams, field stripper	1,040.01
Denise Hoy, mileage	55.59	Simmons Perrine, legal	2,728.75
EFTPS, fed/fica tax	8,922.05	Solon Economist, publications	192.00
Fastenal, bolts for WWTP	172.95	Solon State Bank, petty cash	101.64
Gary Whittom, clothing allowance	203.29	South Slope, phone/internet	576.11
Gazette, publications	239.97	State Hygienic, lab	923.50
Grainger, equipment	115.20	Swank Movie Lic, license	100.00
Hawkeye Electric, repairs	428.44	T & K Roofing, 1 st payment	35,177.00
Henderson Products, plow parts	511.50	Tech Solutions, cameras	110.00
IAMU, dues	669.37	Terminex, pest control	82.25
Iowa Express, delivery	225.00	Tire Associates, tires	2,105.00
IPERS, contributions	4,907.81	Tracy Clair, reimburse	30.02
Jackie Carson, dep refund	25.00	Upbeat, dog waste containers	1,709.39
Ken-Way, storm sewer clean	1,442.00	UPS, shipping	19.46
Keystone, lab	25.00	VSP, insurance	55.96
Kiracofe Oil, fuel	1,660.75	Waste Management, services	11,439.02
Kollegotown Sports, BB jersey	337.48	Wellmark, insurance	3,154.38
Kromminga Motors, repairs	394.13	Payroll, 02/13 – 03/12, 2018	24,467.62
Linn County Planning, inspections	663.07		
Luanne Miller, reimbursement	2.13	Total Bills	\$149,327.51

February 2018 expenses per fund: General \$119,081; Road Use Tax \$16,164; LOST \$99,189; TIF \$95,000; Water \$19,048; Sewer \$23,238. Total \$371,720.

February 2018 receipts per fund: General \$52,797; RUT \$24,968; Employee Benefits \$63; TIF \$375; Capital Projects \$95,816; Main Street Sewer Ext \$98,373; Water \$24,942; Sewer \$27,676; Storm Water Management \$165. Total \$325,175.

Correspondence: Council received minutes for the 02/21/2018 meeting from the P & Z. Under Parks Callie presented minutes from the February meeting. Council accepted the resignation of Park Board member Mark Harapat. Council member Rohner moved, second by Billick, to appoint Mike Houlihan and Liz Healy to fill the unexpired terms for the vacant seats on the Park Board. Council received a report from the Linn County Sheriff Office. Ron Stark, Public Work Director, presented his monthly report and highlighted the water tower bids and options to begin using Well #2. Alan Wery presented information on program updates and stats for the library.

Citizen Requests: No requests.

Business:

Mayor Miller opened the public hearing on the FY2019 Ely Budget. City Admin/Clerk made public announcements concerning the levy rate, revenues and expenses for the year. Hearing no oral or written comments for or against, the public hearing was closed. Upon closing the public hearing, council member Rohner moved to adopt Resolution #2018-03.007 Adopting the FY2019 Budget, seconded by Wery. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick.

Council reviewed the current fireworks ordinance and took into consideration written comments that were made, along with oral comments from the audience. After consideration council instructed Hoy to write an amendment to the current ordinance changing the time and days allowed for using fireworks from June 25- July 8, 9 am to 10 pm and December 27 to January 3 from 9 am to 10 pm; to June 29 – July 4, from Noon to 10 pm, except for July 4 the time is extended to 11 pm, and December 31 to January 1, 6 PM to 12:30 am.

After reviewing the amended preliminary plat for Deer Valley Addition and considering the Planning and Zonings recommendation to approve the amended plat, council member Rohner moved, second by Billick, to adopt Resolution 2018-03.008 Approving the Amended Preliminary Plat Titled Deer Valley Addition to the City of Ely, Linn County, Iowa. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick.

Council members approved the Building Officials job description after adding under essential duties: stop work orders.

Council member Whitaker moved, second by Rohner, to adopt Resolution 2018-03.009 Terminating Agreement with Linn County for Building Inspection Services. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick.

Council member Whitaker moved, second by Wery, to adopt Resolution 2018-03.010 Amending the City of Ely's Employee Handbook by Allowing Vacation Rollover. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick.

Council member Whitaker moved, second by Rohner, to adopt Resolution 2018-03.011 Approving the Action Plan for the 2018 Goals. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick.

Council member Wery moved, second by Billick, to adopt Resolution 2018-03.012 Approving the Mitigation Action Plan for Wetland Areas. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick.

Council member Rohner moved, second by Whitaker, to approve a quote for compost removal from Brown Concrete in the amount of \$6100. Ayes: 5.

Council member Whitaker moved, second by Hale, to accept a bid from Water Tower Clean and Coat, W11822 Reynolds Rd, Lodi, WI for Exterior and Interior cleaning of the water tower in the amount of \$7700. Ayes: 5.

Council member Rohner moved, second by Whitaker, to go into closed session at 8:15 PM to discuss potential purchase of real estate as allowed under Iowa Code Section 21.5 (j). Ayes: 5.

Council moved out of closed session at 8:40 PM and council member Hale moved, second by Whitaker, to authorize the City Administrator to offer an amount agreed upon in closed session for property located at 1510 Walker Street, Ely, Iowa. Ayes: 5.

Mayor Miller briefed council on a few topics:

- The Historic Archives room will be moved to the lower level of City Hall in the activity room, and the Building Official's office will be placed in the current history archives room.
- Sidewalks along Banner Valley were discussed with the idea of using funds from an optional franchise fee that is now collected as Local Option Sales Tax from gas and electric utilities. Construction could possibly be done in phases with the first phase running from Pacific to Rock Island.
- Mayor Miller informed council that though Cozzies land had been recently annexed into the City of Ely, there are currently no specific plans in place. Millicent and Jim Cozzie have visited with the Park Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission about "potential" uses but the city has not committed to any of these ideas.

With no further business being evident, council adjourned the meeting by motion at 8:51 PM.

Eldrew Miller, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator