

Ely City Council Proceedings January 8, 2018

The Ely City Council met in regular session on 01/08/2018 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members Teri Billick, Kay Hale, Judy Wery and Dan Whitaker. Elizabeth Rohner arrived at 6:40 PM. The meeting opened at 6:00 PM with budget presentations from the Library and Park Boards. Council will take the budget requests under consideration.

Mayor Eldy Miller opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council member Hale moved, second by Billick, to approve the following consent items: 01/08/2018 Agenda as presented; Minutes from the 12/11/2017 council meeting; December 2017 financial reports; Payment of claims totaling \$209,135.32. Ayes – 5.

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

A & H Electric, Dows Street	594.90	Linns Heating, repairs	332.80
Advanced, copy charges	222.40	Luanne Miller, reimburse	11.12
Allegra, newsletter	340.87	Mark Harapat, replace lost check	74.17
Alliant Energy, utilities	370.30	Menards, supply	178.63
Altorfer Rent, repairs	130.98	Micro Marketing, audio books	516.44
Amazon, library media	838.86	Mid-American Energy, utilities	241.19
Baker & Taylor, books	561.89	Midwest Patch, street sign	17.10
BDH Tech, web hosting	60.00	MMS, engineering	4,920.00
Brown Concrete, WWTP chains	775.00	Municipal Supply, water meters	1,765.04
Callie O'Brien, reimburse	82.40	Neal's Water Condition, service	38.80
Cannon, lease	109.00	Office Express, office supply	569.46
Cardmember Services, supply	628.85	UPS, Shipping	804.96
Casey Grover, reimbursement	85.60	Principal, life insurance	67.76
Casey's, fuel	285.75	Linn County REC, electrical	261.98
Cedar Valley Humane, contract	260.00	Sarah Sellon, reimburse	63.01
CID, supplies	320.20	Schumacher, elevator inspection	172.80
Centurion Tech, lib exp.	50.00	SESAC, licensing	417.00
Cornerstone Excavating, final	4,513.64	Simmons Perrine, legal	37.00
Cortez, snow blade installation	2,732.10	Solon Economist, publications	162.00
Library CC, supply	559.81	Solon State Bank, petty cash	188.03
Demco, office supply	95.74	South Slope, phone/internet	569.94
EZ Ice, replace lost check	5080.00	State Hygienic, lab	904.00
EFTPS, fed/fica tax	9,041.23	State Treasurer, sales tax	3,792.00
Future Line, light bar	524.05	State Withholding	4,671.00
Gazette, publications	157.80	Corporate Billing, repairs	492.02
Hawkeye Electric, WWTP repairs	8,171.49	Terminex, pest control	129.50
Hawkins, chemical	674.12	Theisen's, supply	276.79
HDC, forms	121.17	Tire Associates, tire	128.06
Iowa Prison Industries, signs	88.80	Tracy Clair, reimburse	31.95
Iowa Express, delivery	250.00	TSC, supply	121.22
Iowa One Call, locates	23.40	UPS, shipping	31.28
IPERS, contributions	5,530.33	USA Bluebook, supply	984.88
Jedd Construction, water repair	2,121.00	Verizon Wireless, Cell Service	151.58
Keystone, lab	39.00	VSP, insurance	55.96
Kromminga Motors, repairs	641.98	Waste Management, services	11,400.67
Letter Perfect, name plate	24.76	Wellmark, insurance	3,154.38
Linn County Planning, inspections	595.35	Payroll, 12/15 to 1/09, 2018	26,997.09
Linn County Election, services	1,884.68		
Linn County Conservation, trail	95,816.26	Total Bills	\$209,135.22

December 2017 expenses per fund: General \$63,909; Road Use Tax \$15,675; Main Street Sewer Ext. \$4,514; Water \$12,724; Sewer \$10,564. Total \$107,384.

December 2017 receipts per fund: General \$32,050; RUT \$17,788; Employee Benefits \$409; LOST \$18,161; TIF \$4,976; Water \$21,563; Sewer \$26,941; Storm Water Management \$163. Total \$122,051.

Correspondence: Council approved the appointment of Dave Schrock, term to expire 12/31/2022, to the Board of Adjustments. Under Parks Council approved the appointment of Nick Steggall, term to expire 12/31/2019, to the Park Board; minutes from the Park & Rec 12/20/2017 meeting. Callie, Park and Recreation Coordinator also reported that Brenda Jones submitted her resignation to the Park Board. Council also approved a report from Linn County Sheriff Office dated 12/11 to 1/08/2018 and Public Works Directors report. Sarah Sellon, Library Director, presented information on program updates and stats, along with the minutes.

Citizen Requests: No requests.

Business: Council reviewed a voluntary annexation request submitted by James Cozzie. Mayor Miller opened a public hearing on the request at 7:20 PM. Questions from Sarah Sellon and Jim Miller were asked and answered regarding the annexation. Hearing no other oral or written comments the hearing was closed at 7:24 PM.

Upon closing the public hearing, council member Whitaker introduced **resolution 2018-01.003 Approving Voluntary Annexation Area**. Hale seconded the motion and roll was as follows: Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick. Nays: None.

Trish Ringgold, 3425 Hoosier Creek Rd NE, Solon, Iowa presented information concerning a colony of cats she had been caring for at the Krob Elevator. Trish visited with council about TNR (trap neuter, return). The neutering of cats will stop the spreading of more cats and then the colony of cats can be managed. Trish urged people not to just “feed” cats. It only creates a supply of food for other animals and does not “take care” of the cat. People with questions about TNR or feral cats can call Trish Ringgold by contacting City Hall.

Council member Wery moved, second by Whitaker, to approve a Slough Exemption request from Jim Miller, Glenn Buresh, and Rob and Denise Smith. The City Administrator was instructed to send the Linn County Soil and Conservation a letter informing them of council’s decision. Ayes: 5.

Council once again looked at option concerning future building inspections for the City of Ely. Administrator Hoy presented more information on training costs that had been collected from 6 different cities. After 3 months of diligent discussions, weighing the options, and visiting with developers and builders, council member Rohner moved to hire an in house Building Official, seconded by Hale. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick. Nays: none.

Council member Hale moved, second by Billick, to adopt **resolution 2018-01.001 Designating the Gazette as the Official Newspaper** for all public notices and publications for the City of Ely, IA. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick. Nays: none.

Council member Whitaker moved, second by Wery, to adopt **resolution 2018-01.004 Approving the City of Ely Retention Schedule** for records within the city. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick. Nays: none.

Council member Hale moved, second by Rohner, to adopt **resolution 2018-01.002 Designating City Depository of Fund and Signatory Authority**. Ayes: Rohner, Wery, Hale, Whitaker, Billick. Nays: none.

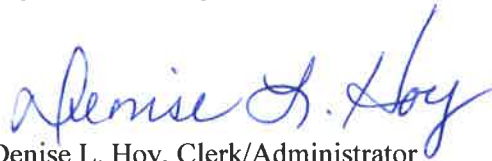
City Administrator/Clerk Hoy reviewed the FY2017 Annual Financial Report with the City Council. A power point presentation depicted Revenues, Expenditures and Year End Balance comparisons.

Council accepted the resignation of Joshua Brown effective 01/03/2018 from the public works position. City Administrator Hoy was instructed to advertise an opening for the position.

With no further business evident, Wery moved, second by Rohner, to adjourn at 8:20 PM.



Eldrew Miller, Mayor



Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator