

Ely City Council Proceedings

The Ely City Council met in regular session on August 17, 2020 at 6:00 pm online over Zoom Platform and Facebook. Officials present were Mayor Eldy Mill, Council Members William Tuthill, Kay Hale, Ben Symonds, Judy Wery and Dan Whitaker. Mayor Eldy Miller called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Miller asked to remove Business item E4 from the agenda as pay application was not received. Mayor Miller asked to add to the agenda Business item E6 Waiving August 10th storm related building permit fees. Motion made by Wery to remove Business E4 and add Business E6, second by Tuthill. Ayes-5 motion carried.

Before Consent Agenda motion, council member Wery asked about B7. North Dr and Knoll Ct Reconstruction Bid opening was pushed back to Monday, August 31st short meeting scheduled. Motion made by Symonds to approve Consent Agenda, second by Hale. Ayes-5 motion carried.

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

A&H Electric – Outlet & Well #2 Pumphouse	1,329.25
Advanced Business Systems – Copies	144.99
Airgas USA LLC - Cylinder Rental	54.10
Allegra – Fall Fest Car Show Flyers	158.35
Baker & Taylor – Books	799.69
Canon Financial Svcs - Copier Lease	109.00
Card Member Services – Credit Card Charges	868.56
Dave Schmitt Construction – State St Tile Line Project	5,510.00
Everbridge – Nixel Late Charge	54.73
Gazette Communication – Publications	111.57
Kelly Rudd – Baseball Field Rental Refund	75.00
Menards – PW Supplies	399.66
MidAmerican Energy – Gas Utilities	100.32
Neals Water Conditioning – City Hall Maint.	19.50
The Northway Corporation – Well #2 Repair Equip	437.05
Novak Unlimited – Mow Trim 1890 Rogers Creek	60.00
Office Express – Office Supply	77.65
Ottsen Oil Co – Vehicle Repair QT C12Q	153.25
Rathje Construction Co – NO Main Water Ext #7	38,565.27
Linn County REC – Electrical Svc	270.55
Southslope – Phone/Internet Service	816.15
WM of Cedar Rapids-Iowa City-Refuse Svc	12,617.41
Utility Deposit Refund – Water Dep Refund	313.09
Total	\$63,025.14

Department Reports City Administrator Thompson gave Storm Relief update and thank you were given to all city staff, volunteers, Fire Department and all the community for their help in keeping essential services running as smoothly.

Community Comments Resident at Comisky Ct asked on status of grass reseeding along State Street. City Admin Thompson aware of the reseeding needed and the contractor has grass planting warranty. The window to reseed for Fall began August 10th and follow up with the contractor has been discussed.

Business Resolution for Hazard/Emergency Pay for City of Ely Staff was discussed for recent storm. Will be reviewed with the Personnel Committee and added to the employee handbook. Questioned time frame and will be specifically for the August 10th Storm cleanup. Motion made for Resolution No. 2020-08.034 by Symonds, second by Whitaker. By vote Ayes-5 motion carried.

Resolution for approving City Administrator and staff to collect and document expenditures and activities related to storm relief. Motion made for Resolution No. 2020-08.035 by Hale, second by Wery by vote Ayes-5 motion carried.

Request to approve State Street Project remaining change orders for #11 and #14 for contractor amounting to \$2,360.00. Motion by Whitaker to approve, second by Symonds by vote Ayes-5 motion carried.

Request to approve pay application for North Water Main Project for contractor amounting to \$38,565.27. Motion by Hale, second by Whitaker all Ayes-5 motion carried.

Request to waive August 10th Storm related Building Permit Fees. Permits will still need to be applied for and final inspections performed. Storm related damage, proof and repair verification will be required. Motion by Hake, second by Symonds Ayes-5 motion carried.

Callie O'Brien of Parks and recreation brought to the attention of council that the storm had blown the Christmas decoration trailer over and the damaged has not been assessed yet.

Reminder next meeting set for August 31st 8:00-8:30 pm after the scheduled Council Training 5:30-8:00 pm

With no further business being evident, council adjourned the meeting. Motion made by Hale, second by Tuthill at 6:55 PM. Ayes-5