

**CITY OF EYOTA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 8, 2013**

Members Present: Mayor Tyrel Clark, Tony Nelson, Ray Schuchard and Kurt Holst

Members Absent: Bryan Cornell

Staff Present: Marlis Knowlton, Clerk/Treasurer; Deputy Tracey Pagel, Community Officer; and Fred Suhler, City Attorney

Call to Order: Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda: Motion was made by Schuchard and seconded by Nelson to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve the consent agenda items 4.A through 4.D as presented. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 4.D"

4.A. Approve the minutes of the July 25, 2013 regular Council meeting

4.B. Authorize Iris Neumann to serve on the State Health Improvement Program
Executive Community Leadership Team, for two years through June 2015

4.C. Approve the Fire Relief Association Pension annual benefit amount, \$1,300

4.D. Move RESOLUTION #2013-18 Authorizing entering into an agreement with
Olmsted County regarding the Safe Routes to School Project

Recreational Vehicles Allowed on City Streets - Proposed Ordinance – Comment Period:

The Council heard and discussed numerous comments on the pros and cons, possible regulations, enforcement and other agency regulations of golf carts, all-terrain vehicles and utility vehicles within the City. City Attorney Fred Suhler recommended making sure the ordinance is specific about where within the City any of these vehicles can be used, for instance, not on pedestrian paths. Specific regulations are being agreed on first to confirm consensus is achieved to determine if the ordinances will be passed or not.

ATVs: add the specific speed limit of 15 miles per hour, no driver under sixteen years of age without having taken ATV drivers training, add wording to allow handicapped use in parks, and detail areas where they are not allowed.

For both golf carts and ATVs: add the permit may be revoked if no insurance or for repeat offenses. They can not be used on sidewalks, paths or in parks; and add language that would allow handicap use in parks and authorized city maintenance use. It was commented that visitors riding into town would also be obligated to obtain a permit to ride legally in town.

The additions will be made to the proposed ordinances and will be brought back to the next Council meeting for further review and discussion. No other action was taken.

REPORTS:

Community Officer: Deputy Pagel reported Eyota Days went fairly well.

Fire Department: Department discussed upcoming training burns and their September open house.

Clerk's Report:

Soccer Net Rental: Council consensus: allow portable soccer nets to be used free of charge by Jacob Schleusner for Eyota girls practicing for a Rochester soccer league; no rental charge, but agree to pay any repair or replacement costs.

Safe Routes to School: There was only one bidder for the construction project; and that bid exceeded construction cost estimates by over \$100,000. The State is investigating if there are any other funds available. Although this is bad news, there is still hope the project will proceed.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

Eyota Volunteer Ambulance Service: Chris Arendt, Eyota Volunteer Ambulance Service Director of Operations, reviewed their plans to build a new building. A scaled down plan and firm construction estimate has been finalized by the Ambulance Service. If the City was to bond for the construction costs, own the land and the building, the City would need to follow public procurement rules which would delay the process and probably increase the cost. After a lengthy discussion analyzing options, and their pros and cons, it was suggested the City pay the Ambulance Service the approximate \$260,000 up front. This would enable the Ambulance Service to purchase the land, have a better chance of acquiring a construction loan from a bank and end up owning the building. This plan would eliminate the numerous time delays in beginning construction because of government regulations in large construction and bonding projects. Council consensus: Arendt should pursue this suggested option.

Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst contingent on the Ambulance Service obtaining a construction loan on their own, the City is prepared to make a lump sum payment for the amount of the City's portion of the asset owned for the building; and the annual levy would be adjusted down accordingly. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Housing Development Refunding Bonds, Series 2006A: The bonds financing Arbor Gardens can be refinanced as early as November 2013; potential savings at today's interest rates could be as much as \$160,000. Mike Bubany, David Drown Associates, City Financial Advisory recommended authorizing him to watch the interest rates and negotiate an immediate sale if the savings is substantial enough. Motion was made by Holst and seconded by Nelson to move RESOLUTION #2013-19 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$2,235,000 OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2013A (General Obligation of the City of Eyota) IF SAVINGS TARGETS ARE MET. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 7.B"

Post Bulletin Sponsorship Request: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve sponsoring the Dover-Eyota football teams' page in the Post Bulletin Pig Skin Review at a cost of \$50; the funds will be from the Economic Development Authority Fund, advertising expense account. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Olmsted County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Services Agreement Renewal: Motion was made by Schuchard and seconded by Holst to approve entering into the Olmsted County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Services Agreement for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$191,467. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Accounts Payable: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve the accounts payable as presented in the amount of \$45,188.37. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 7.E"

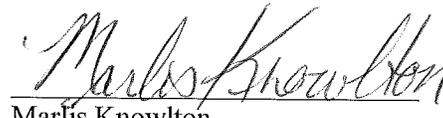
Other Business:

Municipal Buildings Roof Replacement: Holst submitted an updated bid from Bob's Construction to upgrade the steel roofing material to a heavier gauge and hidden fasteners to increase the life of the product. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Schuchard to approve Bob's Construction bid for hidden fasteners and heavier gauge steel for both the Fire Hall roof and the Westside Park pavilion roof, with a large portion of the cost of the project being paid by insurance and money already in reserves set aside for a future roof replacement. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 8"

Generator Ready Project – Fire Hall Water Heater: Three prices were obtained to replace the water heater at the Fire Hall. Motion was made by Schuchard and seconded by Holst to approve the purchase, up to \$300, for a Richmond Encore 13 KW Tankless Electric Water Heater from Menards. Discussion: the current heater is leaking, on demand heaters are more efficient and will serve the limited needs at the fire hall. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to adjourn. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 10:00 p.m.


Tyrel Clark
Mayor


Marlis Knowlton
Clerk/Treasurer