

**CITY OF EYOTA  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
OCTOBER 23, 2014**

Members Present: Tyrel Clark, Tony Nelson, Bryan Cornell and Kurt Holst

Members Absent: Ray Schuchard

Staff Present: Marlis Knowlton, Clerk/Treasurer, Community Officer Tracey Pagel, Fire Department Chiefs Jeremy Newton and Jerry Pike.

**Call to Order:** Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approve Agenda:** Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to approve the agenda with the addition of a Fire Department truck purchase after Report 5.A. 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.G as presented. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 4.B, 4.C and 4.F"

- 4.A. Minutes of the October 9, 2014 regular Council meeting were approved
- 4.B. RESOLUTION #2014-30 RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND DESIGNATION OF DONATION RECEIVED, \$100 cash from Edward and Roberta Otto to be designated to the Fire Department Fund for the purchase of future equipment to be determined, approved.
- 4.C. RESOLUTION #2014-31 RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND DESIGNATION OF DONATION RECEIVED, equipment valued at \$596.28 from the Hiawatha Sno-Seekers. Equipment of: fire flappers, fire brooms, drywall hook poles and personalized accountability tags that are specific to firefighting, designated to the Eyota Fire Department for their use, approved.
- 4.D. SMIF (Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation) Regional Community Growth Initiative Speak Out, Saturday, November 15, Treasure Island Resort and Casino, in Welch, MN, authorize Marlis Knowlton to attend, reimburse possible mileage expenses, approved.
- 4.E. Mississippi River – Winona Watershed meeting in St. Charles, Monday, October 27, authorize Marlis Knowlton to attend, reimburse mileage expenses, approved.
- 4.F. RESOLUTION #2014-32 RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND DESIGNATION OF DONATION RECEIVED, a \$105 gift certificate to City employee Iris Neumann for her work at the Eyota Farmers Market, from regular market vendors: Laurie Whitmore, Laurie Meyer, Karen Loeding, Dano and Kathy Lange, Logan Clark, and Lori and Dave Ehlenfeldt, designated it to be used for equipment or supplies in support of the Eyota Farmers Market, approved.
- 4.G. CEDA (Community and Economic Development Associates) 2015 contract, cost \$32,461, average one and one half days a week service, approved to enter into contract.

**REPORTS:**

**Community Officer:** Deputy Pagel reported on last month's calls. Drive safely on Halloween. November 1 the winter parking regulations begin, no parking on streets between 2 and 6 a.m.

**Fire Department:**

**Truck Purchase:** Plans to replace the 1990 Darley fire truck have been in the works for years. New trucks have been researched and the Fire Department is recommending an E-ONE truck be purchased from Fire Safety USA, through the HGAC purchasing program, a nationwide purchasing cooperative. Fire Safety USA offers better service options. The \$465,000 cost will be shared equally with the Eyota Township. If the City pays any amount prior to the delivery date, three percent interest will be earned up to that date. The Eyota Township has approved purchasing the truck, contingent on the City's decision.

Motion was made by Holst and seconded by Cornell to approve purchasing the recommended rescue pumper truck through the HGAC program in the amount of \$465,000. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 5"

**Department Report:** Chief Newton thanked everyone who attended the pancake breakfast and the open house, the support is appreciated. The Fire Department welcomes questions and visitors anytime, contact any Department member. Department members are planning another training session at the Regional Training Center in Rochester.

**Tanker Repair:** Eyota Township Board Supervisor Bob Pennington requested the City consider sharing the cost to replace the engine in the water tender that the City uses regularly for maintenance needs. The estimates are \$7,900 for the engine, possible \$900 core charge and \$400 to replace the clutch. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to approve paying half of the water tender repair costs up to \$4,600. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

**Eyota Volunteer Ambulance Members Meeting:** No report available, no one attended the meeting.

**Planning Commission:** Knowlton reported the Commission held a preliminary plat review public hearing for John Keefe's subdivision Stone Garden Estates. Commission recommendations will come before the Council at the next meeting.

**DESCASD Sewer Board:** Clark reported the Board discussed: assets, no plant violations and flow rates. Rural sewer service users are being requested to install water meters to be billed on use versus flat fees.

**Clerk:** Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to authorize Scott Schmidt attend two University of Minnesota Extension workshops in November, cost \$50; request Scott to be available for calls because Brad Boice will be gone. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:**

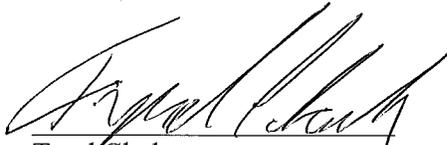
**All-Terrain/Utility Task Vehicles and Golf Cart Ordinance Review:** The council is still considering changing the size of the sticker and possibly the permit fee. Kevin Kullot and Wes Bussell, citizens, both commented: the current ordinance is acceptable, questioned if the ordinance is being enforced, the permit application process is cumbersome, and the fee could be reduced if the application process were simplified or eliminated. The Council requested this be discussed at the November 24 meeting, when a full Council is expected to be in attendance. No further action was taken.

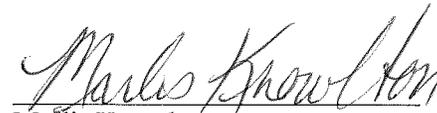
**Accounting Clerk Position:** The Personnel Committee (Bryan Cornell, Tyrel Clark, Marlis Knowlton) interviewed five applicants out of thirty-five. Committee recommends hiring Kathie Hall, \$18 an hour for forty hours a week. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to hire Kathie Hall as recommended. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

**Accounts Payable:** Council questioned the payment to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC for seal coating; was the final sweeping satisfactorily completed. Knowlton suggested pulling the payment anyway because quantity confirmation and payment recommendation has not been received from the engineers. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve the accounts payable with the subtraction of the \$28,103.95 payment to Fahrner Asphalt, total payables \$37,067.50. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 6.C"

**Other Business:** Clark reported the Fire Department, Public Works, EDA and the utility billing clerk's computer replacements have been ordered from PC Applications Consultants, Inc., cost \$3,637.93.

**Adjourn:** Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to adjourn. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

  
Tyrel Clark  
Mayor

  
Marlis Knowlton  
Clerk/Treasurer