

**CITY OF EYOTA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 27, 2014**

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

Members Absent: none

Staff Present: Marlis Knowlton, Clerk/Treasurer

Call to Order: Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to approve the consent agenda items 4.A through 4.C as presented. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 4.B"

- 4.A. Approve the minutes of the February 13, 2014 regular Council meeting
- 4.B. Approve Resolution 2014-08 RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND DESIGNATION OF DONATIONS RECEIVED to the Fire Department, \$340 from numerous parties to be used for future equipment purchases.
- 4.C. Approve scheduling the Board of Appeal and Equalization April 21, 5-5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

REPORTS:

DESCASD Sewer Board: Schuchard report the Board reviewed projected rate increases and nitrate levels are being monitored by the DESCASD plant in addition to the MN Pollution Control.

The Board also addressed water being used to avoid freezing water lines and the related costs. No action was taken to credit the cities for the extra water used due to the cold; they will discuss it again at the next meeting. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to create a resolution to request the Sewer Board waive these extra fees. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Planning Commission: No report. The February 20 meeting was cancelled.

Economic Development Authority (EDA): Cornell reported the EDA discussed normal business activity and financial reports. Nick Koverman, St. Charles Administrator, attended the EDA meeting and suggested the three cities (St. Charles, Dover, Eyota) request the DESCASD Sewer Board waive the \$2,640 new construction sewer availability charge (SAC) to promote growth. Schuchard, as a DESCASD Board member, is against waiving this fee because it is meant to accumulate funds for future plant improvements. The Council will need detailed information from the Sewer Board regarding SAC funds before making a decision.

The EDA also discussed details and will move forward with a needs assessment survey regarding an area public transportation opportunity through SEMCAC. Eastwood Bank presented a \$250 check to help with advertising expenses for the City's 2014 building incentive program.

Clerk's Report:

2014 EBT and Market Bucks Kick Off Meeting: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to authorize Iris Neumann attend the March 6 kick off meeting; location is pending. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Sales Tax Training: Motion was made by Holst and seconded by Schuchard to authorize Iris Neumann attend the March 25 Minnesota Department of Revenue's Sales Tax Basic Course training in Rochester, no registration fee, just travel expense. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

Safe Routes to School Project: The project was rebid, there were seven bidders, and it appears Pember Companies is the lowest bidder. Olmsted County will award the contract at their March 11 meeting. Minnesota Department of Transportation (grant sponsors) has verified the entire construction bid will be funded by the grant along with additional funds provided by them.

Accounts Payable: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to approve the accounts payable as presented in the amount of \$15,441.52. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 6.B"

Other Business: Clark reported project stakeholders met with Minnesota Department of Transportation staff to discuss the 2015 (late summer) construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Highway 14 and 42. The intersection will be closed and travel will be detoured during construction. There will be two public meetings during the planning process; watch for future advertisements regarding time and place.

Trails Day on the Hill will be at the State Capital on March 4; Clark will be attending in support of our area trails.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to adjourn. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



Tyrel Clark
Mayor



Marlis Knowlton
Clerk/Treasurer