

**CITY OF EYOTA  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
JULY 24, 2014**

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

Members Absent: Kurt Holst

Staff Present: Marlis Knowlton, Clerk/Treasurer and Financial Advisor Mike Bubany, David Drown Associates

**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 Cornell and seconded by Schuchard to approve the agenda with the addition of a tree removal request under 8. Other Business. Ayes (4), 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 (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.  
See "Exhibit 4.B" and "Exhibit 4.C"

4.A. Minutes of the July 10, 2014 regular Council meeting were approved

4.B. Resolution #2014-21 Accepting Donation to the Fire Department was approved

4.C. Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation Regional Community Growth Initiative Memorandum of Understanding was approved

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Approval of Property Tax Abatement for B&C Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Public hearing relating to the use of property tax abatement to finance up to \$70,000 in eligible project costs, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1812 to 469.1815, inclusive, as amended. The total amount of tax abatements will not exceed \$70,000 collected over a period of ten (10) years, will not exceed \$7,000 collected annually, commencing with taxes payable 2016, for tax parcel 62.10.42.076429. Mike Bubany explained tax abatement and the details of this abatement proposal. This is municipal taxes only, not County or School tax.

Public Hearing: Mayor Clark opened the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.; there were no written comments submitted, there was no one present, there were no comments made.  
Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to close the public hearing. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. Public hearing was declared closed at 7:26 p.m.

Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to move Resolution #2014-22 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TAX ABATEMENT ON PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF EYOTA FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO B&C PLUMBING AND HEATING, INC. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. "Exhibit 5.a"

Motion was made Nelson and seconded by Cornell to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Tax Abatement Development Agreement By and Between City of Eyota, Minnesota and B and C Plumbing and Heating, Inc. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. "Exhibit 5.b"

**REPORTS:**

**Eyota Ambulance Members:** Nelson reported there was no July meeting because of Eyota Days.

**DESCASD Sewer Board:** Clark reported nitrate level requirements will be set by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency in 2016. It was requested the Board members inquire the status of sewer flow monitoring.

**Planning Commission:** No report, the Commission did not have a July meeting.

**Economic Development Authority (EDA):** Clark reported on both the Arbor Gardens and EDA financials and general activities including: Small Cities Block Grant, Rochester Sales Tax revenue project priorities, Alliant Energy grant opportunities, continued communications with Mayo Clinic for services at Arbor Gardens and Olmsted County housing study meetings and information.

**Rochester Clinic:** Additional steps have been taken to continue pursuing an agreement for Rochester Clinic to provide additional services to the Arbor Gardens' residents; and possibly, in the future, to community members.

**123 Madison Avenue SW:** Wells Fargo Premier Asset Services is offering to donate the property to the City. In order for the EDA to possibly use Rochester Sales Tax revenue for some projects it was suggested the donated property be accepted by the EDA as a strategic advantage for the option of developing a future Economic Development District. The EDA recommended the City accept the donation and to pursue obtaining the adjacent blighted property at 119 Madison Avenue SW. Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Schuchard to accept 123 Madison Avenue SW as a donation from Wells Fargo on behalf of the EDA. Discussion: this is in the best interest of the City. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Schuchard and seconded by Nelson to authorize staff to investigate obtaining the property at 119 Madison Avenue SW, ownership, tax value, costs, etc. Discussion: obtaining this property falls under the same finding of facts as the 123 Madison Avenue property. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

**Clerk:**

**Work Meeting:** The Council previously requested future work meeting to be scheduled to discuss financial planning regarding utility rate increases, infrastructure project costs, GIS mapping, Fifth Street SW storm water project feasibility, etc. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Schuchard to schedule a Council work meeting with Bill Angerman and Mike Bubany on August 18 at 6:30 p.m. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

**City Brush Site:** In order to pursue possible locations for a future city brush site, a plan of operations is needed. Council requested Brad Boice, Public Works create a plan. Council suggested Boice ask the Council for their vision of a future site and operation ideas.

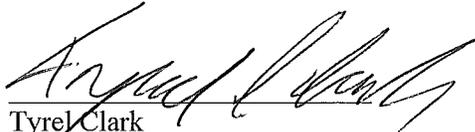
**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:**

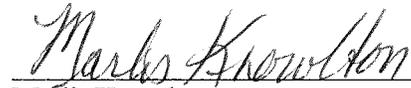
**Accounts Payable:** Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$69,024.47. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 7.A"

**Other Business:**

**Tree Removal:** Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to approve the request by Public Works to hire a tree service to remove a boulevard tree at 310 Center Avenue S for the cost of \$700.

**Adjourn:** Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to adjourn. Ayes (4), Nays (0).  
Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

  
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Tyrel Clark  
Mayor

  
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Marlis Knowlton  
Clerk/Treasurer