

CITY OF EYOTA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JULY 23, 2015

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

Members Absent: Ray Schuchard

Staff Present: Brad Boice, Public Works Supervisor; Community Officer Deputy Pagel and Marlis Knowlton, Clerk/Treasurer

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

Approve Agenda: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve the agenda with the addition of Bruce and Lynette Klaehn tree issue after the 5.E. Clerks report. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

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

4.A. Minutes of the July 9, 2015 regular Council meeting approved

4.B. RESOLUTION #2015-25, RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND DESIGNATION OF DONATIONS RECEIVED. Cash donations to the Eyota Volunteer Fire Department, \$1,500.00 designated to be appropriated to the Fire Department Fund for the purchase of future equipment to be determined and purchasing fire retardant foam as needed.
Karen Glynn - \$100 and Magellan Pipeline Company, LP - \$1,500

REPORTS:

Community Officer: Deputy Pagel reported there were a few more calls last month. National Night Out will be August 4, register your neighborhood party with crime prevention. Eyota Days went well; only a few minor law enforcement incidents.

Planning Commission: The July 15 meeting was cancelled, no report.

DESCASD Sewer Board: Clark reported a representative from Winona County gave a presentation on erosion control; the Board may consider making improvements. Bids for replacing the roof were revised due to regulation changes requiring increased R values. The system's flow meters will need to be upgraded from analog to digital. There were no violations last month. The personnel committee is developing employee goals and a maintenance tracking system.

Economic Development Authority (EDA): Clark reported on Arbor Gardens financials, census and maintenance projects. The Rolling Hills Transit promotional video is done and will be broadcast soon. The Minnesota Design Team accepted our request and now the EDA will evaluate the opportunity and make a recommendation at a future meeting to move forward or not with the project.

One of the strategic goals to use the Rochester sales tax revenues is to create an event center; but first an economic development district would need to be established. Details will be given to the Council to study before the next meeting.

Clerks Report: The City will receive \$28,224 this year through 2015 legislation as a Small Cities Assistance Account; aimed to help cities that do not receive municipal state aid. Funds can be used for construction and maintenance of roads. It was suggested the funds be used during this current fiscal year.

333 Beth Court NE Trees: Bruce and Lynette Klaehn addressed the Council to inform the City Dairyland Power Line Co. cut down sixteen trees under the transmission lines, the trees were planted on the Klaehn's property. From the Klaehn's request, the Council will send a letter to Dairyland Power requesting information on their tree trimming/removal policy and notices to property owners.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

Debts Owed to the City: Notices were sent to property owners regarding delinquent water and sewer utility billings. No property owners were present to comment. Council approved to certify delinquent amounts to the tax rolls. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve RESOLUTION #2015-26, RESOLUTION ADOPTING ASSESSMENT FOR WATER/SEWER BILL. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 6.A"

Work Meeting: Request to schedule a work meeting to review and discuss the storm water management plan with City Engineers and 2016 budget preparation if time allows. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to schedule a Council work meeting August 17, 7:00 p.m. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Water Service Connection Changes: The 19 Second Street SE water service line goes out the back of the house, through the alley and east to South Avenue. These are the type of service connections the City is trying to eliminate during the water main replacement project. The water system should have consistency and uniformity. Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to authorize installing a new service into the house and up to the water meter at the City's expense. Discussion: the homeowner did not elect to do this and the City wants consistency in the utility systems. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Accounts Payable: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$86,203.94 as presented. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 6.D"

Any Other Business:

47 Park Drive NW Water Service: Brad Boice explained to the Council a complicated situation where 51 Park Drive had been receiving water from an unidentifiable line from 47 Park Drive. That needs to be abandoned and 47 Park Drive needs a new direct service line.

The question was who is responsible financially. The homeowners were not aware of this unique situation and there is no way of knowing how this was authorized to be installed. Each unique

situation needs to be looked at individually; the Council is not setting any precedence with this decision.

Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to authorize the City to pay for the repairs up to \$2,400; which does not include all the plumbing under the trailer. Discussion: this is a unique situation, no one knows where the water line tees off and 47 Park Drive could turn the water back on and be fine except it would flood the neighbor at 51 Park Drive and original plumbing documents from the development have not been located. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Liquor Ordinance: Council requested the liquor ordinance be updated to include new state changes: Sunday growler sales and Sunday hours.

City Brush Site: Olmsted County requested additional information regarding the septic system at the proposed future brush site location. Council consensus: the City should do everything it can do to help and get this site developed; including the cost of drawings, finding professionals to create the septic system drawings and/or sending a letter to Matt Flynn the County Commissioner.

City Hall Sign: Cornell and Holst were assigned to work with staff to refurbish or replace the City Hall sign. Being of historic nature, the current sign can be kept in storage if it is replaced with a new one.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to adjourn the meeting. Ayes (4), Nays (0). Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:12 p.m.



Tyrel Clark
Mayor



Marlis Knowlton
Clerk/Treasurer