

CITY OF EYOTA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 8, 2015

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

Members Absent: none

Staff Present: Brad Boice, Public Works Supervisor 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 Cornell and seconded by Holst to approve the agenda with the addition of item 5.D. Public Works Report and 7. Other Business, Second Street property and abandoned property. 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 and 4.F as presented. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 4.D"

- 4.A. Minutes of the September 24, 2015 regular Council meeting, approved
- 4.B. 2016-2017 Law Enforcement Services Agreement with Olmsted County, City of Eyota and City of Dover, in the amount of \$143,133.00
- 4.C. 2016-2017 Law Enforcement Services Agreement with Olmsted County, City of Eyota and Dover Eyota Schools, in the amount of \$118,284.00.
- 4.D. Resolution #2015-31, Resolution Reducing Assessments on Tax Forfeited Land: assessment reduced to \$15,000 against Stone Ridge Common Interest Community #174 subdivision, PIN 62.10.44.064187, Lot 1 Block 1, 101 Sandstone Drive NW
- 4.E. Training, Kathie Hall approved to attend government accounting training October 23, in Minneapolis, cost \$159 plus travel
- 4.F. MCFOA Region Meeting, Marlis Knowlton approved to attend Region meeting, October 23, in Montgomery, cost \$15 plus travel

REPORTS:

DESCASD Sewer Board: Schuchard reported the District's assets at \$1,129,201.61 and there have been no recent violations. The District approved waiving the new residential construct connection fees of \$2,640 again in 2016. An application will be submitted for a new plant processing permit required in December, as the plant processes over one million gallons. The 2016 budget is still being reviewed in order to try to keep sewer rate increases as low as possible.

Fire Department: Nelson reported the Department discussed plans for the pancake breakfast and the fire prevention week open house.

Aleshire Resignation: Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Schuchard to accept the Eyota Volunteer Fire Department's recommendation to accept and approve the resignation of Tom Aleshire, effective October 1, 2015. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Clerks Report: Knowlton reported the Dover Township Board Supervisor, as designated animal control authority, has determined Bob Franke's dog will be deemed potentially dangerous per State Statute.

Public Works: Boice gave an update on the street project. The water valves and manhole covers in the street are being raised and will be built up with blacktop for the winter because the second lift/layer of blacktop will not be put down until 2016, as planned. The general contractor (Elcor) has been advised to find someone else to sod if the subcontractor (Sodko) does not show up soon.

Brush Site: A design for a second septic system needs to be submitted and approved for the proposed brush site before the County will approve operations. The Council agreed to pay for the engineering fees if they do not excessively exceed the estimated \$500. Boice was approved to work on obtaining signage.

Broom: Boice recommended purchasing a new broom for the Kubota tractor through a unique opportunity: purchase price of \$2,750 versus the normal \$4,000. Boice also recommended selling the Toro 325 mower, broom and cab. Motion was made by Schuchard and seconded by Nelson to purchase the broom and sell the old mower. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Skate Park Equipment: The bid submitted to purchase the used skate park equipment from the City of Lanesboro was accepted. Council consensus: hire Funk Trucking from Chatfield to haul the equipment, estimated cost \$300 if it fits on one load. Council also confirmed ninety percent of the equipment cost will be paid out of the gambling fund; the other ten percent out of the park fund.

Patio Pavers: Previously the Council approved surplus patio pavers to be given to the Ambulance Service to use at their new facility. Any of those not used will be purchased privately.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

2015 Street & Utility Improvement Project Pay Request #3:

Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Nelson to approve the 2015 Street & Utility Improvements Project pay request #3, payable to Elcor Construction, \$859,368.85. Clark, Cornell, Nelson and Holst voted in favor. Schuchard abstained; his wife is an Elcor employee. Ayes (4), Nays (0), Abstained (1). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 6.A"

Schedule November and December Meetings: Due to Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays the November and December second council meeting of those months need to be rescheduled.

Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Schuchard to reschedule the November 26 meeting to Monday November 23. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Cornell to reschedule the December 24 meeting to Tuesday, December 29. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried.

Winter parking Restrictions: The Council again debated changing the winter parking restrictions. With current restrictions of no parking for months, it seems ridiculous to issue tickets when there is no snow on the ground. If it was changed to no parking when there is two or more inches of snow fall, who would determine that measurement and how would the citizens be contacted. There was concern of possible additional cost for staff to go back and plow more than one time.

Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to change the ordinance to:

It shall be unlawful to park, or permit any vehicle or trailer to remain parked, upon any alley or street from November 1st to April 1st between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. or until streets are plowed from curb to curb during or following any snow fall or significant ice accumulation and in the event of a continuous and/or substantial snowfall, a citywide "snow emergency" may be declared by the Public Works Supervisor or his/her designee. It shall be unlawful to park on any city street during the time in which a snow emergency has been declared, until such time as the snow emergency is rescinded. Clark, Cornell, Nelson and Holst voted in favor. Schuchard was opposed. Ayes (4), Nays (1). Motion carried.

The revised ordinance and summary ordinance will be on the next agenda for final approval.

SUMMARY: Parking on the streets will be allowed unless there is snow or ice accumulation of any amount. Then there will be no parking allowed on the streets from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. to allow for plowing. This parking restriction will be enforced November 1 to April 1.

Accounts Payable: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$977,922.83; which includes the additions of \$15 MCFOA meeting registration, \$859, 368.85 Elcor pay request and \$15,351 City of Lanesboro for skate park equipment. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried. See "Exhibit 6.D"

****10/22/15 Council approved correction to the minutes: total accounts payable approved with additions should be \$982,537.98. Exhibit 6.D shows correct total.**

Other Business: Property inquiries: Clark requested the status of the engineer's study on the Second Street Wetland property; to determine probability of a site for a potential brewery. Council consensus: authorized Knowlton to talk to the attorney about the abandoned property on Madison Avenue.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Holst to adjourn the meeting. Ayes (5), Nays (0). Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Tyrel Clark
Mayor



Marlis Knowlton
Clerk/Treasurer