

CITY OF EYOTA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2016

Members Present: Tyrel Clark, Bryan Cornell and Kurt Holst

Members Absent: Tony Nelson and Ray Schuchard

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 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda: Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Holst and seconded by Cornell to approve the consent agenda items 4.A through 4.E. as presented with the correction noted by Knowlton; 4.C. Wastewater training will be in Brooklyn Park not Vadnais Heights. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried.

4.A. Minutes of the January 28, 2016 regular Council meeting

4.B. Waterworks Operator School, approve Brad Boice and Scott Schmidt attend March 9-11 in Rochester, registration cost \$270

4.C. Wastewater Training and Examination, approve Scott Schmidt attend March 21-23 in Brooklyn Park, cost \$355 plus lodging and travel expenses.

4.D. RESOLUTION #2016-08, RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND DESIGNATION OF DONATIONS RECEIVED. Fire Safety donated equipment to the Relief Association to outfit the new fire truck, this extensive list of equipment is valued at \$750 and includes: nozzle clamps, fist lamps, hanger pocket, axes, hose straps and hook poles. This equipment donated by the Eyota Volunteer Fire Department Relief Association is to be designated to the Eyota Fire Department to be put in service.

4.E. RESOLUTION #2016-09, RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND DESIGNATION OF DONATIONS RECEIVED. Jeff Peck, Fire Chief and Eyota citizen has donated a ladder (Little Giant) valued at \$194.17 and it will be designated to the Fire Department as equipment.

REPORTS:

Fire Department: No report, no one present attended the February 4 meeting.

Park Board: Clark reported the Board requested additional bids to paint the West Side Park pavilion door replacements and discussed the 2016 Summer Rec program.

Holst reported the Board discussed the splash park presentation from last month and they will be sending out a survey to obtain ideas about a splash park or pool and the general Park System for ideas and support to make additions or changes.

As the designated Tree Board, they also discussed trees in the 2016 Street and Utility Improvement Project area. They support removing trees that are undesirable due to location, age or species, etc. There are budgeted funds for tree maintenance and planting. The city will pay to replace trees that are removed in the 2016 Project, per the property owners' request.

Public Works: Brad Boice reported on the following items:

Equipment Replacement Schedule: Boice noted the 2019 replacement price for the pay loader should be \$165,000 to \$180,000; not the \$235,000 that was listed on the schedule in error. Cities have different timelines and schedules for replacing equipment. Eyota has generally kept equipment longer than most. Current equipment is in good shape and should last a long time barring any unexpected problems. This schedule will be used as a budgeting guide only. The idea is to continue to budget for replacement, but replacement will not be mandatory if it is not warranted at that point in time; at least some or most of the money will be available if replacement is approved. See "Exhibit 5.C"

Water Main Elimination on Lafayette Avenue: Boice and City Engineer's WHKS have investigated and recommend eliminating the water main in between Fifth and Sixth Street SW. Elimination will not change circulation or reduce fire safety; and there are no individual service lines off Lafayette. Elimination should be completed before Sixth Street is overlaid in 2016. Action will be taken when cost estimates are received.

Sixth Street Overly Project: The sewer lateral for the Dover Eyota High School is damaged and needs to be repaired prior to the street project. The School will be billed for the repair. Action will be taken when cost estimates are received.

Updates: Council requested additional bids to paint the West Side Park pavilion replacement doors. Boice requested the Council consider painting four or five street light poles in the downtown area. Council requested he get bids and look into replacing the fixture with LED if there is a cost savings. Boice has been researching resurfacing some of the skate park features that were recently purchased used from Lanesboro. It could be as much as \$6,000; but not sure yet if all the pieces will fit on the existing concrete pad or if all of them need to be resurfaced with new material.

Residents' concerns: handicap accessible ramps from sidewalk to street are not being kept clear of snow and ice. Please keep these ramps cleared.

Another concern is people have been parking on Sixth Street SW near the High Schools east entrance in front of the designated crosswalk. Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to approve ordering and installing four signs (pedestrian crossing with arrows and posts) for \$321. Ayes 3, Nay 0. Motion carried.

Clerks Report: No report.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

2016 Street and Utility Improvement Project: A public information meeting was held earlier this evening for property owners in the project area to discuss details with the Engineers. Points of interest: the streets will again be thirty two feet wide, no new sidewalks, new water mains, new storm sewers with curb and gutters, some sanitary manholes will be replaced and special consideration regarding the sod contractor. Construction bids are scheduled for March 22 and construction could start May or June. There were no major issues or concerns to consider.

Summer Rec Director: Three applicants were interviewed out of a total of six applications. Motion was made by Holst and seconded by Cornell to hire Ryan Scheevel as the 2016 Summer Rec Director at a salary of \$3,300. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried.

City Hall Façade Improvements: Knowlton informed the Council the new City Hall sign is very reflective and staff recommends waiting and reevaluating if lighting is necessary. Council agreed.

At the last meeting the Council approved to replace the outside bulletin boards. New 2016 prices have been put into effect and the cost has increased \$200. Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to approve purchasing two boards from Alphabet Signs at the revised increased price of \$935.00. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried.

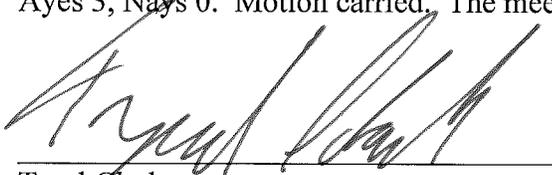
Farmers Market Manager: Council Consensus: advertise the position for the 2016 Farmers Market Manager through March 18, in the Dover Eyota Eagle, on Facebook and TV.

Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to approve reimbursing Iris Neumann for registration, lodging and travel fees to attend the Minnesota Farmers Market Association Spring Meeting in Monticello, March 22; Neumann will be attending as a volunteer. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Accounts Payable: Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to approve the accounts payable as presented for a total payable amount of \$35,533.54. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried. See "Exhibit 6.E"

Other Business: Verizon Wireless inquired if the City is interested in renewing the lease agreement for antennas on the water tower. The agreement expires in 2017 but it takes time to make arrangements if the City is not interested in renewing. Council agreed to proceed with the agreement renewal negotiations.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Holst to adjourn the meeting. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Tyrel Clark
Mayor



Marlis Knowlton
Clerk/Treasurer