

Emmetsburg City Council Proceedings  
Monday, February 22, 2016  
6:00 PM

The Emmetsburg City Council met on the above date in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Myrna Hedding presiding and the following council members answering the roll call: Bill Burdick Jr., Todd Bell, Ryan Berkland, Brian Campbell and Brian Malm. Absent was Mike Hermansen.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motions carried to adopt the agenda and to approve the following consent agenda: previous minutes of February 8, 2016, January 2016 financial statements, Class C liquor license (5 day) – Holy Family Parish and Class C liquor license, living quarters, outdoor service & Sunday sales – The Office.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Shane Paskert questioned why snow was removed on a Saturday with Public Properties Director Frank Kliegl stating that his department is doing the best job they can and Kliegl feels they owe it to the community to keep the streets clear.

Margay Grose questioned when the public would have opportunities to ask questions regarding the upcoming budget. It was explained that any questions could be asked at City Hall or at the city council public hearing on March 14, 2016.

Grose also questioned the rescheduling of a telecommunications meeting with Bird explaining that would have to be addressed to the Emmetsburg Municipal Utilities board.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

City Administrator John Bird requested direction on cash renting the proposed campground site, advertising for building inspector position and removal of pop can donation cage. It was the consensus of the council to advertise the proposed campground site for cash rent, advertise for building inspector position and to remove the cage, discontinue accepting pop can donation.

Public Properties Director Frank Kliegl stated that they are currently taking applications for a crewman and hopes to start interviewing soon to fill the position.

**CHAMBER DIRECTOR REPORT**

Chamber Director Deb Hite reminded those present of the annual chamber banquet to be held on Friday, February 26, 2017 at The Shores community center starting at 6:00 PM.

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

There were no standing committees to report on.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Motion carried to table directing administration to initiate proceedings to create a joint community center-golf board replacing the existing separate boards until the September 26, 2016 city council meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion carried to approve setting a public hearing for March 14, 2016 at 6:00 PM for the fiscal year 2016-2017 budget.

Motion carried to Home Base Iowa incentives which include the following:

- waiving building permit fees
- discounted child care of .25 cents for one child at 45 hours per week with a maximum amount of \$585 per year

- Application for \$5,000 housing assistance
- Tax abatements were applicable,
- Free garbage & recycling fees for one year
- Membership to either Five Island Golf or Smith Wellness Center with the purchase of either

**ADJOURN**

With no further discussion to come before the council the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Myrna Hedding

Attest:

City Clerk Kimberly Kibbie