

Emmetsburg City Council Proceedings
Monday, May 22, 2017
6:00 PM

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion carried to adopt the agenda as presented with the following consent agenda: previous minutes of May 8, 2017; April 2017 Financial Report; FY 2017-18 Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Permit- Dyno's #29, Casey's General Store #1684 & Hometown Convenience; Special Class C Liquor License & Sunday Sales – Brookstone Lodge & Suites; PACGDC Home Ownership Grant – Amy Fries, 501 Grand Ave.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Mayor Myrna Hedding reminded the public not to mow their grass clippings into the street as it causes problems for our storm sewers.

City Administrator John Bird updated the council on the new bill passed by the Iowa Legislature allowing for the sale and use of certain types of fireworks. Bird stated that the law prohibits local governments from regulating the sale of these fireworks, but local governments can prohibit the use. Bird stated that if the council takes no action, the fireworks that can now be legally sold in Iowa could not be used under the City's current ordinance.

Discussion was held on the fireworks ordinance and it was decided to look into the ordinance further and liability related to fireworks usage.

Public Properties Director Frank Kliegl said he has narrowed down which street repairs will be done this summer. Kliegl also stated that he has been working with the county on options for repairing 17th street.

STANDING COMMITTEES

There were no standing committees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Patrick Reding's Attorney Thomas Lipps gave a background on the Reding/Wallace property and proposed improvements.

Motion carried to grant an extension on the demolition of the Wallace/Reding home to July 10, 2017 and re-evaluate what action should be taken at that time.

NEW BUSINESS

Following a public hearing, motion failed to deny the first reading of Ordinance No. 571 – An Ordinance Amending Section 167.09(2) B of the City Code by Adding Automotive Washing as a Special Exception.

It was introduced, seconded and carried to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 571 – An Ordinance Amending Section 167.09(2) B of the City Code of Emmetsburg, IA by Adding Automotive Washing as a Special Exception Use.

Motion failed to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance No. 571 and will be placed on the next agenda for consideration.

Motion carried to approve the tree removal request – Dr.Justin Burns, Burns
Chiropractic.

Motion carried to deny the Shamrock Recycling contract for cardboard material removal.

Motion carried to approve setting a public hearing for 6:00 PM on June 12, 2017 for
proposed nuisance ordinance.

Motion carried to approve RIDES contract for transportation services for FY 2017-18.

Motion carried to approve police officer Brian Mehan's resignation.

Motion carried to authorize the hiring of full time police officer.

ADJOURN

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

Mayor Myrna Hedding

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk Megan Jones