

Emmetsburg City Council Proceedings
Monday, March 26, 2018
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: Brian Malm, Todd Bell, Brian Campbell, Bill Burdick Jr. and Mike Hermansen. Ryan Berkland was absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion carried to adopt the agenda as presented with the following consent agenda: previous minutes of March 12, 2018 & March 20, 2018; February 2018 Financial Reports; Class E Liquor License & Sunday Sales – Wild Rose Emmetsburg LLC; Class C Liquor License & Sunday Sales – Wild Rose Emmetsburg LLC; Class B Liquor License, Class B Wine Permit, Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales – Wild Rose Emmetsburg LLC; Class B Beer Permit, Class C Beer Permit & Sunday Sales – Shopko Hometown #201; PACGDC Home Ownership Grant – Carissa Fay, 2505 - 8th St.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilmember Campbell thanked the Public Properties Department for their work on the snow removal, especially in the downtown area.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Mayor Hedding also thanked the Public Properties Department for the snow removal.

City Administrator Travis Cooke asked for direction for the use of fireworks in Emmetsburg. Cooke asked that the council review the sample ordinance he provided to them and noted that the City cannot ban the sale but can limit the use of fireworks. The fireworks ordinance will be added to the April 9, 2018 agenda to be reviewed.

Cooke also stated that he met with the Planning and Zoning Commission to discuss updates to the zoning ordinance and the commission had no problem with the changes.

Police Chief Ryan Veldboom reported that St. Patrick's weekend went well but the parade had more attendees than expected. The attempted murder was also a serious event that weekend but it was not related to the St. Patrick's events. Councilmember Hermansen asked if there is an ordinance against open containers on the sidewalk. Veldboom said there is but there is not enough staff to control it and their main goal during the parade is to protect the public.

Public Properties Director Frank Kliegl said he has some local individuals interested in purchasing our packer when we purchase a replacement. Kliegl also said Tim O'Leary and Kory Hagen helped with the snow removal.

Economic Development Director Darrick Young stated that he has a lead on the former Alco building and has also spoken to a fireworks dealer interested in selling in the former Alco parking lot.

STANDING COMMITTEES

There were no standing committees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

It was introduced, seconded and carried to approve Resolution No. 18-07 – A Resolution of the Emmetsburg City Council to Request the Assistance of Northwest Iowa Planning & Development Commission – Zoning Update.

Motion carried to approve zoning ordinance/zoning map/subdivision regulation ordinance update agreement with Northwest Iowa Planning & Development Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion carried to approve setting a public hearing for 6:00 PM on April 9, 2018 for FY 2017-18 budget amendments.

Motion carried to approve agreement with MidAmerican Energy for refundable advance for construction overhead electric service extension – Five Island Campground cabins.

Motion carried to approve agreement with IDOT for use of local roads during railroad crossing repairs.

Following a discussion on delinquent Community Center pledges, motion carried to approve forwarding a recommendation to the fundraising committee to give final notice within the next ten days to delinquent pledges and notify that the major donor plaque will be redone if funding is not received by June 30, 2018.

Motion carried to approve Police Reserve Supervisor Officer Trent Nelson's recommendation to appoint Daniel J Reedy to the Emmetsburg Police Reserves.

Motion carried to approve Mayor's and Emmetsburg Volunteer Fire Department's recommendation to re-appoint Frank Kliegl as Fire Chief.

Motion carried to approve Emmetsburg Volunteer Fire Department's recommendation to re-appoint Judd Duhn as Assistant Fire Chief.

City Administrator John Bird announced that this was his last council meeting and he appreciated the opportunity to serve the Council and their predecessors. Bird stated that he is grateful Emmetsburg has become his home. Bird continued that without exception, the current Council and Mayor are the best he has served with and appreciated their commitment to the community.

ADJOURN

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

Mayor Myrna Hedding

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk Megan Jones