

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, July 16, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Schwenker called the regular session of the Maquoketa City Council to order with six members present.

Present: Kean, Baker, Lyon, Collister, Kuhlman, Barker Absent: Orris

The group recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Kuhlman approving the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, July 2nd minutes, bills, monthly financial reports, tree trimmer license filed by Countryside Landscaping, update to wine permit & Sunday sales filed by Farmer's Creek Antiques, LLC, renewal of liquor license, Sunday sales and outdoor sales filed by Timer Lanes Bowling and new class "C" liquor license, Sunday sales and outdoor sales filed by Jackson County Fair Association. Motion Carried 6-0

Tom Gilmore spoke in the audience portion of the meeting regarding the Platt Street Project. As the owner of T&J Manufacturing he is concerned with access to his business during construction. He stated he can't operate one day without access to his building and he requested Council assure him access.

Mayor Schwenker stated the City demonstrated with the Main Street Project that the City will work with property owners and there would be access to businesses. He stated it may not always be ideal but it would work.

Gilmore questioned what amenities will be added to make the grant more favorable and Schwenker stated the bike trail and the fiber optic cable will count.

Schwenker stated the solution may be to run a gravel street from Maple to T&J Manufacturing. Gilmore stated if the City would pay for this it would be okay and it would be possible for the abutting businesses to use it.

Randy Johnson spoke regarding the Spirit Organization and said he is working on a business plan and looking at properties to buy.

Matt Notz thanked the Council for all of their hard work and thanked them for the opportunity to serve the community.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving Resolution No. 2018-26, entitled, "Resolution Accepting WWTF Vertical Screen Improvements Project As Complete And Authorizing Payment Of Retainage In The Amount Of \$8,083.85 To F.L. Krapfl Inc., On August 16, 2018."

Motion Carried 6-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving pay request #4 in the amount of \$150,606.24 submitted by Dave Schmitt Construction for the North 2nd Street Project.

Motion Carried 6-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Barker approving pay request #2 in the amount of \$71,074.90 submitted by Dave Schmitt Construction for the Bank Alley Improvement Project.

Motion Carried 5-0-1 Abstain: Collister

Smith explained that the bidding process was started over for the 5th Ward Park Tennis Court Project and the Skatepark Project.

Ellenz reported that bids will be due on July 31st and Council will award the bid on August 6th.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Kuhlman to reject bids for 5th Ward Park Tennis Court Project and start the bidding process over. Motion Carried 6-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Barker to reject bids for the Skatepark Project and start the bidding process over. Motion Carried 6-0

Smith explained the following ordinance would establish an advisory board to guide the Airport Commission with marketing strategies. Collister stated he thought the Airport Commission made these decisions and Smith responded that the Commission needs help from the community.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Baker approving the first reading of Ordinance No. 1143, entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11 (Airport Commission) Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Maquoketa, Iowa, To Create A Maquoketa Airport Advisory Board."

Motion Carried 6-0

Motion by Kuhlman, seconded by Baker suspending the rules and proceeding to the second and third reading of Ordinance 1143, entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11 (Airport Commission) Of The Code Of Ordinance Of The City Of Maquoketa, Iowa, To Create A Maquoketa Airport Advisory Board."

Motion Carried 6-0

Motion by Barker, seconded by Lyon approving the second reading of Ordinance #1143.

Motion Carried 6-0

Motion by Baker, seconded by Kuhlman approving the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 1143, entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11 (Airport Commission) Of The Code Of Ordinance Of The City Of Maquoketa, Iowa, To Create A Maquoketa Airport Advisory Board."

Motion Carried 6-0

Schwenker reported that the City has received support from the Governor and Senators regarding the Build Grant form Platt Street. He stated if the City receives the Build grant the City would be committed to the local match. He stated if the City is approved for the Grant there would be no backing out of the project.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kean approving Resolution No. 2018-27, entitled, "Resolution For City of Maquoketa In Support Of The Department Of Transportation National Infrastructure Investments –

Better Utilizing Investments To Leverage Development (Build) Transportation Discretionary Grant Application For The Iowa 64 (Platt Street Corridor) Maquoketa Transformation Project.”

Motion Carried 5-1 Nay: Collister

Smith explained that Council would need to hold a public hearing regarding easements for the Hollander Project. Motion By Lyon, seconded by Baker approving Resolution No. 2018-28, entitled, “Resolution Proposing Granting Of Easements And Setting Public Hearing.”

Motion Carried 5-1 Nay: Collister

Nic Hockenberry spoke regarding the Great Places Grant on behalf of the County for the 2nd phase of the Hurstville Trail Project. The County would have to provide the match for this. The second option to apply for would be the Goodenow Field Project. Again, this would be no match provided by the City, the Friends of The Goodenow Field would provide the match. The City is the applicant but there would be no match provided by the City. Council members agreed there was no reason not to do it.

Motion by Barker, seconded by Kean approving Mayoral appointment of Lyn Bopes to the Library Board.

Motion Carried 6-0

Schwenker spoke regarding the possibility of amending the City ordinance as it relates to fireworks and possibly reducing the number of days allowed to set off fireworks.

The Fire Chief had provided a letter regarding the length of time also. This was referred to the Public Safety Committee.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Barker adjourning at 7:45 p.m.

All Ayes

Don Schwenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gerald Smith, City Manager