

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 4, 2019—7:00pm
City Hall

Mayor Schwenker called the Maquoketa City Council meeting to order at 7:07pm with seven members present.

Present: Kean, Baker, Lyon, Collister, Kuhlman, Barker, Horan

The group recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Collister, second by Kuhlman approving the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, minutes from the January 21, 2019 regular meeting, bills, Renewal of Class "E" Liquor License and Sunday Sales Filed by KJ's Convenience & Deli, and Event Application Filed by Maquoketa Firefighters Association for Fireball 2019. Motion Carried 7-0

Richard Eugene Stimmel thanked the City and other entities for providing warming center during the extreme cold weather. He apologized for missing the Public Hearing for Property Maintenance Board Public Input Meeting. He would like to suggest that the person hired needs to be trained by the state, update ordinances and learn them completely. He would also like the Council to be sure tenant rights are considered. He would like also to remember that we need to give people a hand up not a hand out.

Steve Gisel, a member of Property Maintenance Committee, said he would like Council to support the request for a Property Maintenance director. He said there was support for a person at the public hearing. He said if anyone has questions on what to do or where the program is going, let them know.

Wendy McCartt, Maquoketa Chamber, said the Chamber fully supports property maintenance and would like to especially see the entryway corridors cleaned up.

Motion by Lyon, second by Kuhlman approving the second reading of Ordinance No. 1149, entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Title 6, Chapter 3, Section 4, Pertaining to Sewer and Storm Sewer Billing Rates, Of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Maquoketa, Iowa. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion Horan, second by Kean approving the second reading of Ordinance No. 1150, entitled, "An Ordinance Amending Title 6, Chapter 4, Section 18, Pertaining to Water Utility Billing Rates, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Maquoketa, Iowa. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, second by Barker approving Resolution 2019-8 entitled, "Resolution Extending Agreement and Contract for Fire Protection for Maquoketa Township. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, second by Barker approving Resolution 2019-9 entitled, "Resolution Approving Maquoketa Fire Department Officers. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Lyon, second by Kean setting Monday, February 18, 2019 as Public Hearing Date Regarding Jackson county Regional Health Center/Lubben Voluntary Annexation. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Barker, second by Lyon approving Resolution 2019-10 entitled, "Resolution Setting Dates of a Consultation and a Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment No. 2 to the Maquoketa Amended and Restated Unified Urban Renewal Plan in the city of Maquoketa, State of Iowa. Motion Carried 7-0

Horan updated the Council on what's happening with the Parks Board. He said there has been progress with the Dog Park grant writing. They have also been discussing the future of Lisa and Crawford Parks. Horan said Crawford Park is actually a platted street that was never developed. Schwenker said the new thing at parks is racing remote control cars. Horan said 5th Ward Park would be a good site for that. Schwenker said there are about 60-70 people that attend the racing in Dubuque. He said he and Scott Warren are working on visioning for the parks. The estimated cost of a handicap park would be \$80,000 (\$59,000 for equipment and \$21,000 concrete). Kuhlman is seeking funding for the skate park. Fencing for the ballparks is in the upcoming schedule. Tennis court resurfacing is coming up.

Motion by Collister, second by Horan adjourning at 7:25pm.

Don Schwenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gerald Smith, City Manager