

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, January 20, 2020

Mayor Schwenker called the regular session of the Maquoketa City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. with seven members present. Present: Kean, Woodward, Lyon, Collister, Kuhlman, Barker, Holm

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Barker, seconded by Kuhlman approving the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, January 6, regular minutes, bills, December monthly financial reports, renewal class "E" liquor license filed by Fareway Stores, Inc. #639, renewal class "C" beer license filed by Dollar General Store #2295.

Motion Carried 7-0

Mayor Schwenker gave the State of the City address.

Schwenker stated that the large project the City is working on right now is the Platt Street Project, but there are many other projects that the City is now involved in. Among them are the Pocket Neighborhood, Nutrient removal and the water plant as a whole, Public Works, The Upper story project, Façade program, Clinton Engines site, Building Code Committee, Western/Summit property, Hospital redevelopment, Corridor business, and 110 S Main, a new 5 year plan for after the Platt Street Project is completed.

All of these are on top of the day to day operations of the City.

In the audience portion of the meeting Gary Drew wanted to thank The City, Alliance Water, and Jeff Bodenhofer in particular for helping him with a sewer problem that he had.

McCartt gave the Chamber of Commerce quarterly report.

She stated that the new tier membership has been rolled out. 2019 had 32 new members with a retention rate of 95% of old members. The Chamber partnered with other cities to provide workshops that could be helpful to business owners. She also mentioned that she has met with businesses impacted by the Platt Street Project.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving the second reading of Ordinance No. 1163-"An ordinance amending title III, chapter 19, licensing and inspection of rental property of the City code of ordinances".

Motion Carried 7-0

Discussion concerning the resolution regarding all-terrain vehicles and off-road utility vehicles. Schwenker stated that this change would make the City rules match the County rules. With times now being from 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. If the County makes any further changes those changes would automatically be changed at the City level.

Kean stated that at an earlier Public Safety meeting it was discussed that this resolution should eventually become an ordinance with more teeth to it.

Schwenker stated that at this time, they are talking about a resolution.

Holm question whether the change would require a change in insurance.

Schwenker stated that the vehicles would have to be licensed and insured like any other vehicle. That is a County issue.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Woodward approving Resolution 2020-03 entitled "Resolution Regarding All-Terrain Vehicles and Off-Road Utility Vehicles".

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kean approving Resolution 2020-04 entitled "Resolution Setting Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. as Public Hearing Date Regarding Maximum Property Tax Levy for City of Maquoketa FY 2020/2021 Budget".

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kean approving December invoice from Bolton & Menk in the amount of \$75,303.26 for Platt Street preliminary design.

Motion Carried 6-1      Nay-Collister

Motion by Collister, seconded by Kean approving Resolution 2020-05 entitled "Resolution Approving the Collection of Payment for City Costs to Abate Nuisances and Enforce Ordinances".

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister approving McClure Engineering January Invoice in the amount of \$4,433.56 for the Airport Runway Lighting Project.

Motion Carried 7-0

Discussion was held concerning IIW's Storm Water System Improvements. Mark Rudin and Andy Guetkin of IIW gave a presentation concerning the improvements. The cost of the project would be approximately \$2,861,000.00. 80% of the project would be eligible for the grant. This would leave approximately \$600,000.00 left for the City to worry about.

Smith stated that the City has several options for paying off the \$600,000.00. Some could be grants and some could be loans.

Schwenker stated that the City currently has to borrow some pumps from Jackson County and the Corp of Engineers when necessary.

Rudin stated that If the project goes ahead, it would be completed in November of 2022.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister approving IIW's Storm Water System Improvements preliminary engineering report and authorizing ECIA to submit the EDA Disaster Grant Application with supporting engineering report.

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Kean approving Resolution 2020-06 entitled "Resolution Approving Maquoketa Fire Department Officers".

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Kean approving Resolution 2020-07 entitled "Resolution Approving Fees and Charges for City Equipment and Services".

Motion Carried 7-0

Discussion was held concerning the submission of Community Catalyst Building Remediation Grant pre-application for Mitchell-Maskrey Reuse project.

Dave Heiar explained the project. They would be working with Moore Family Farms. The 1<sup>st</sup> floor would contain retail and commercial space and a café. The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor would be for events. The top floor would have two apartments. The metal building would be used for making cheese. The City Match would be \$100,000.00. If this grant is approved. The project may have to be done in two phases and several funding sources are being looked at.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon authorizing submission of Community Catalyst Building Remediation Grant pre-application for Mitchell-Maskrey Reuse project.

Motion Carried 7-0

During the Managers Report Smith mentioned that Imagine the Possibilities will no longer be doing recycling after this summer. He would like to have some discussion on City trash pick up and recycling.

Schwenker stated that in the past it had been discussed requiring trash haulers in Maquoketa to pick up recycling as well. Should this go to the Public Works committee and Property Maintenance committee.

It was the consensus of the Council to send the item to Public Works.

During the Council report, Kuhlman thanked Public Works for putting up basketball hoops.

Schwenker stated that the building task force would include Mark Beck, Matt Winegar, Scott Wirth, Jarod Manning, and Doug Schnoor.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kean approving Mayoral appointment of members to the building code task force.

Motion Carried 7-0

Discussion was held regarding a possible budget meeting on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. It was the consensus for the Council to have the meeting at this time. Woodward was not sure if he could rearrange his schedule.

Motion by Kuhlman, seconded by Woodward adjourning at 8:07 p.m.

All Ayes

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Don Schwenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Gerald Smith, City Manager