

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, April 15, 2019

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

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Barker, seconded by Kuhlman approving the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, April 1st regular minutes, bills, monthly financial report for March, renewal of class "C" liquor license, Sunday sales and outdoor sales filed by Bill's Tavern Inc., renewal of solid waste collector application filed by Barnette Hauling. Motion Carried 7-0

Mayor Schwenker opened the public hearing regarding the status of funded activities under the CDBG #16-HSG-001 housing rehabilitation program.

Elizabeth Kemp of ECIA spoke regarding the program. The City's \$25,000.00 matching funds did not have to be used.

The program was for six houses. Four houses are completed. One house is out to bid and should be finished by the end of June. There will not be a sixth house. Two applicants income went up beyond the requirements and one applicant opted out.

The state will be here on May 1st to monitor the program. Diane will provide necessary documents. This should only take a couple of hours.

Smith questioned whether there will be another program coming up that the City could apply for.

Kemp stated that Maquoketa would be considered for another program before this program is complete. It will be several months before the possibility of a new program comes up. She didn't think that Maquoketa would be dinged for not completing the 6th house because the reasons were beyond the City's control.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Barker closing the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. Motion Carried 7-0

Mayor Schwenker opened the public hearing regarding adoption of City of Maquoketa code of ordinances.

There were no comments concerning this issue.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kean closing the public hearing at 7:09 p.m. Motion Carried 7-0

In the audience portion of the meeting, Frank Ellenz stated that the City will be resurfacing Main from Maple to Summit and specific spots on Summit this summer.

Also in the audience portion of the meeting, Wendy McCartt gave a report on Chamber happenings.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Barker approving the first reading of Ordinance No. 1152, entitled, "An Ordinance Adopting The City Code Of Ordinances." Motion Carried 7-0

Discussion was held concerning the proposal to purchase G O notes series 2019A.

Kuhl from Northland explained that the bonds went to market this week. The City's Moody rating is A-2.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Barker approving Resolution No. 2019-40, entitled, "Resolution Directing The Acceptance Of A Proposal To Purchase \$3,900,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2019A." Motion Carried 6-1 Nay-Collister

Discussion was held concerning changing the fireworks ordinance.

Koranda explained the changes. The time went from June 24th - July 8th to July 1-7. With the time on the 4th going to 11:00 p.m. and all other days until 10:00 p.m. These are in line with state regulations.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Kuhlman approving the motion to change the Fireworks Ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0

Discussion was held concerning adopting guidelines for small cell facilities.

Smith stated that this was referring to 5G. These would have to be approximately every 500 ft. If these guidelines are not passed by April 15, 2019, there would be no local control.

Motion by Kuhlman, seconded by Lyon approving Resolution No. 2019-41, entitled, "Resolution Adopting Guidelines For Small Cell Facilities." Motion Carried 7-0

Discussion was held concerning a grant application filed by Robert Mitchell for property at 120 E Pleasant St.

Hockenberry discussed the application for a consulting grant for the Mitchell Maskery Bldg. This is the Old Mill building. There may be an interested prospect.

Smith stated that the City has first right of refusal before the property is sold.

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving the motion regarding consultant grant application filed by Robert Mitchell for property at 120 E Pleasant St. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Barker, seconded by Kuhlman approving Resolution No. 2019-42, entitled, "Resolution Fixing Date For A Public Hearing On The Proposal To Enter Into A Development Agreement With 563 Maq., LLC." Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Barker accepting gift in the amount of \$8,840 from Maquoketa Firefighters Association for Danko 250 gallon stock XL skid unit. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Barker, seconded by Kean approving Resolution No. 2019-43, entitled, "Resolution Setting Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. As Public Hearing Date Regarding Budget Amendment For FY 2018-2019 Budget." Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Barker approving final pay request in the amount of \$11,975 submitted by C&R Constructions LLC for rehab at 315 S Main St. Motion Carried 7-0

Baker stated that he had received several calls about the building of an RC Park. He told callers that it was being discussed, but no decision had been made.

Barker stated that there was going to be a Parks meeting on Thursday at 5:15 that people with concerns or suggestions should come to.

There was some discussion concerning the sale of Crawford Park. Could this park be used for a RC Park?

Horan stated that Crawford wouldn't work for the RC park because there are no utilities there. Perhaps the west side of Grove Street ball park could be used as there are utilities there.

More discussion on this topic will be held at the Parks meeting on Thursday.

Motion by Barker, seconded by Kuhlman adjourning at 7:47 p.m. All Ayes

Don Schwenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gerald Smith, City Manager