

**COUNCIL MEETING 17-11
JUNE 12, 2017**

The City Council met in Council Chambers at 6:00 PM with the Mayor calling the meeting to order and the following answering to roll call:

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| Andy Koehler | Council Member |
| Deann Schweitzer | Council Member |
| Mike Yaklich | Council Member |
| Steve Faber | Council Member |
| Steve Looney | Mayor |

Council Member Schweitzer made a motion at 6:01 PM to adjourn to executive session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss personnel. Council Member Yaklich seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

The executive session was adjourned at 6:27 PM on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Faber. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

The Council Meeting resumed at 7:00 PM with Mayor Looney announcing that Council was reconvening following a closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss personnel.

News media present was as follows:

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| Will Buss | Star Courier |
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The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mayor Looney asked for a moment of silence for our troops still fighting overseas.

Mayor Looney explained that the next items were placed on the consent agenda and were considered to be routine in nature to be passed as a whole with one vote of the Council. Mayor Looney requested that any member of the Council or the audience wishing to have an item removed from the consent agenda for individual consideration to make the request and the item would be removed and considered following the approval of the remaining consent items. The consent agenda included minutes from the May 22, 2017 Council Meeting and payroll for the pay period ending May 27, 2017 in the amount of \$202,141.22, reports from Code Enforcement, ESDA, Finance & Administration, and Police Department. The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Faber. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Bills submitted for approval totaling \$503,840.36 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Koehler. Council Member Yaklich questioned the invoice from Ratliff for the Ninth Street sewer repair work. City Manager Bradley explained the large scope of the project. Council Member Koehler questioned if the payment to CMT was the last of the chloride issue. City Manager Bradley stated that we were waiting for a response from the IEPA. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Mayor Looney asked if anyone wished to speak. Robert Kuntz reported that he had been in contact with the City Manager and Mayor regarding some issues at the depot. He was happy to note that his concerns were taken seriously and action was taken to correct them. He wanted residents to know they had a voice. There being no other requests Mayor Looney moved on to new business.

NEW BUSINESS

Gene Norber and Daniel Schmidt from Economic Development Resources gave a presentation regarding TIF Incentives, Business District and Enterprise Zones. The presentation included examples of how the three incentives can work together to assist in economic development.

Resolution #5056 designating Speer Financial Inc. as a financial advisor for the City of Kewanee and authorizing the City Manager to execute engagement letters in accordance with the City's Procurement Policy was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Koehler. City Manager Bradley explained that the use of a financial advisor is a recommended best practice by the Government Finance Officers Association. The financial advisor would be used on an on call basis when they would be needed. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3887 establishing the prevailing wage rate of wages for Laborers, Workmen and Mechanics employed on Public Works for the City of Kewanee was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5057 to authorize the temporary closure of Second & Main Streets, US Route 34 and State Hwy 78 for the annual Hog Days Parade was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Faber. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Yaklich noted the upcoming Concerts in the Park starting on June 22, and continuing for ten weeks. He urged residents to attend the concerts.

Council Member Faber noted the continuing problem with grass in the streets. Police Chief Ainley noted that they would respond to any complaint made to them regarding the issue.

Council Member Schweitzer commented that residents could also be neighborly and talk with their neighbors regarding the grass in the streets. She also congratulated retired Chief Dison and welcomed Chief Ainley. She also noted the nice event recently held to recognize Marshall Jones.

Council Member Koehler noted the recurring problems at the train station. He also noted an open hole on Cambridge Road for a water repair. He suggested that the hole be filled with rock for the weekend.

Mayor Looney thanked everyone involved with the city wide cleanup. He also noted the barbecue event over the weekend, and encouraged everyone to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There being no further business, Council Member Schweitzer moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Faber seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

MELINDA EDWARDS, CITY CLERK

DATE APPROVED