

CITY OF EVART
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 6, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Carlson, Foster, Keysor, Elliott, Joyce.

Heather Pattee, City Clerk. Sarah Dvoracek, City Treasurer/Assessor. Zackary Szakacs, City Manager. Mark Wilson, DPW Director. Jim White, City Attorney, Chief Beam.

Absent: None.

Guest: Vanessa Jones, Brian Fortune, Diane Carlson, Lane Johnston, Alyssa Rosebrugh, Bryan Tiedt, Mike Fulton, Ryan Douglas, Miranda Lorenz, Kevinn Beemer, Larry Lauman, Jim Swab, Sandy Szeliga, Karen Higgins, Terri Parish, Kate Bradley, Ronald Porter, Travis Douglas.

Citizens Comments: Kevinn Beemer asked if City council meetings will start being held at the depot again. Vanessa Jones asked if putting dehumidifiers at the depot would help with the mold issue.

Amendments to the Agenda: 1.) Resolution for ballot language on unfinished business.

Motion moved by Keysor supported by Foster to approve the agenda with additions. Motion passed.

Motion moved by Elliott supported by Joyce to approve the minutes for the July 16, 2018 meeting. Motion passed.

LDFA: Their meeting will be held on the 15th, and have been working on the C-3 for the Evart Promise.

DDA: Bryan Tiedt, director thanked everyone who filled out the survey, and the next Michigan Main Street meeting will be held in September.

Unfinished Business: 1.) Zackary Szakacs will contact TerraNavigator/Landfill/Solar Lease Agreement and decline their bid. 2.) The building inspector will be tabled.

Mayor Keysor called for a closed session regarding the City Managers contract at 7:21 p.m.

Attending will be Caleb Keysor, Zackary Szakacs, City Manager. Sarah Dvoracek, City Treasurer/Assessor. Mark Wilson, DPW Director. Jim White, City Attorney, and Chief Beam.

Roll Call: Carlson, Foster, Keysor, Elliott, Joyce.

The regular council meeting was called back to order at 7:57 p.m.

2.) Motion moved by Keysor supported by Foster to extend Zackary Szakacs contract until December 31, 2019. Motion passed.

Roll Call: Ayes: Joyce, Elliott, Carlson, Foster, Keysor Nays: 0

3.) Motion moved by Keysor supported by Foster to appoint Sarah Dvoracek as assistant city manager. Motion passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Elliott, Keysor, Foster, Carlson, Joyce Nays: 0

4.) Motion moved by Keysor supported by Elliott to approve the resolution to amend the language on the ballot in November regarding the Charter. Motion passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Keysor, Foster, Carlson, Joyce, Elliott Nays: 0

New Business: 1.) Utility billing adjustment request for 211 N. Pine St. has been rejected. 2.) Motion moved by Foster supported by Joyce to approve a sewer credit for 428 N. Pine St. Motion passed. 3.) Motion moved by Keysor supported by Foster to approve the recommendation of the water and sewer committee to raise the water rates by 3% annually for the next five years, and 5% sewer annually for the next five years. Motion passed.

City Treasurer/Assessor: Motion moved by Foster supported by Keysor to approve the vendors list in the amount of \$ 39,715.94. Motion passed.

City Manager: 1.) Fire board is requesting the presence of the Council members at the August 14th meeting.

Police Department: FYI National night out is Tuesday August 7th.

Department of Public Works: 1.) Motion moved by Keysor supported by Foster to have Mark Wilson DPW Director purchase a snow removal truck with the addition of taking a mechanic with him to look at the truck before purchase, in the amount of \$ 68,900.00 Motion passed.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Foster, Keysor, Joyce Nays: Carlson, Elliott

City Attorney: None.

Citizens Comments: Venessa Jones questioned with the new snow removal truck if the roads will be clearer. Another citizen questioned where the money from the ready to serve fees goes in the budget.

Motion moved by Keysor supported by Elliott to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. Motion passed.