

July 2, 2018

The Keota City Council met on July 2, 2018, in the city hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 P.M. by Mayor Anthony Cansler.

Council Members answering roll call were Matt Greiner, Keith Conrad, and Mike Bender. Scott Westendorf arrived at 8:41 p.m. Rod Hill was absent. Employees present were Tomisha Hammes and Officer Doug Conrad. Also in attendance was Dan Flynn, Mary Pat Redlinger, Jade Redlinger, Kathy Davis, Corey Greiner, Andy Conrad, Denny Lyle, Tiffany Kirby, Nathan Kirby, Ashton Kirby, Kim Cansler, Cason Jaeger, Claire Jaeger, Joseph Heath, Austin Bayliss, Joe Baumert, Denny Baumert, Judy Baumert, Amanda Lammers, Anthony Morris, Athena Stanley, Alex Lozano, Haley Stanley, Brooklyn Lammers, JoJo Heath, Ethan Heath, Cody Heath, Patty Tinnes, Jim Tinnes, Anthony Jackson, Sarah Wilcox, Morgan Wilson - *The Keota Eagle*.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to approve the agenda. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Citizens Comments: Joseph Heath addressed the council in regards to an incident that happened with his dog allegedly attacking a goat within the city limits. Officer Conrad received statements that the goat had been injured by the dog owned by Mr. Heath. Officer Conrad gave Joe Heath 3 weeks to relocate the dog that attacked the goat. Mr. Heath presented documentation from neighbors and friends about the dog's demeanor. A letter from a therapist was also included stating that the dog is an emotional support dog. Mayor Cansler explained to the Heath family that he will talk with Officer Conrad about the situation before making any decisions about the dog. Denny Lyle updated the council on the KeWash Trailhead. He stated that the shelter is complete and wiring is done. The next steps in the process are to get a permanent entrance sign and pave/light the first few hundred feet of the trail. There are talks about having a ribbon cutting ceremony in late August, early September to recognize those that made the KeWash Trailhead possible. Dan Flynn asked Officer Conrad if there is a law against fireworks in Keota. Officer Conrad stated that there is an ordinance against fireworks in Keota. If people are setting off fireworks then they are to call Keokuk County Dispatch to get a hold of Officer Conrad about it.

Motion was made by Mike Bender to table the Public Works Report. Keith Conrad seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Officer Doug Conrad presented his Police Report. He had nineteen service calls/complaints. Two simple assault, one vandalism, three controlled substance, one mental, three assist and service, three attempt to locate, one lost and found, two misc. complaints, two dog/cat/misc. animal, one livestock. Motion was made by Keith Conrad to approve the Police Report. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Andy Conrad, Cloudburst9, was there to ask permission for Cloudburst to install a new electrical outlet for their battery pack on the water tower. The council agreed to the new outlet. Andy Conrad will have the Cloudburst9 attorney amend the current rental agreement to add in the electrical usage to the rental fee to present to the council.

The Daycare Committee met with a potential builder to go over the cost estimates of the Keota Daycare. The next step will be to look into funding options. The committee will present to the council again once funding options are decided upon.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to approve the contract with Central Empire Wrestling for Friday, July 27, 2018. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

The Keota RAGBRAI Committee updated the council on the vendors that have filled out applications. Corey Greiner and Chad Sieren will take care of getting a couple of tractors on Broadway Avenue between Ellis and Fulton Street

for the day of RAGBRAI. Mayor Cansler and Mike Bender plan on getting the barricades set up early in the morning on July 27, 2018. They asked the city clerk to look into talking to Fairfield Organics about getting some blue barrels to barricade the streets and get some extra caution tape. The Keota City Hall office will be closed the day of RAGBRAI and the city clerk is to be out answering questions and helping out wherever needed.

The Pool Committee met with Myers Construction on Monday, July 2. The city clerk, Councilman Conrad, and Kevin Slaubaugh met with Blaine and Justin from Myers Construction at the pool to go over the state of the pool, get dimensions, and discuss the current equipment the current pool has. The Pool Committee then met with Justin and Blaine at Keota City Hall to get an overview of the options for a new pool. After much discussion, Myers Construction will put together a cost estimate to present to the Pool Committee for them to get an idea of what the cost may be for a new pool at the same location.

Discussion was held on the McDonald Boneyard. The Mayor stated that the city attorney responded to the questions the council had in regards to the Boneyard fire. It was decided that a full council would be needed to review what the attorney's comments were. Cansler will talk to Heath McDonald about the hours of operation as there have been complaints about the days and times that they are working.

Motion was made by Matt Greiner to approve Jacob Moeller as the new Library Board Member. Keith Conrad seconded the motion. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to approve the Payment of Bills. Matt Greiner seconded the motion. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Matt Greiner had to leave at 8:41 p.m. Scott Westendorf arrived to replace Greiner at 8:41 p.m.

Clerks/Council/Mayor Comments: City Clerk Tomisha Hammes requested the permission of the council to attend training for payroll, utility billing, and fund accounting for the software that the city uses. The council gave permission to attend the training classes. She presented a list of property complaints that she has received and asked to send letters to the property owners. Mayor Cansler stated to have the letters drawn up and contact a councilman to sign. If other complaints come up, the clerk is to just write up the letters and have a councilman sign them in the future. The clerk presented information about the new Water Excise Tax that is in effect as of July 1, 2018. The current water tax is subject to local option sales tax. The new Water Excise Tax does not allow local option sales tax to be collected. Mayor Cansler stated that he will meet and talk to Officer Conrad in more detail about the dog incident. He thanked the council and city employees for their time and effort put into all the different events and committees going on at this time.

Motion was made by Keith Conrad to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Mike Bender seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote. The next Keota City Council Meeting will take place on Monday, July 23, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. – note the change in date.

MAYOR ANTHONY CANSLER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK TOMISHA HAMMES

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