Sheldon, Iowa City Council April 18, 2018

The Sheldon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Katricia Meendering called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Pete Hamill, Shawn Broesder, Brad Hindt, Greg Geels, Tom Eggers. Also present: Sean Hutchison, Micah Schreurs, Todd Uhl, Lyle Bolkema, and Angela Beckman.

A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Hamill to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all.

Public Comments: None.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Eggers to approve the consent agenda with the following items:

* 1. Minutes of April 4, 2018, boards & commissions.
  2. Summary list of claims, boards & commissions.
  3. Financial reports for March, 2018.
  4. Approval of SCAT Director resignation, Tracy Gorter, and the team has appointed Kevin Miller to Director.

Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The O’Brien County Economic Development Director had to reschedule for May 16.

Kevin Miller, SCAT Director thanked Tracy Gorter for her years of service as Director and all of her guidance while he was transitioning into the full time EMT. He stated that the Emergency Plan is not something new, it has been updated. The last time it was updated was in 2011. They changed some verbiage and added the east side of town. Mayor Meendering stated, years ago, they received some emergency training, which she found very helpful and wondered if that would be possible again. Hindt stated that it is important for new Council to complete the NIMS course. Miller will look into these things. Geels stated that page 18 looks like a paragraph was cut off. Miller will look into that. A motion was made by Eggers and seconded by Hamill to approve the Sheldon Emergency Plan 2018 contingent upon correcting page 18. Geels asked if ALICE training or protocols for those situations should be included in this. Miller and Jared Johnson, O’Brien County Emergency Management will work to incorporate some protocols into this Plan or a separate one and that will be brought back at a later date. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Council received a proposal from Poppema-Sikma Construction and Fred’s Plumbing to purchase lots 5, 6, & 7 in Trilogy Addition for a total of $50,000. They stated that a couple of the lots will need extensive dirt work to eliminate drainage issues. The plan to build single family spec homes on the lots. Uhl stated that there was one lot in Schemper Addition that someone bought, they came to the Council with drainage issues, and the Council agreed to pay for fixing the drainage issue, and that cost was $6,720.84. Hindt stated that some other lots have sold for $22,000, and offered a counter offer to them for $22,000 each lot. Attorney Schreurs stated that a sale of these lots is not possible today. Council will need to set a date and time for a public hearing on the May 2, 2018 meeting, publish notice in the paper, then hold a public hearing to sell the lots on May 16, 2018. Discussion was held on Hutchison bartering with the Contractors. A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Hindt to proceed with selling lots 5, 6, & 7 of Trilogy Addition to Poppema-Sikma Construction and Fred’s Plumbing for $50,000 subject to the process of setting a date and time for a public hearing, publishing a notice and holding a public hearing. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Pete Crawford, Engineer for McClure Engineering was present for the plans & specifications on the Sheldon Regional Airport Snow Removal Equipment Building. Hutchison stated the engineers estimate on the project is $289,600, with the FAA paying 90%. Geels asked if the plans would include liquidated damages. Crawford stated yes, however the equipment currently is in a building so he didn’t think they would come into play. Crawford stated they will have a bid letting May 9, and award the contract on the May 16 Council meeting. A motion was made by Broesder and seconded by Hamill to approve Resolution R18-4407 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS ON THE SHELDON AIRPORT SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT BUILDING, SHELDON, IOWA. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hamill and seconded by Broesder to approve Resolution R18-4408 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUED FUNDING OF STATEWIDE REIMBURSEMENT OF COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUE. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Geels and Broesder to approve the Home Rule Proclamation. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried. This proclamation marks the 50th anniversary that granted local control to cities in Iowa.

A motion was made by Eggers and seconded by Hindt to approve Resolution R18-4409 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON $8,235,000 (DOLLAR AMOUNT SUBJECT TO CHANGE) SEWER REVENUE CAPITAL LOAN NOTE, SERIES 2018. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Hamill to approve the preliminary plat of Sheldon Crossroads North Business Park. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Broesder to set May 2, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. for a public hearing on rezoning Sheldon Crossroads North Business Park. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Eggers to set May 2, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. for a public hearing on rezoning Rustic Ridge Subdivision. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hamill and seconded by Broesder to set May 2, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. for a public hearing on the 16th Street Project. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Eggers and seconded by Geels to approve Ordinance O18-3233 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PROVISIONS OF SECTION 99.02 ELEMENTS OF CHARGE AND BY AMENDING PROVISIONS OF SECTION 99.04 BASIS FOR COST AND BY AMENDING SECTION 99.05 PERTAINING TO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES FOR JULY 2019 AND JANUARY 2020. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Broesder and seconded by Geels to approve payment of $19,000 to S&P Global Rating for a bond rating for the sewer revenue capital loan note. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Bolkema & Uhl gave staff reports.

Staff Comments: Hutchison commended the public works departments; there were power outages this past weekend from the storm and everyone worked well to keep the lift stations and wells working, so service was not interrupted to customers.

Council Comments: Geels stated there aren’t very many pictures on the City website. He also inquired if the Council would like to challenge the school to a softball game again. It was the consensus to do so.

Mayor Meendering stated that flags are on sale for spring cleanup, reminded people of the SCDC coffee on May 11 and the National Day of Prayer is May 3, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Geels to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. Roll call was taken. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Angela Beckman, City Clerk