

The Sheldon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Katricia Meendering called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Ron Rensink, Randy Fonkert, Brad Hindt, Greg Geels, and Zach Sawyer. Also present: Scott Wynja, Micah Schreurs, Todd Uhl, Lyle Bolkema, Curt Strouth, and Angela Beckman.

Public Comments: None

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

- a. Minutes of December 3, 2014, Geels noted that the date was incorrect on the minutes and will be changed, Boards and Commissions.
- b. Summary List of Claims, Additional as Presented, Boards and Commissions.
- c. Financial Reports of November, 2014.

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

The Council held the first reading of the Ordinance amending section 15.03 ("appointments") and section 30.06 ("peace officers selected"). A motion was made by Rensink and seconded by Geels to approve the first reading of AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SHELDON, IOWA, BY AMENDING THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS: SECTION 15.03 ("APPOINTMENTS") OF CHAPTER 15 ("MAYOR") PERTAINING TO THE APPOINTMENTS OF OFFICIALS; and SECTION 30.06 ("PEACE OFFICERS SELECTED") OF CHAPTER 30 ("POLICE DEPARTMENT") PERTAINING TO THE SELECTION OF THE PEACE OFFICERS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. Roll call was taken. Ayes, Sawyer, Hindt, Rensink, Geels, Fonkert. Motion carried.

City Manager Wynja explained that the City has the opportunity to apply for Region 3 Transportation Project to improve main thoroughfare roads, however funding would not be available until 2018-2019. He noted that 16th Street repairs are in the CIP for 2016-2017, so is asking for direction on how to proceed. Rensink feels that 16th Street is in need or being redone, not repaired in certain areas. He also feels that we should go back to the County Supervisors for participation in the 16th Street project. After discussion, it was the consensus to keep the 16th Street project in the CIP for 2016-2017, ask the County for participation in that project, and apply for the Region 3 Transportation Application for funding on street projects.

City Manager Wynja explained that the Council has before them a Sheldon Community Planning Survey that will be put out to citizens in the January utility bill to fill out and return. The Council also has a Survey that they are asked to fill out and return to the City Office. He also stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission will be meeting tomorrow, December 18, 2014 at 4:30 to discuss the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

There are some left over funds from the 2013 essential corporate bond for the park shelter house improvements, due to saving on labor by doing the work ourselves. Staff is asking to purchase a mower with the remaining \$12,800 in the current fiscal year, even though it is not budgeted for. A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Geels to approve payment for a new mower, using 2013 essential corporate bond funds in fiscal year 2014-2015. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Staff Comments: Uhl stated that DGR has started with engineering of the 5 outer downtown blocks. We hope to have the job out to bid in February or March. Wynja stated that there is a TIF application that will be brought to the SCDC and pending their approval, brought to the City Council.

Council Comments: Rensink asked how the recycling questionnaire is coming in. Wynja stated that we have had a lot of response and will compile the results and make them available to the Council in January. Geels asked about the progress of loading the Council meeting video to the website. It was noted that we purchased new camera and audio equipment, and the next step will be to record meetings digitally and upload them to the City website, hopefully in January. Rensink and Hindt thanked Derrick Vander Waal from Iowa Information for all his work he has done to cover the City of Sheldon. This will be the last meeting Derrick covers for the City. Fonkert wanted to thank all the City employees for all their hard work and wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

A motion was made by Fonkert and seconded by Hindt to adjourn at 4:50 p.m. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Angela Beckman, City Clerk