



**IDA GROVE
City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., July 5, 2017
City Hall**

Mayor Pro Tem Paul Cates calling the meeting to order at 6:20pm with the following Council Members present: Ryan Goodman, Paul Cates, Gregor Ernst, Scott Tomlinson and Doug Clough. Also, in attendance: City Attorney Goldsmith, City Administrator Dennison, Tony Bennett, Craig Rupert, Dennis Clausen, Janice Rupert, Rec Center Director Gross, and Jeff Gilbert.

Motion to approve the agenda by Scott Tomlinson, seconded by Ryan Goodman. Motion carries unanimously.

Janice Rupert talking about a bench for the ballfields. People were struggling to walk the distance and her husband Merle was one of them. She would like to see a bench in his memory located. Ryan Goodman discussing the placement of the bench. Debate regarding facing the bench to the west and the bench being longer than 4 feet with more traffic in the area. Concerns regarding irrigation system in the area. Talking about naming rights and plaques on benches in regards to the Kiwanis.

Motion to approve a bench on the West side of the path facing East, by Scott Tomlinson and seconded by Ryan Goodman. Motion carries unanimously.

Quick discussion about a Zobel's block party on August 19th. Amanda Eason was not able to make it. Doug Clough says she needs to have something in writing and someone needs to speak on the issue before the Council.

Jeff Gilbert discussing using the baseball fields for pickup baseball games. Rec Center Director Chelsea Gross talking about the issue. Ryan Goodman discussing maintenance of the fields and responsibility for cleanup. Chelsea and Ryan are debating using pitching machines and safety concerns. The pitching machines should be put in the shed. Jeff Gilbert is asking if the gates will be locked up. They will not be locked at present, but they will be locked on October 1st. Mr. Gilbert is asking about raking the field and wanting a key for the shed.

Tony Bennet of the Kiwanis Foundation is talking about the City's share of the baseball fields. He is discussing the history of the baseball field project and funding. He wants to see lights put up at the 3rd field. He wants to know where the City is at, is it prepared to run lines for the lights? Ryan Goodman and Peter Goldsmith debating the "city purpose" issue of funding. Ryan talking about lights at the ballfields and the city paying for them. Ryan recommends donating money to the Foundation over a period of time that would be amenable to both sides. City Attorney Peter Goldsmith discussing the situation regarding funding, timing and other items to support the light

project. Gregor Ernst asking if Ryan Goodman's proposal is ok to Kiwanis. Tony Bennet asking if the City Council can guarantee the amount that will be promised. Discussion of financing of future projects like the playground.

Motion by Ryan Goodman, second by Gregor Ernst for a four year \$25,000 per year pledge to the Kiwanis Foundation to build lights on the utility field. Motion carries unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- a. Claims List
- b. Financial Reports
- c. Liquor License –
 - 1.) Ida Bowl (100 Moorehead Ave, Ida Grove IA 51445)
Class C Liquor
Sunday Sales
 - 2.) Pronto (401 East Hwy 175 Ida Grove IA 51445-0000)
Class C Beer Permit
Sunday Sales
- d. Minutes: Personnel Committee Meeting May 31st 4:30pm, Personnel Committee Meeting May 31st 5:00pm, Personnel Committee Meeting June 2nd, City Council Meeting June 5th, 2017, Special City Council Meeting June 12th, 2017

Motion by Doug Clough, seconded by Scott Tomlinson to approve the consent agenda. Motion carries unanimously.

Old Business

Quick discussion of the Downtown Revitalization Project. The final payment to RDG - \$3,684.72 will be held. Talking about Doc Samson and Mark Brenner and contacting them to discuss any issues they have had regarding the work done for the project.

Discussion of the King Theatre by Doug Clough. Doug talking about capping the gas off in the building. Dan Gosch and his crew will shore up the back of the building tomorrow. The insurance adjuster will be at the King Theater at 2:30pm on Monday to view the site.

Nelson and Rock Contracting discussion about the creek sloughing. Paul Cates giving an update about the project. The work is done.

Discussion of the Pleasant Valley Trail grant application for crack repair. The State of Iowa will decide on October 10th on grant awards.

Discussion of digitalization of the Code/Ordinance books. The City Administrator has received one proposal back.

Discussion of the airport lease charges currently in place. The City Administrator will come back with information on storage charges.

Paul Cates talking about the fence repair/replacement at Badger Creek Park and extending the project 16 feet more.

Motion by Ryan Goodman, seconded by Doug Clough to approve 16 more feet of fencing for Badger Creek Park. Motion carries unanimously.

Discussion of the City Hall credit card and Library credit card. The project has not been a huge priority, but the Administrator has worked on it as time permits.

Discussion regarding future sludge hauling as the owner of the current site may charge the City \$2,400 per year to do so. Debate as to whether the City could haul sludge to the area between the airport and the Odebolt Creek. The hauler would need to cross over the airport runway and there could be damage occurring there. A motion by Doug Clough, seconded by Ryan Goodman to approve putting sludge on the current property for \$2,400 per year was made, but was withdrawn. The City Administrator will contact the DNR out of Spencer Iowa to see if the City can spread sludge in the area between the creek and the airport.

Motion by Ryan Goodman, seconded by Gregor Ernst to table the issue to the next meeting. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business

Discussing the appointment of directors to Ida Grove Community Foundation. Talking about the amount of members on the Board of the Foundation and who can be on the Board. Attorney Goldsmith is researching how many people will be or can be on the Board. Peter Goldsmith says the bylaws say 5 to 9 board members. The members are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the council. Mayor Pro Tem Paul Cates is appointing Doug Clough, Ryan Goodman, Owen Bolte, Beth Wolterman and Cheryl Gosch to be on the Board of Directors for the Ida Grove Community Foundation.

Motion by Scott Tomlinson, seconded by Gregor Ernst to approve the appointments. Motion carries with Tomlinson, Ernst and Cates voting aye, none against and Clough and Goodman abstaining.

Discussion of JEO as the City engineering firm. Ryan Goodman talking about a deeper relationship with JEO as they are the flood plain engineer for the City. Ryan discussing the process of projects and engineering support. Scott Tomlinson asking about costs of the contract. Peter Goldsmith can monitor the contract and can act on behalf of the city if the firm isn't working out. Scott Tomlinson wants to see a rep from JEO to discuss at the next meeting.

Discussion of Resolution 2017-10 setting the time and place of the hearing on the proposal to sell the King Theater property and requiring notice of hearing.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-10 SETTING TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO SELL THE KING THEATER PROPERTY AND REQUIRING NOTICE OF HEARING

WHEREAS, the City of Ida Grove, Iowa (the "City"), will be holding a public hearing at 6:00pm on July 17, 2017 at the City Hall Council Chambers, 403 3rd Street, for a hearing on the proposal to sell the King Theater property; and

WHEREAS, the King Theater property is the West 3 feet of Lot 6 and all of Lot 7, in block 6, City of Ida Grove, Ida County, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been received from the Ida Grove Community Development Foundation, Inc. to purchase the property and that the City Council will proceed to hearing on the proposal to sell all or a portion of the property;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ida Grove, Iowa, as follows:

Any persons having objections to the sale of the property may appear at the time and place of the hearing and voice any objections they may have. Any and all bidders on the property may appear at the time and place of the hearing and offer any bids that they may have for the property. Unless "you" appear at the time and place of the hearing and voice any objections that "you" may have to the proposal, the property may be sold to the Ida Grove Community Development Foundation, Inc. or to other persons.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of July, 2017.

Paul Cates, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Marc Dennison, City Administrator

Quick discussion of Resolution 2017-12 Providing for Sale of King Theater Property. The resolution will be placed on the agenda at the next meeting on July 17, 2017.

Brief discussion of the hearing notice: Notice of Time and Place of Hearing on Proposal to Sell the King Theater Property.

Motion by Ryan Goodman, seconded by Dough Clough to approve the hearing notice: Notice of Time and Place of Hearing on Proposal to Sell the King Theater Property. Motion carries unanimously.

Discussion of the retainer agreement for Laurel Boerner and Peter Goldsmith of Boerner and Goldsmith. Peter Goldsmith would like a formal retainer agreement.

Motion by Dough Clough, seconded by Scott Tomlinson to adopt the formal retainer agreement. Motion carries unanimously.

Discussion of the 6th Street Repair Project. Street Superintendent Gerrod Sholty and City Administrator Dennison will work on getting a proposal to the City Council.

Discussion of the additional modules for the ACH Payment System and Receipt Management System. Ryan Goodman talking about the options to the software program. Doug Clough asking for the Data Tech representative to meet with the Council and give a presentation on the modules. Discussion to table this issue to the next City Council meeting.

Discussion of Resolution 2017-13 amending the Code of Ordinances for the City of Ida Grove Iowa by enacting an ordinance to change the computation of sewer usage for residential customers and allowing the use of separate water meters. Peter Goldsmith talking about having a second meter for residential as well as industrial and commercial users. Debating about the rate survey and water meters.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-13

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF IDA GROVE, IOWA BY ENACTING AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE COMPUTATION OF SEWER USAGE FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS AND ALLOWING THE USE OF SEPARATE SEWER METERS

WHEREAS, the City of Ida Grove, Iowa desires to amend its ordinances to eliminate the use of a six month average to determine residential summer sewage bills and allowing the use of separate sewage meters; and

WHEREAS, current industrial and commercial sewer bills are based on monthly usage;

WHEREAS, an ordinance with the change for residential sewer bills is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

IT WAS THEREFORE moved by council member Ryan Goodman and seconded by council member Scott Tomlinson that the ordinance set forth in the attached Exhibit A be approved.

Said resolution is passed by the city council by a vote of 5 (five) in favor and none opposed.

Ayes – in favor of enactment of the resolution: Scott Tomlinson
Doug Clough
Gregor Ernst
Ryan Goodman
Paul Cates

Nays – namely opposed to the enactment of the resolution: _____

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Council Member Ryan Goodman and seconded by Council Member Scott Tomlinson that the second and third readings of the Ordinance be waived so it could be effective as soon as it is published in the newspaper.

Ayes – in favor of enactment of the resolution: Scott Tomlinson

Doug Clough
Gregor Ernst
Ryan Goodman
Paul Cates

Nays – namely opposed to the enactment of the resolution: _____

APPROVED by the City Council and Signed by the Mayor Pro Tem on the 6th day of July, 2017.

Paul Cates, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Marc Dennison, City Administrator

Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 2017-554 to Eliminate Residential Sewer Bill Averaging and Allow the Use of Separate Water Meters

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2017-554

ORDINANCE TO ELIMINATE RESIDENTIAL SEWER BILL AVERAGING

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Ida Grove, Iowa.

Section 1.

Title III, Chapter 3, Article 5, Section 10 (3-3.0510 Rate-Water Use-Computation) is amended to strike the current language and insert new language as follows:

3-3.0510 Sewer Use Computation.

1. Billing to residential, industrial and commercial customers for sewer usage shall be based upon the customer's water usage for each billing period.
2. The customer is responsible for all costs related to the separate meter including installation, repair, maintenance and removal. Prior to installation, the customer must obtain approval of the meter by the City. After installation, and prior to use, the customer must obtain approval of the installation by the City.

Section 2.

When Effective. This ordinance will be in effect after its final passage and approval and publication as provided by law.

Section 3.

If any portion of this ordinance is determined to be invalid, such determination will not affect the remainder of the ordinance.

APPROVED AND SIGNED by the Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Ida Grove, Iowa, on the 6th of July, 2017.

Paul Cates, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Marc Dennison, City Administrator

1st Reading-Approved 07-05-2017

2nd Reading-Waived 07-05-2017

3rd Reading-Waived 07-05-2017

Other business being discussed. Attorney Goldsmith talking about the Kiwanis Foundation wanting a check to be cut and how soon that would be. Doug Clough discussing the hours of the outdoor pool for next year. Gregor Ernst looking forward to the fireworks ordinance being discussed. Paul Cates talking about the new meters and the cost. Ryan Goodman is getting a bid for technology for City Hall and going paperless. The City has the equipment to get meetings on the website.

Motion by Scott Tomlinson, seconded by Doug Clough to adjourn. Adjournment at 7:44pm.

Marc Dennison, Administrator

Paul Cates, Mayor Pro Tem