

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

January 9, 2017

The Marshalltown City Council met in regular session on January 9, 2017, at 5:30 PM, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Lowrance called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Gowdy, Greer, Hoop, Schubert, Wirin. Actively participating by speakerphone: Lamer. Absent: Martin. Schubert moved to approve the agenda, second by Greer. Motion approved 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Greer moved to approve the Consent Agenda: Approve Council meeting Minutes of December 27, 2016; Approve Bill List in the amount of \$1,251,793.77; Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Appoint Anel Garza, term expires 1/1/2019, and Kim Barnes, term expires 1/1/2018, and Reappoint Jeff Sogge and Matt Tullis, terms expire 1/1/2019; Resolution 2017-001 Transferring funds, \$215,124 local option sales tax to cash flow reserve; Resolution 2017-002 Renewing Agreement with IDOT for Maintenance and Repair of Primary Roads, July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2020; second by Gowdy. Consent agenda adopted 6-0.

MOTION:

Greer moved to set public hearing for January 23 regarding amending Chapter 29 of the Zoning Ordinance, allowable special uses in the Office Park District, including full-service restaurants and limited service eating places, second by Wirin. The ordinance requires three readings, and the first reading will occur in conjunction with the public hearing. Members of the council stated concern with allowing alcohol and tobacco sales in the Office Park District. This ordinance will affect four areas in the city limits. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS:

Brian DeMoss, Accounting Manager, reviewed the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

RESOLUTIONS:

Schubert moved to adopt Tentative Resolution 2017-003 providing for the renewal of a lease of property to the Marshalltown Radio Controlled Flyers for a term of ten years, through June 10, 2027, setting hearing for January 23, 2017, second by Wirin. The lease is for property in the flood zone near Linn Creek. Member Bruce Grumstrup spoke about group use of the property and thanked the city for providing this recreational area. Resolution adopted 6-0.

DISCUSSION:

Storm Water Rates. The council discussed proposed options for calculating rates for generating funds to maintain the storm water enterprise fund. It was the consensus of the council that “ERU option #2”, with equivalent residential units used to measure activity, be used as the basis of the ordinance to be considered for the first reading of the ordinance scheduled for January 23, for the period of July 1, 2017 – 6/30/2018. Greer moved to direct staff to prepare an ordinance using “ERU option #2” as discussed, second by Gowdy. Motion passed 6-0.

City Administrator Kinser summarized the council goal setting report and explained how the council goals will be placed into action.

Finance Director Steiner reviewed the following items with the council: the draft capital improvement plan will be reviewed at the next meeting, the debt schedule, and taxable assessment valuation. Taxable valuations increased 4.6%. There will not be a rate change to support current service levels. Department heads have been asked to submit “status quo” budgets.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Monte Eaton, 2460 Reed Avenue, requested the Council to reconsider the denial of his severance request at the January 23 Council meeting. A Resolution to allow the requested severance had been voted down at the December 27 meeting. The Mayor asked for a motion to place the reconsideration on the next agenda as a possible item. Hoop so moved, second by Gowdy. Motion to add the topic to the next agenda failed on a 3-3 vote, with Wirin, Gowdy and Greer opposed.

CLOSED SESSION:

Schubert moved to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 20.17 subsection 3 of the Code of Iowa concerning strategy meetings of the public employer for collective bargaining purposes, second by Gowdy. The City of Marshalltown has an attorney-client relationship with Michael Galloway, Ahlers & Cooney, PC, pursuant to an engagement letter dated July 1, 2011. Motion carried 6-0.

OPEN SESSION:

Schubert moved to enter into open session, second by Wirin. Motion carried 6-0. Roll call: Present: Wirin, Gowdy, Greer, Hoop, Lamer, Schubert.

Gowdy moved to adopt recommendations of legal counsel proposed in closed session, and the following Resolutions approving collective bargaining agreements, July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2020: Resolution 2017-004 Approving Agreement with the Marshalltown Police Department Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Local No 238, Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters; and Resolution 2017-005 Approving Agreement with the Marshalltown Parks & Recreation Department, UAW Amalgamated Local No 893, second by Schubert. Motion and Resolutions adopted 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk

CITY OF MARSHALLTOWN

ATTEST:

James L. Lowrance, Mayor

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk