

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

April 9, 2018

The Marshalltown City Council met in regular session on April 9, 2018, at 5:30 PM, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Greer called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Cahill, Gowdy, Hoop, Isom, Martin, Lamer, Wirin. Brianna Hargrave, winner of the "If I were Mayor" contest for in Iowa's First Congressional District, read her essay. Hargrave was congratulated by the Mayor and Council. Mayor Greer recognized National Library Week and read the proclamation.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Wirin moved to approve the Consent Agenda: Approve Council Minutes for 3/26/2018; Approve the Bill List in the amount of \$1,230,345.12; Receipt of Civil Service New Hire List – Accounting Clerk II; Resolution 2018-042 ordering construction of the 2018 Microsurfing project in the City of Marshalltown, Iowa, setting public hearing on proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost and directing publication of notice to bidders, being project number STR-18001 for 3rd Street/6th Street and Iowa Avenue to North Center Street; Resolution 2018-043 to approve the 28E Agreement with the Marshalltown YMCA/YWCA for operation of the Aquatic Center; Resolution 2018-044 Setting Public Hearing for the FY2019 Consolidated Transit Funding Application for the Marshalltown Municipal Transit Public Transit Program; second by Isom. Consent agenda adopted 7-0.

REPORTS:

Val Ruff, Convention & Visitors Bureau presented a quarterly report of promotion activities. Fire Chief Rierson, presented the 2017 Fire Department Annual Report.

RESOLUTIONS:

Gowdy moved to adopt Resolution 2018-045 of Support for the Marshalltown Community School District's Bobcat Ready! Campaign, second by Martin. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Lamer moved to adopt Resolution 2018-046 designating an amount not to exceed \$13,950 in Local Option Sales tax Fund Balance to purchase CivicRec Recreation Program Software to integrate with the City's CivicPlus Software, second by Isom. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Wirin moved to adopt Resolution 2018-047 designating an amount not to exceed \$65,000 in Local Option Sales Tax Fund Balance for the Design and Engineering of the Linn Creek / Iowa River Trail Connector, second by Isom. Resolution adopted 4-3, Hoop, Lamer and Martin dissenting.

Hoop moved to adopt Resolution 2018-048 Setting a Date for a public hearing on Amendment No. 7 to the Urban renewal Plan for Marshalltown Urban Renewal Area #3, second by Lamer. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Cahill moved to adopt Resolution 2018-049 to fix a date for a public hearing on proposal to enter into a Sewer Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a Principal Amount not to exceed \$3,500,000, second by Martin. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Mayor Greer opened the public hearing at 7:25 PM regarding the sale of 519 N Center Street. There were no public or written comments. Mayor Greer declared the public hearing closed at 7:26 PM.

Wirin moved to adopt Resolution 2018-050 Adopting Tentative Resolution providing for the Conveyance and Transfer of Title by the City of Marshalltown, Iowa, to Galinda Reyes to the property described herein and authorizing execution and delivery of Quit Claim Deed, second by Lamer. 519 N Center St. Resolution adopted 7-0.

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ORDINANCES:

Wirin moved to adopt the first reading of Ordinance 14972 Adopting the National Fire Protection Association 70-2017 National Electric Code as the City of Marshalltown Electrical Code, second by Gowdy. First reading adopted 7-0.

DISCUSSION:

The council discussed who should pay for the replacement of cracked, overgrown and deteriorated sidewalks adjacent to homes and businesses. The city code states the adjacent property owner is responsible for maintenance of the sidewalk. A majority of the cities surveyed required the property owner to pay all of the maintenance or replacement cost of the deteriorated sidewalk, with a few cities sharing the expense with the property owner. The goal of the city is to be proactive and have sidewalks in good repair. The city charges minimal fees, \$22 for a sidewalk inspection permit and \$17 if an excavation permit is required. Administrator Kinser would like the first round of letters mailed in early June to property owners with deficient sidewalks. The deteriorated sidewalk program for 2018 will focus on areas near schools. Kinser anticipates the next four years will address quadrants of the city. Clerk Coughenour reminded the council an option for payment for sidewalk improvements is for voluntary assessment to taxes over a period of ten years, and the council has the ability to waive the assessment interest rate, with the maximum interest rate (currently 9%) set by State Code. The council asked for more time to hear from their constituents.

Finance Director Steiner presented a review of the Police and Fire Building cost. Kinser progress on the 2018 Strategic Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Works Director Justin Nickel announced the Linn Street bridge construction should be complete and the S Center Street viaduct open by the end of the week.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk

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ATTEST:

Joel T.S. Greer, Mayor

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk