

City of Durant
City Council Meeting Minutes
05/08/2017

City Council met in regular session and Mayor Scott Spengler called meeting to order at 6:00p.m. Roll Call of members present: Quiram, Sterner, and Gruemmer; Members Mundt and Utter were absent. City Staff present: Deana Cavin, City Op. Ofcr/Clerk; Al Olderog, PW Director; Julie Degen, City Attorney; Orville Randolph, Police Chief; and Linda Vorwald, Comm. Ctr. Dir. MSA Engineers Dennis Keitel and Nate Stevenson were present, as was Zoning Consultant Mark Brockway.

Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to approve agenda, city bills, and minutes for 04/24/2017 meeting. Ayes: Gruemmer, Quiram, Sterner Nays: None Motion carried.

Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Gruemmer to approve the Liquor License renewal for American Legion Post #430. Ayes: Quiram, Sterner, Gruemmer Nays: None Motion carried.

Consider Resolution 2017-43 A resolution waiving the requirement of review of the final plat by Planning & Zoning Commission for Swanson's 5th Addition located outside of corporate limits, and thereby approving plat by City Council: Kevin Coss and Darryl Schwarz, owners of Town and Country Tire Inc., and Glenn Swanson were present to request the approval of Swanson's Fifth Addition. Attorney Degen explained the City Code requires consideration for any subdivision within two miles of the city corporate limits by the planning and zoning commission, and council. There is a provision that the council can waive the commission's review. The purpose for such review is to ensure the cities have access for future water and sewer expansion and the areas will be cohesive with the city's growth plans. Attorney Degen pointed out the utility easement is not reflected on the plat. Brockway and Degen expressed the need for the easement to be noted for future infrastructure or growth. Discussion followed with Mr. Schwarz inquiring if, when the bus barn was built, was the easement on that plat. He did not feel that the approval process should be upheld now, if that was not required in the past. Mr. Swanson, owner of the property, conveyed to council that there an existing easement. After further discussion, Member Gruemmer motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to approve Resolution 2017-43 waiving the requirement of review by planning and zoning commission, approving the final plat for Swanson's Fifth Addition with the contingency that the easement be identified and marked as high way and utility easement. Ayes: Sterner, Quiram, Gruemmer Nays: None Motion carried.

Consider Second reading for Ordinance Amendment Adjusting Rates for the Durant Municipal Sanitary Sewer System: Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2017-02 to increase the sewer rates from \$34.65 to \$44.65.

Ayes: Gruemmer, Sterner, Quiram Nays: None Motion carried.

The third and final reading will be May 22, 2017 council meeting.

Consider Resolution #2017- 44 Setting place, date and time of public hearing for Budget Amendment for FY 2017: Member Gruemmer motioned, seconded by Member Quiram to set the date as May 22, 2017 at 6PM at city hall for the public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Amendment. Ayes: Quiram, Sterner, Gruemmer Nays: None Motion carried.

Mark Brockway reported through the advertisements, matched funding for publication was met; he encouraged any local business that may want an ad should call city hall within the next two weeks, before the drafts finalized.

Engineer's report: Consider Resolution 2017-26 Awarding contract for the Bio Swale Project- Clerk reported the official awarding of the Bio Swale project had been tabled until the other two projects were re-bid. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to award the project to Triple B Construction in the amount of \$35,080.00. Ayes: Sterner, Gruemmer, Quiram Nays: None Motion carried. Member Gruemmer motioned, seconded by Member Sterner, to approve Resolution 2017-28 approving contract & performance and/or payment bonds for the Durant bio swale Project with Triple B Construction. Ayes: Quiram, Sterner, Gruemmer Nays: None Motion carried. Member Quiram motioned, seconded by Member Sterner, to approve Resolution 2017-40 approving contract and performance and/or payment bonds for the Durant Permeable Pavers Project with Triple B Construction. Ayes: Gruemmer, Sterner, Quiram Nays: None Motion carried. Member Gruemmer motioned, seconded by Member Sterner, to approve Resolution 2017-42 approving contract and performance and/or payment bonds for the Durant Agricultural Land Conversion Project with Triple B Construction. Ayes: Sterner, Quiram, Gruemmer Nays: None Motion carried. Clerk inquired if MSA will have anyone on site for these projects or if the inspections will be done by the State of Iowa, Amy Bouska. Engineer Dennis Keitel explained it will be shared. MSA is currently applying for the required permits from the Army Corp of Engineers. MSA will work with the contractor for the required minority reporting throughout the projects.

8th Street Update: Nate Stevenson reported seeding prep has begun this week; Horsefield will be on site to finish the concrete sidewalks; punch list has been prepared; BWC will be asphaltting the transitions next week. Mayor, Clerk, Attorney Degen and engineers met prior to council meeting to discuss substantial and final completion requirements; and legal strategies concerning the project.

Community Center: Linda Vorwald reported the previous weekend fundraiser was a success, and graduation season is beginning; she inquired if council would consider a policy when granting free rentals that specify the number of hours of prep time and staff time allowed for an event. Clerk reported not only is the city waiving the rental but the also the staffing hours are adding up; clerk stated weddings are limited to a certain number of before and after hours; general consensus was all events at the center should have limits; Member Sterner suggested an agreement for such events just like rentals should be utilized.

Police Dept.: Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Gruemmer, to approve the police report. Ayes: Quiram, Gruemmer, Sterner Nays: None Motion carried. Chief Randolph reported his department took part in active shooter training in Muscatine; the program recommends fire and EMT training for active shooter. The 7th street property nuisance will be handled with municipal infraction. There is an Iowa Dept. of Transportation meeting at Tipton DOT building May 17th from 4 to 6pm concerning traffic volume for I-80 corridor from Davenport to Des Moines; any one is can attend.

Public Works: PW Dir. Al Olderog reported ballfield lights at Feldhahn Park are out of order temporarily, due to underground wire in need of repair; weather permitting, ruts in the grass alley between 12th Ave and 14th Ave, between 8th St. and 9th St. will be leveled out in the next two weeks. A temporary stop sign has been installed at 5th Avenue and 4th Street during the road closure west of the City. Police Chief Randolph has received many compliments for the 4-way stop, especially concerning the students using that route to the cross walk. Member Sterner stated

he would like to see that become permanent for that intersection. Council will address this at a later date.

City Clerk: Member Gruemmer motioned, seconded by Member Sterner, to approve the April 2017 financial statements. Ayes: Sterner, Quiram, Gruemmer Nays: None Motion carried.

Consider changes to Ordinance concerning fireworks: clerk reported as soon as Gov. Branstad signs the bill, fireworks use and sales will be legal in Iowa during certain time periods. The current city ordinance will need to be updated because as of now, use and sales are illegal in Durant. Clerk was informed by Linda McCune, Iowa League of Cities Gov't Affairs Manager the cities cannot prohibit sales under the new law but cities can prohibit and regulate use of fireworks; cities can regulate the time, place and manner of sales in the city limits. Clerk will work with Chief Randolph to recommend an amendment to the ordinance.

Freedom Rock Information- Cedar County: Clerk informed council city hall was notified about the effort to place a Freedom Rock-recognizing veterans, in each county in Iowa. Currently Cedar County has applied for a rock to be placed in Tipton. If anyone is interested in being a part of the project, they can reach out to Tipton Chamber of Commerce. Funding requests will be forthcoming. Clerk is waiting to hear back from the State Auditor's Office about how cities should handle such requests concerning donations.

Clerk informed council there was a concern for ruts developing in Pythian Sisters Park during the Farmer's Market when vendors drive and park on wet grass. It was general consensus that public works can let the clerk know if the ground is too soft for the vehicles and the vendors would have to stay off the grass.

With no other business before council, meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

Scott Spengler, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Operations Officer/Clerk

CITY OF DURANT		CLAIMS LIST 05-08-2017
VENDOR NAME		
ADVOCATE NEWS	CH PUBLISHING & POLICE OFFICER AD	446.86
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC SCOTT CO	132.07
ARNOLD SUPPLY CO	PARKS-FILTER & HOSE CLAMPS	5.38
BROCKWAY LAND PLANNING ASSOC	CONSULTING FEES	1120.00
CENTRAL STATES H & W FUNDS	HEALTH & LIFE INSURANCE	16906.50
CINTAS CORPORATION #342	SHOP TOWELS & CH MATS	92.34
CITY OF DURANT	WATER	3865.19
CITY OF DURANT PETTY CASH	REIMBURSE PETTY CASH-POSTAGE	25.16

CORNERSTONE PUBLICATIONS LLC	MARKETING CAMPAIGN SERVICES	17517.00
CULLIGAN-QUAD CITIES	DISTILLED WATER	31.95
DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC	5255.89
DURANT VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS INC	HELMET TAGS-NEW MEMBERS	43.29
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	9277.83
EMC NATIONAL LIFE CO	FIREFIGHTER'S LIFE INSURANCE POLICY	1593.00
GENESIS OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	KEVIN-DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING	68.00
HEARTLAND FIRE & SECURITY	CC FIRE ALARM SYSTEM ANNUAL FEE	548.40
HEARTS FOR HORSES	CC DEPOSIT REFUND	250.00
IPERS	IPERS	133.92
JEFF'S MARKET	SUPPLIES FOR DOWNTOWN ASSESSMENT	57.45
KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE	WASTEWATER TRAINING-JUSTIN	135.00
KLUESNER CONSTRUCTION INC	STREET SWEEPING	1566.00
LIBERTY TRUST & SAVINGS BANK	ACH FEES	51.36
LOWDER, WILLIAM	FENCE PERMIT-REFUND	73.00
MCMASTER CARR SUPPLY CO	SW-SCREWS, NUTS, BOLTS	23.30
MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INC	ENGINEERING FEES	5398.45
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES INC	FIRE-BOOTS,HELMETS,RADIO HOLDERS & STRAPS	1820.62
NEUMANN, KEVIN	REIMBURSE MILEAGE WW CLASS	42.80
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLE	MAY 17 GARBAGE SERVICE & STICKERS	11881.00
PAPER'S LUMBER & SUPPLY INC	SW SUPPLIES	28.96
POSTMASTER	WA BILLING POSTAGE	222.66
QUAD CITY DOOR	SHOP-GARAGE DOOR TRANSMITTER	25.00
SLININGER, CINDY	FENCE PERMIT-REFUND	87.00
TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION #238	UNION DUES	162.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	2052.00
TURKLE TREE SERVICE	8TH ST STUMP REMOVAL	405.00
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO	SW-EJ FRAME & COVER	265.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	WIRELESS INTERNET, CELLPHONE, HOTSPOT	172.08
VORWALD, LINDA	CELLPHONE USE-APRIL	8.00
WEX BANK	FUEL	683.30
PAYROLL		16182.20
TOTAL		98,654.96

FUND TOTALS		
GENERAL		62,454.88
ROAD USE TAX		6,656.49
FIRE DEPARTMENT		3,742.64
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND		4,824.70
WATER		6,453.20
SEWER		14,523.05
TOTAL		98654.96

APRIL 2017 REVENUES

GENERAL	316855.56
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FIRE MEMORIAL	200.00
COMMUNITY CENTER MEMORIAL	300.00
ROAD USE TAX	12831.78
DURANT LOSST (75% SHARE)	7517.13
SPECIAL LEVY (EMP INS)	50481.99
URBAN RENEWAL FUND (TIF)	72471.07
DEBT SERVICE	154190.97
WATER UTILITY	23097.56
WATER REV BOND SINKING FUND	783.00
SEWER UTILITY	43721.14
SEWER REV BOND SINKING FUND	35916.19
TOTAL	<hr/> 718366.39