

CITY OF EVART
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 22, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Foster, Elliott, Joyce, Carlson

Heather Pattee, City Clerk. Sarah Dvoracek, City Treasurer/Assessor. Zackary Szakacs, City Manager.

Absent: Keysor

Guest: Jennifer Joyce, John Tanner, Larry Lauman, Jim White, City Attorney, Patrick Muczynski, Ray Franz, Brandon Fountain, Al Weinberg.

Citizens Comments: None.

Amendments to the Agenda: 1.) Hazardous waste contribution.

Motion moved by Foster supported by Carlson to approve the Amendments to the Agenda. Motion passed.

Motion moved by Foster supported by Carlson to approve the May 8, 2017 minutes. Motion passed.

LDFA: None.

DDA: 1.) One month until the concert series begins. 2.) JC Electric will be doing the electrical work on the new pavilion. 3.) The DDA has been awarded two Grants and some donations equaling \$ 26,000.00 towards the Concert series. 4.) ISD and the Evert Reads programs 1st edition of the story walk went well. 5.) Shop local team Art festival will be August 12 from 10-3. 6.) Evert Community Garden is working with social service groups to help families get garden boxes at the community gardens.

Unfinished Business: 1.) Blarney Castle property proposal will remain on agenda under unfinished business. 2.) Cemetery Rate increase will remain on agenda under unfinished business.

New Business: 1.) The ICE Grant has been denied. Foster moved and Elliott supported to put out for bid with all three option for the work to be done on Hemlock Street. Motion passed. 2.) Motion moved by Foster supported by Elliott to put out design proposal bids. Motion passed. 3.) Motion moved by Carlson supported by Elliott to approve the amendments to the Personnel Policy Handbook. Motion passed 4.) Motion moved by Foster supported by Joyce to authorize \$ 750.00 to fix the drainage issue at Canthook park wall. Motion passed. 5.) Motion moved by Foster supported by Joyce to approve the purchase of a pre-owned 2004 International dump truck in the amount of \$ 55,714.00. Motion passed. 6.) Motion moved by Carlson supported by Elliott to approve the Teamsters Contract. Motion passed. 7.) Motion moved by Foster supported by Elliott to go Facebook live. Motion passed. 8.) Motion moved by Carlson supported by Foster to contribute \$ 1,000.00 to Hazardous waste program. Motion passed.

City Treasurer/Assessor: 1.) Seth Lattimore has completed reappraisals from 5th street north. There have been 141 surveys returned this far. 2.) Motion moved by Foster supported by Carlson to approve the vendors list. Motion passed.

City Manager: 1.) June 12th will be the economic strategy meeting from 10-12. 2.) June 14th will be the Housing strategy meeting from 10-12. 3.) Last Thursday Bloomberg, and New York times had a phone interview with Zackary Szakacs regarding Nestle. 4.) Fosters Supermarket and Aqua Turf have volunteered to clean Guyton Park. 5.) Sarah Dvoracek will participate in the Masterland Use Plan on June 14th. It is coming to an end and will go through the planning commission and then brought to Council.

Police Department: 1.) Will be paying close attention to blight. Officer Douglas will be concentrating on the south side and Officer McClure will be concentrating on the north side 2.) Preparing for the upcoming summer events. 3.) Is seeking a candidate for the part time Officer.

Department of Public Works/Water: 1.) There have been 6 candidates interviewed, who will start in June from the Michigan rehabilitation program 2.) Construction of the Riverside Park dock has begun. 3.) The brush and leaf pick up has been completed. 4.) City wide cleanup has been completed. There were 3 cycles of dumpsters.

City Attorney: 1.) Jim White will have amended ordinances for approval for the next meeting.

Citizens Comments: Ray Franz state senate seat candidate introduced himself.

Motion moved by Foster supported by Elliott to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.