

The Eldon City Council met in regular session on March 14, 2023 at Eldon City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Tom Bedford, Carl Culp, Brandon Potts, and David Showman. Stacey Doree was absent. The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.

Motion by Showman to authorize the agenda, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Mayor Potts opened the public hearing on Budget FY24 Max Levy. No written or oral comments were heard. Mayor Potts closed the public hearing.

Motion by Potts to authorize regular meeting minutes February 14, 2023, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize the bills, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS –

Motion by Bedford to authorize a building permit with a variance for 411 Hearn Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize 302 W Walnut Street to cap water service line at the curb stop and the sewer service line at the clean out, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize a fence permit with a variance for 417 1st Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

City Clerk – Carrie Teninty updated the council on the rental inspection progress.

Public Works – Discussion was held on the lift station pumps. Jerred Reed will contact Electric Pump to return the pump and research different options to repair or replace.

Cemetery – No report.

Wapello County Law Enforcement – A written report was received.

Library – A written report was received.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received.

Fire Department – No report.

Engineer – Jim Warner was present to discuss dredging the lagoons. A public hearing will be held on April 11th and bids will be open on May 9th. Carrie Teninty will contact Area 15 to get the budget for dredging the lagoons.

Trails/Parks – No report.

Eldon Athletics – Carrie Teninty updated the council. Eldon will have a total of three teams.

Old Business – Motion by Showman to authorize Resolution 2023-4 - A resolution approving the maximum property tax dollars, second by Potts, roll call vote taken Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Bedford to authorize Resolution 2023-5 - A resolution adopting a proposed budget for publication and ordering a notice of public hearing on the proposed budget for FY24, second by Culp, roll call vote taken Tom Bedford yes, Carl Culp yes, Brandon Potts yes, and David Showman yes, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize a snow removal policy, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on bids for city hall. Three bids were received. Motion by Showman to authorize the bid from Sunset Builders in the amount of \$44,620.00, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

New Business – Motion by Potts to authorize to increase the janitor wage to \$15.00 per hour, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize a tire amnesty day for May 11th contingent on approval from Wapello County, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried. The city will park a trailer on 5th Street. Residents must check in at city hall to dispose of tires.

Public Forum – None.

Council Discussion – Carl Culp asked about the timeline of the lagoon project. The city will work on a contingent plan in case weather does not permit the project to be completed in November 2023.

David Showman asked about the public notifications for the IDNR monitoring violations.

Motion by Culp to adjourn, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty