The Eldon City Council met in regular session on June 13, 2023 at Eldon City Hall with Mayor Protem Stacey Doree presiding. Council members answering roll call were Tom Bedford, Carl Culp, Stacey Doree, Brandon Potts, and David Showman. Mayor Potts 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 Protem Doree opened the public hearing. No written or oral comments were heard. Mayor Protem Doree closed the public hearing.

Motion by Bedford to authorize regular meeting minutes May 9, 2023, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

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

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS -

Motion by Showman to authorize Class B Native Wine License for Ace Graphics, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize cigarette permit for Dollar General, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize fence permit for 203 Church Street, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize deck permit for 300 Water Street, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Bedford to authorize fence permit and deck permit for 300 Elm Street, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize building permit with variance of 12ft for 301 1st Street, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Randy McClure was present to discuss 107 Hearn Street. A nuisance abatement was served to the property owner after spring cleanup. The property owner did comply. After discussion, Ryan Mitchell will send a notice to the property owner regarding junk on the property.

Pearl Cloke was present to discuss city policies. Discussion was held on legal publications. Minutes are published within fifteen days of city council meeting in the Ottumwa Courier and posted on the city website once authorized by the city council. Discussion was held on the process of city selling property. The city is required to publish notice for a public hearing in the Ottumwa Courier. Once the public hearing is done, the city can proceed by selling the property by sealed bid or public auction.

Donna Jeffrey explained to the council that she did attend a class to obtain funding from the Inflation Reduction Act for repairs to city hall building. She wants to know what the city intends to do with city hall. No discussion has taken place on what the city will do with the city hall building. No motion was made to authorize Donna Jeffrey to obtain funding from grants.

City Clerk – Motion by Potts to authorize the disposal of old copier, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried. The copier will be sold by sealed bid in July 2023.

Public Works – Motion by Potts to authorize quote from GPM to certify lagoon flow meter, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Jerred Reed updated the council on demolition of properties obtained by the city.

Jerred Reed updated city on progress of new city hall. The frame is up and concrete is done.

Motion by Bedford to authorize obtaining quotes for electrical for public works department and new city hall, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried. Brandon Potts and David Showman will obtain quotes for electrical work to present at the July 2023 meeting.

Cemetery – No report.

Wapello County Law Enforcement – A written report was received.

Library - A written report was received.

Engineer – Motion by Showman to authorize advertising for bids for lagoon dredging, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize accepting bids until July 6, 2023 at 3:00pm for lagoon dredging, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize awarding bids on July 11, 2023 for lagoon dredging, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received. Cari Nicely was present to thank city employees for their hard work.

Fire Department – No report.

Trails/Parks – No report.

Eldon Athletics – Carrie Teninty explained to the council issues with the ball season this year. New policies will be put into place for next year.

Old Business - No motion was made to authorize obtaining quotes for repairs to city hall. No discussion was held.

New Business -

No motion was made to authorize life insurance benefits. No changes will be made to the policy.

Motion by Culp to authorize capping water service at the curb stop and capping sewer at the cleanout for 113 Selma Street, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize Ryan Mitchell to proceed obtaining abandoned nuisance properties located at 610 Wood Street, 103 KD North, and 310 E. Walnut Street, second by Culp, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion on notices for dogs at large/rabies certifications. A vicious dog order will be served for 100 7th Street.

Motion by Bedford to authorize a fine for noncompliance of nuisance abatement order for 606 Church Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize ICAP coverage effective July 1, 2023, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize IMWCA coverage effective July 1, 2023, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Public Forum - None.

Council Discussion - None.

Motion by Potts to adjourn, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:14pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty