The Eldon City Council met in regular session on August 13, 2024 at Eldon City Hall with Mayor Potts presiding. Council members answering roll call were Tom Bedford, Craig Brown, Stacey Doree, Brandon Potts, and David Showman. The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.

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

Mayor Potts opened the public hearing on proposed sale of property located at 421 W Elm Street. No written or oral comments were heard. Mayor Potts closed the public hearing.

Motion by Potts to authorize Resolution 2024-11 – A resolution directing the sale of the City of Eldon's interest of real estate located at 421 W Elm Street to Seth T. and Mackenzie A. Hobbs in the amount of \$25,000.00 second by Bedford, roll call vote taken, Tom Bedford aye, Craig Brown aye, Stacey Doree aye, Brandon Potts aye, and David Showman aye, all aye, motion carried.

Public auction of 1994 Trailer acquired from 103 KD Avenue. Several bids were received.

Motion by Bedford to authorize the bid for 1994 Trailer from Carl Culp in the amount of \$2,900.00, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Doree to authorize minutes from regular meeting July 11, 2024, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

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

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS – Motion by Potts to authorize fence permit for 109 Hearn Street, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize fence permit for 507 W Walnut, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Potts to authorize building permit for 710 W Elm, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried.

City Clerk - No report.

Public Works - No report.

Cemetery – Motion by Showman to authorize quote for repair of cemetery sign, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried.

Law Enforcement - Marty Wonderlin was present to update the city council.

Library - A written report was received.

Engineer - No report.

Gothic Visitors Center – A written report was received.

Fire Department –Motion by Potts to authorize Haley McCarty to attend EMS Class, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Showman to authorize \$1,000.00 for Bingo October 27, 2024, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion of maintenance on vehicles. The mayor must be called for maintenance for vehicles. Expenses over \$500.00 must be authorized by the city council.

Trails/Parks – No report.

Eldon Athletics – No report. The dumpster will be pulled from the ball field and restored. Public works will order hardware for lids for the dumpsters.

Old Business – Motion by Bedford to deny the request from Cardinal to smoke test the manhole at Walnut and 8th Street, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Brown to authorize smoke testing with Garden & Associates, second by Doree, all aye, motion carried. The part of town to be sewer smoked will begin on 5th Street and go west.

Discussion was held on Cardinal sewer line, flow meter, and infiltration. The city will not allow Cardinal's sewer service line to be active until the flow meter is installed, the chemical and aeration system is installed, and the infiltration is repaired.

Motion by Potts to authorize addendum to the original agreement with Cardinal regarding sewer line issues, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried. The city attorney will draft an addendum.

Motion by Doree to authorize Jerry Potts to Area 15 Multi County Housing Board, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried.

New Business -

Discussion was held on a citation for 107 Hearn Street. Progress is being made. The council will revisit the issue next month.

Motion by Potts to authorize citations for deed owner and contract buyer 100 S. 7th Street, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried. Each person shall be issued two tickets at \$500.00 each.

Motion by Doree to authorize borrowing money from Libertyville Savings Bank for the purchase of a dump truck and sander, second by Potts, all aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the disposal by sale of the City of Eldon's interest in property located at 201 American Gothic Street. Motion by Potts to sell the property. Motion died for lack of second. Consensus was to table until next month.

Discussion on city code chapter 8.20: Bees and apiaries. Consensus was to not make changes to the city code.

Motion by Potts to authorize Stacey Doree to attend the Local Option Sales Tax public forum, second by Showman, all aye, motion carried. The public forum will be held August 22, 2024.

Discussion on excavation permits/waster sewer permits. Both permits are required if excavation on utilities is taking place.

Discussion was held on the air conditioning at KD Center. The KD Board will meet to see what funds are available to contribute.

Motion by Potts to authorize cameras from US Cellular, second by Bedford, all aye, motion carried.

Public Forum – Mike Clark asked about installing gutters on the KD Center. This will be an agenda item for the KD Board.

Discussion was held on the fire department property. The survey is complete. The property needs to be cleaned up so that fence may be installed.

Council Discussion - None.

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:29pm.

Attest: Carrie Teninty