

The Hiawatha City Council met in regular session in the Hiawatha Council Chambers on January 18, 2017. Mayor Bill Bennett called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council members present: Dick Olson, Marty Bruns, Aime Wichtendahl and Dennis Norton. Bob Rampulla was absent. Staff present: Community Development Director Patrick Parsley, City Engineer John Bender, City Administrator Kim Downs, Fire Chief Mike Nesslage, and Police Chief Dennis Marks. Guests: Tom Peffer, Paul Fieger, John Waaer of the Linn County Trails Association, Bill Cumming of the Hawkeye Bicycle Association and Daniel Hoffmann.

Wichtendahl moved approval of the agenda, seconded by Bruns. Motion carried.

Norton moved the approval of the following consent agenda items: Approval of bills, Finance Director's Report for December 2016, City Clerk's Report for December 2016; Approval of renewal- Class C Beer Permit (Carryout Beer), Class E Liquor License (LE) and Sunday Sales for Kwik Shop, Inc. #568 located at 300 E. Blairs Ferry Road, effective February 1, 2017; Motion accepting the resignation of Parks and Recreation Commission Member: Lynda Hembera effective immediately; Department Reports: Community Development, Fire, Library, Parks and Recreation, Police and Public Works seconded by Wichtendahl. Motion carried.

Report from Council Members/Mayor/City Administrator

City Administrator Downs announced staff just received tax numbers from Linn County and the Budget Work Session scheduled for January 23, 2017 will be moved to January 30, 2017, to allow time to input the tax numbers at 5:30 P.M.

Boyson Road Cedar Valley Nature Trail Crossing Presentation – Tom Peffer, Linn County Trail Association

Tom Peffer commented on safety concerns of the pedestrians and bicyclists crossing Boyson Road at the head of the Cedar Valley Nature Trail.

The Linn County Trails Association and Hawkeye Bicycle Association came up with an option at the trail head to provide safety for pedestrians and bicyclists in this high traffic area. The proposal includes installation of a pedestrian signalized yield sign. If approved by City Council project would be done in spring 2017 with an estimated cost of \$12,000.00.

Tom Peffer explained the Linn County Trails Association approved funding in the amount \$10,000.00 and Hawkeye Bicycle Association approved \$5,000.00 and the groups have met with city staff to discuss. Peffer said if there is any left over funding after the Boyson Road trail project is completed the association may take a look at the trail crossing on Tower Terrace Road.

Council Member Bruns said Boyson Road trail is the first priority and Tower Terrace Road trail would be the second priority. Bruns asked if Linn County trails association had safety concerns with Tower Terrace Road crossing.

Peffer stated Tower Terrace Road crossing is not as concerning safety wise as Boyson Road crossing but it will get worse as time goes by. Peffer expressed appreciation for the cooperation they have received so far.

Bill Cumming of Hawkeye Bicycle Association said it is a possibility to go back to request more funding after the Boyson Road trail crossing project is complete.

Setting a public hearing date (February 1, 2017 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider the proposal to enter into a five (5) year Development Agreement with Mother Goose Daycare and Preschool Center, Inc. and providing for publication of notice

Olson presented RESOLUTION #17-004 setting a public hearing date (February 1, 2017 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider the proposal to enter into a five (5) year Development Agreement with Mother Goose Daycare and Preschool Center, Inc. and providing for publication of notice, seconded by Wichtendahl. Roll call vote: AYES: Bruns, Norton, Wichtendahl, Olson. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Rampulla. **RESOLUTION #17-004 adopted.**

Approving a 28E Agreement between the City of Hiawatha and other participating metro agencies for the sharing of Cedar Rapids properties for Police Department training purposes

Bruns presented RESOLUTION #17-005 approving a 28E Agreement between the City of Hiawatha and other participating metro agencies for the sharing of Cedar Rapids properties for Police Department training purposes, seconded by Norton. Roll call vote: AYES: Wichtendahl, Olson, Bruns, Norton. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Rampulla.

RESOLUTION #17-005 adopted.

Setting City Attorney compensation/fee structure beginning July 1, 2017

Norton presented RESOLUTION #17-006 setting City Attorney compensation/fee structure beginning July 1, 2017, seconded by Bruns. Roll call vote: AYES: Olson, Bruns, Wichtendahl, Norton. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Rampulla.

RESOLUTION #17-006 adopted.

2016-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Phase 2 Roadway Package Project – Pay Estimate #4

Bruns presented RESOLUTION #17-007 approving application for Partial Pay Estimate #4 for the 2016-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Phase 2 Roadway Package Project, and directing City Clerk to make payment to Rathje Construction Co., in the amount of \$63,189.62, seconded by Wichtendahl. Roll call vote: AYES: Bruns, Olson, Wichtendahl, Norton. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Rampulla. **RESOLUTION #17-007 adopted.**

Placement of items for next Agenda/Work Sessions

Council Member Bruns requested adding approval of the Tower Terrace Road trail signalization project at same time the Council considers approval of the Boyson Road trail signalization project.

There being no further discussion, Wichtendahl moved to adjourn at 5:40 P.M., seconded by Bruns. Motion carried.

Bill Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Kornegor, City Clerk