

KEOSAUQUA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 12th, 2021 - 4:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular Session with the following Council members present: Carol Harlan, Twyla Peacock, Larry Shipley, and Josh Cocherell. Gary Kingsbury participated via conference call. Others present: Jake Poling, Leo Powell, Missy Harward, Danny Tedrow, Katie Carruthers and Nicole Cox (Cox participating via Zoom).

Mayor Hranicka opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.

Motion Shipley, seconded Harlan to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion Shipley, seconded Kingsbury to approve the minutes from the December 8th and December 28th meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum opened.

- Danny Tedrow provided the council with the VBC Sheriff's Office quarterly update.
- Dave Kircher and Dick Breckenridge spoke on behalf of the librarian and library board to ask the council to consider adding an additional bank to the Official Designation Resolution. The library would like to consider moving part of the recently received estate funds to an account with a potentially higher interest rate. Discussion was had over the Official Designation Resolution process and different investment opportunities afforded to public funds.
- Leo Powell asked the council to consider vacating 50 feet of the street between lots 5&6, block 49 and lots 7&8, block 50.

Clerk's Report:

Motion Shipley, seconded Cocherell to approve Treasurer's Report. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion Kingsbury, seconded Cocherell to approve Bills for Payment with payment to Van Buren Auditor approved pending confirmation of process to pay back TIF funds. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Hranicka presented the Council with detailed information regarding the subject of levying for the FY22 GO debt payment of \$12,167. Council to review and discuss further at next meeting.

City Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Poling updated the Council on the Park and Recs Report, including sports complex and pool. Grant projects for the sports complex are underway. Poling to talk about pool repair estimate later in the meeting. Mayor Hranicka informed the council that he's received requests to remove snow off the trail surrounding the complex. He reminded the council that it was voted on last year not to provide snow removal for the trail due to lack of resources.

Resolutions/Ordinances for Approval Consideration:

- Motion Kingsbury, seconded Cocherell to approve **Resolution 01-21 – Setting time and place for Max Levy Hearing:** February 9th, 2021 at 4:00 PM - Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Shipley, seconded Cocherell to approve **Resolution 02-21 – Official Designations**– Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Shipley, seconded Harlan to approve **Resolution 03-21 – Wage Increase for CPO Certification** – Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Cocherell, seconded Shipley to approve **Resolution 04-21 – Authorizing Abandonment Process Against Real Property** – Motion carried 5-0.

Old/Unfinished Business:

- Animal nuisance at 601 Dodge Street was discussed. Continuance.
- Nuisance complaint at 201 & 203 Chestnut was discussed. Motion Kingsbury, seconded Cocherell to remove from agenda – Motion carried 5-0
- Motion Cocherell, seconded Shipley to approve Hold Harmless & Indemnification Agreement Form with a \$0 fee, for street closure requests. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business:

- Motion Shipley, seconded Kingsbury to approve the purchase of the Joma Performance Snowplow Blade System. Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Shipley, seconded Twyla to move forward with a 50-foot vacation of the street between Lots 5&6, Block 49 and Lots 7&8, Block 50 at \$.57/square foot. Motion carried 5-0.

- Motion Cocherell, seconded Kingsbury to approve option 2 on the proposal from Van Buren County regarding snow removal on Franklin Street. Motion carried 5-0.
- Superintendent Poling shared a pool repair estimate with the council to re-plaster and tile the pool. The estimate ranges between &76K - \$86K. The repairs are not needed this year, but will be within the coming years. No action taken.
- Motion Shipley, seconded Peacock to approve the Hotel Manning liquor license, pending dram shop. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion Cocherell, seconded Shipley to adjourn meeting at 5:50 PM. Motion carried 5-0.
Respectfully submitted,

Katie Nichols
City Clerk

Kevin Hranicka
Mayor