

KEOSAUQUA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Feb 14th, 2023 - 4:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular Session with the following Council members present: Carol Harlan, Josh Cocherell, Chuck Lazenby (via phone), and Twyla Peacock. Absent: Gary Kingsbury. Others present: Matt Dietzman, Carroll Michalek, Cody Chambers, Virgil Morris, Richard Daugherty, Michelle Eiermann, Steve Beardsley, Erin Fox-Beardsley, and Gary Lee.

- Mayor Mahon opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.

The Public Hearing for MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS was opened. No comments were received from others present and the clerk received none prior to the meeting. Public hearing closed at 4:01 p.m.

Motion Cocherell, second Harlan to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion Lazenby, second Cocherell to approve the minutes from the Dec 13th, Jan 10th and Jan 24th Meetings. Motion carried 4-0.

Public Forum opened.

- Brandon Schmitter – Sewer forgiveness request – No one was present.
- Christie Kessel – Fairfield Crush Softball – Notified the mayor prior to the meeting they would not be here.
- Steve Beardsley and Erin Fox-Beardsley expressed concerns of the parking issues on 4th Street during School events. Council member Cocherell will talk with the School for a possible solution.

Clerk's Report:

Motion Cocherell, second Harlan to approve Treasurer's Report and Bills for Payment. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion Cocherell, second Peacock to approve the Wellmark Insurance renewal with the dental plan upgrade. Motion carried 4-0.

City Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Dietzman reported on the following building permits.

- Building Permit: VB Co Conservation – Building at 820 Franklin St – Motion Cocherell, second Peacock to approve with setback variance. Motion carried 4-0.
- Delinquent Building Permit Procedure was discussed. Motion Cocherell, second Harlan to approve to publish the Penalty Procedure and have it go into effect April 1st. Motion carried 3-1, Lazenby nay.

Maintenance Activities -

- a) Rake Sale was completed with the County.
- b) Motion Peacock, second Cocherell to approve the gWorks software upgrade for Neptune 360. Motion carried 4-0.
- c) Ferguson Trail snow clearing was discussed. No action was taken.
- d) Motion Cocherell, second Harlan to approve the repair for the Parks and Rec City truck. Motion carried 4-0.

Park And Recreation

- Motion Cocherell, second Harlan to approve Dave's Mowing at the Sports Complex for the 2023 Season. Motion carried 4-0.
- Concession Stand Lease was discussed.

Resolutions/Ordinances for Approval Consideration:

- Motion Peacock, second Harlan to approve **RES 06-23 – FY24 Maximum Property Tax Dollars. Roll Call Vote: Cocherell – Aye, Harlan – Aye, Kingsbury – Absent, Peacock – Aye, and Lazenby – Aye.** Motion carried 4-0.
- Motion Cocherell, second Harlan to approve **RES 07-23 – Setting time and place for FY24 Budget Hearing: March 14th, 2023, at 4:00 PM.** Motion carried 4-0.
- Clerk Harward updated the council on the State's rate adjustment that is in process and how it will affect the City.

Old/Unfinished Business:

- Motion Lazenby, second Cocherell to approve a flat monthly fee of \$1,600 for 2023 KLP Bookkeeping, to be reviewed yearly. Motion carried 4-0.
- Osborne's was discussed. Tabled to the March meeting.
- Demo Permit addition progress was given on the Zoning Committee and their public hearing.
- Ovrom Bridge Engineering drawing was discussed. No Action taken.

New Business:

- Motion Harlan, second Cocherell to approve and authorize the mayor to sign the recodification contract with Area XV. Motion carried 3-1, Lazenby nay.
- Complaint – 1500 2nd St was discussed. They will be directed towards Iowa Dept of Human & Health Services.

Motion Cocherell, second Harlan to adjourn meeting at 5:09 PM. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Missy Harward
City Clerk

Melissa Mahon
Mayor