

KEOSAUQUA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 8th, 2020 - 4:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular Session with the following Council members present: Carol Harlan, Twyla Peacock, Larry Shipley, Josh Cocherell, and Gary Kingsbury. Others present: Jake Poling, Leo Powell, and Katie Carruthers

Mayor Hranicka opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.

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

Motion Peacock, seconded Kingsbury to approve the minutes from the November 10th meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum opened. Leo Powell asked the council about the process of vacating the street between lots 5&6, block 49 and lots 7&8, block 50. Clerk to obtain different vacation options.

Clerk's Report:

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

Motion Kingsbury, seconded Cocherell to approve Bills for Payment. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Hranicka presented the Council with information regarding levying for the current GO debt for FY22. Council to discuss further at next meeting. Clerk Nichols informed the council of a request by Van Buren County Hospital to concrete a portion of Franklin Street. Information is being gathered by city staff.

City Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Poling updated the Council on the Park and Recs Report, including sports complex and pool.

Personnel Committee:

Councilwoman Harlan presented the Council with the 2021 city staff wage increase proposal

Resolutions/Ordinances for Approval Consideration:

- Motion Cocherell, seconded Shipley to approve **Resolution 31-20 – Employee Wage Resolution** - Motion carried 5-0.
- Motion Kingsbury, seconded Shipley to approve **Resolution 32-20 – Board/Committee Appointments – 2021**, pending change of Safety Supervisor from Cocherell to Poling and approving a new six-year term for Barbara Morris to the Keosauqua Light & Power board – Motion carried 5-0.

Old/Unfinished Business:

- Animal nuisance at 601 Dodge Street was discussed. Continuance.
- Junk/debris/mowing nuisance complaint at 506 Division Street was discussed. Motion Cocherell to remove subject from agenda, seconded Harlan – Motion carried 5-0
- Nuisance complaint at 201 & 203 Chestnut was discussed. Motion Cocherell to move forward with appropriate next steps, seconded Kingsbury – Motion carried 5-0
- Requiring certificate of insurance and a contract for street closure requests was discussed. Example agreement was presented for review. City staff to update agreement to fit City of Keosauqua and present for approval at next meeting.

New Business:

- Vacation request for street between lots 5&6, Block 49 and Lots 7&8, Block 50 – no action taken.
- Motion Peacock, seconded Shipley to approve the wine permit renewal, pending application, for Flower House - Motion carried 5-0.

Motion Shipley, seconded Cocherell to adjourn meeting at 5:14 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Nichols
City Clerk

Kevin Hranicka
Mayor