The City Council of Elk Horn met in regular session Monday, May 1st, 2023, at 6:00 PM with the following members present: Mayor Hansen, Councilmen: Teegerstrom, Fredericksen, D. Petersen, Hogberg, and K. Petersen.

Guests in attendance were Clint Fichter, Clerk Chelsee Jacobsen, Jerry Evans, Jeff Nelson, Adam McCall, Don Struve, Paulette Madson, Chad Juelsgaard, Alex Behnke and Joey Maiers with Goldfinch GEO, and Kraig Jackson.

Mayor Hansen called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

Fredericksen moved, seconded by D. Petersen to approve amending the agenda adding 2012 Washington Street building permit. Ayes:4 Motion carried.

Hogberg moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to approve April 3rd, 2023, meeting minutes. Ayes: 4, Motion carried.

Alex Behnke and Joey Maiers with Goldfinch GEO presented a geographic mapping system. This includes water mains, curb stops, sanitary sewer lines, manholes, storm lines and sidewalks. The council will discuss in the future the need for Elk Horn.

D. Petersen moved, seconded by K. Petersen to approve certifying $2,930.40 to 2011 High Street for concrete work to property taxes. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

K. Petersen moved, seconded by Hogberg, to approve Blue 1500 plan for Adam and his wife, $1,219.00 monthly paid by the city. Adam’s wage will decrease $3.00 down to $21.00 an hour for taking city health insurance. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

The council voted unanimously to not go with the Union Street service agreement for Snyder & Associates and would like to price asphalt with concrete curb and gutter going down Park Street.

Hogberg moved, seconded by Fredericksen to approve the USDA Change Order for 2022 Street & Storm Sewer Improvements for $12,815.22. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

Hogberg moved, seconded by D. Petersen to approve USDA Pay App #2 – Bluffs Paving (Sub Final) for $42, 779.88. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

Hogberg moved, seconded by K. Petersen to not approve subordinating the CDBG lien for 2018 Elm Street. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

Clerk: Teegerstrom moved, seconded by D. Petersen to approve a $40.00 a month phone stiped for Chelsee’s phone. Ayes:5 Motion carried. Chelsee will put together a RFP for the upcoming annual examination audit.

Streets: D. Petersen moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to approve purchasing $1,000.00 skid forks for the skid loader. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

Pool/Park: Fredericksen moved, seconded by K. Petersen to purchase a sprayer for weeds. Ayes:5 Motion carried. All the supplies for the putt putt area have been ordered and delivered. Pool House Schedule presented, construction to start in September. Chelsee stated $217,631.25 has been raised with more grants applied for.

Town Hall: July 7th & 8th -Opening the town hall for $10.00 a table for those who want to participate in the garage sales but don’t have the space.

Library: Fredericksen moved, seconded by D. Petersen to approve hiring Paulette Madson at $19.00/HR as the new Library Director. Wage to increase to $19.50 at 3 months with a positive evaluation and increase to $20.00 at 6 months with a positive evaluation. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

Building Permit: K. Petersen moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to approve permits for 4304 Main, 4244 Union, 4406 Bornholm, 2021 Tivoli, 2012 Washington. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

Mayor: Mayor Hansen spoke with Dollar General, encouraged DG to work directly with property owner for plans.

Council: Ordinances need to be enforced. The council has received numerous complaints about not following codes.

Teegerstrom moved, seconded by Hogberg to approve the Claims Register as presented. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

D. Petersen moved, seconded by Hogberg, to approve employee timesheets as presented. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

K. Petersen moved, seconded by Hogberg, to approve the financial report as presented. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

D. Petersen moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to enter Closed Session at 7:12PM Hotel Update- pursuant to Iowa code 21.5i. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

K. Petersen moved, seconded by Fredericksen to open the regular meeting again at 7:49PM. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

The council will have a special meeting on May 22nd, 2023, at 5:30 PM at the town hall for moving forward with RFPs for the Hotel.

Hogberg moved, seconded by Fredericksen to adjourn the meeting at 8:14PM. Ayes:5 Motion carried.

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