The City Council of Elk Horn met in regular session Wednesday July 5th, 2023, at 6:00 PM with the following members present: Mayor Hansen, Councilmen: Teegerstrom, Fredericksen and Hogberg. Absent: D. Petersen and K. Petersen.

Guests in attendance were Austin Sondag, and Eric Jorgensen from Snyder & Associates, Tim Plumb, Karen Schleuter, Alex Londo with Shelby County EMA, Lori Hoflen, Annette Madsen, and Chad Juelsgaard.

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

Fredericksen moved, seconded by Hogberg to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes 3, motion carried.

Hogberg moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to approve the June 5th, 2023, meeting minutes. Ayes 3, motion carried.

Shelby County EMS provided an update to become an Essential Service. EMS plans to have Town Hall meetings throughout the county to further discuss with taxpayers. It will be on the ballot for November’s election. This needs to be passed for the county to continue to have 24-7 ALS capabilities available after Medivac completes their contract.

Snyder & Associates presented the final plans and specifications for the Pool house project. Teegerstrom moved, seconded by Fredericksen to approve resolution 2023-7.1 – Authorizing Bid letting & setting public hearing. Bid letting submissions must be turned into City Hall by Thursday August 3rd at 2PM. Ayes 3. Motion carried.

Snyder & Associates presented the Wastewater preliminary engineering permit. Fredericksen moved, seconded by Hogberg, to approve the Wastewater permit for submittal. Ayes 3, motion carried.

Fence Ordinance Changes tabled till August 7th meeting.

Josh Nelson was approved by the Water in Progress internship program. This program allows Josh to work directly under the Public Works director while learning the roles of Water and wastewater operations. This program provides $5,000.00 in wages to help support future operators. Josh’s wages will be reimbursed to the city in full though the Water in Progress Internship. Hogberg moved, seconded by Fredericksen to approve $11.50 an hour for Josh’s internship wage. Ayes 3, Motion carried.

The Iowa DOT stated the tree at Washington & Main needs to be removed due to being in the ROW. The city will receive 2 bids for taking down the tree on Main Street and the remaining 9 trees in the park that are dead.

The hotel court hearing has been scheduled for August 24th, 2023.

Pool/Park: Raffle tickets are for sale to help raise money for the Pool House Project. Putt-Putt area renovation has begun.

Council: Numerous complaints have been noted for 4116 Madison Street, Clint will reach out to the homeowner for an update.

Hogberg moved, seconded by Teegerstrom to approve the Claims Register, Timesheets and Financial report as presented. Ayes 3, Motion carried.

Teegerstrom moved, seconded by Fredericksen to adjourn the meeting at 8:47PM. Ayes 3, motion carried.