

**November 13, 2017**

The City Council met in the Council Room on November 13, 2017 with the following members present: Chuck Steffenson, Monica Olson, Mayor Terry Aasness, Darek Buse & Bobbie Batesole and the following absent: NONE

Others Present: Richard Novotny, Robert & Colleen Shores, Ardell Hendrickson, Cal Lundeen, Dave Bedore, Jerry Buse and Diana Olson.

All present stood to say the pledge of allegiance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Aasness.

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Steffenson and carried to approve the November 13<sup>th</sup> agenda with the addition of Shores, correspondence, new fire department member and purchase of equipment.

Robert & Colleen Shores had their attorney send the Mayor a letter at City Hall about their assessments that still showed up on their property. The special assessment were paid and Diana missed taking it off. Diana contacted Vicki with Douglas County immediately to resolve the issue.

Council talked about the wellhead extension that they received a copy of. Terry was wondering why Diana signed the form as it said City Administrator/WHP Manager. She is the wellhead protection manager.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Steffenson and carried to approve the wellhead protection plan extension for 10 years.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Batesole and carried to approve the October 9<sup>th</sup> Council minutes.

The Council received copies of the quotes we got for the roof of the dental clinic. The flat roof ran around \$42,300 with the pitched roof running around \$27,000. The Council discussed about what they are going to do with the clinic once the City takes over ownership. They are going to figure that out once they take over ownership.

Council Member Bobbie Batesole introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION # 17-002**

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY

**WHEREAS**, local elected decision-makers are in the best position to determine what health, safety and welfare regulations best serve their constituents; and

**WHEREAS**, just like state legislative leaders, local elected officials are held accountable through Minnesota's robust elections process; and

**WHEREAS**, ordinances at the local level are enacted only after a comprehensive, legal and open process; and

**WHEREAS**, local units of government are required to publish notices about meetings where policies will be discussed and decisions will be made; and

**WHEREAS**, under the state's Open Meeting Law, public policy discussions and decisions must occur in meetings that are accessible to members of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, cities are often laboratories for determining public policy approaches to the challenges that face residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, preservation of local control in Minnesota has yielded statewide benefits such as the 2007 Freedom to Breathe Act, an amendment to the Minnesota Clean Indoor Air Act; and

**WHEREAS**, more than two dozen bills that restrict local decision-making have been introduced in 2017 to date.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSVILLE**, that this Council supports local decision-making authority and opposes legislation that removes the ability for local elected officials to respond to the needs of their businesses and constituents,.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Monica Olson and upon vote being taken the following voted in favor thereof: Monica Olson, Bobbie Batesole, Terry Aasness, Darek Buse and Chuck Steffenson

And the following voted against the same: NONE

WHEREUPON said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

There are 2 parcels in the City limits up for tax forfeiture. One is the old watertower property. Discussion was about the possibility of unsealed wells on that property. The Council was not interested in either parcel.

Council Member Monica Olson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION # 17-003

A RESOLUTION FOR TAX FORFEITURED LAND WITHIN THE CITY OF EVANSVILLE, MINNESOTA

WHEREAS, The City of Evansville, County of Douglas, State of Minnesota desires to offer for sale certain parcels of land that have forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of taxes, and

WHEREAS, said parcels of land have been viewed by the City of Evansville per instructions from Douglas County and shall be tax-forfeited lands handled by Douglas County per State Statues 85.012; 92.461; 282.01, Subd. 8 and 282.018

WHEREAS, the City of Evansville is not interested in obtaining either parcels of tax forfeited land and that said land shall go up for public auction

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City of Evansville hereby certifies all parcels of land as listed below for tax forfeiture. The County of Douglas shall handle all proceeding with the parcels listed below.

PARCELS:      72-0173-000  
                    72-0212-000

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Darek Buse and upon vote being taken the following voted in favor thereof: Monica Olson, Bobbie Batesole, Terry Aasness, Darek Buse and Chuck Steffenson

And the following voted against the same: NONE

WHEREUPON said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Steffenson and carried to approve the list of 2018 liquor and tobacco licenses.

**2018 Tobacco & Liquor Licenses**

Lon's Spur—Lonnie Lystrom		
-Tobacco License	#2	\$50.00
Hiway Amoco—Joan Anderson		
-Tobacco License	#3	\$50.00
Back Roads Steak House—Mahrie Ohren		
-Off-sale intoxicating Liquor License	#1	\$100.00
-On-sale intoxicating Liquor License	#1	\$1500.00
-Special Sunday On-sale Liquor License	#1	\$100.00
-Off-sale 3.2 Beer License	#1	\$5.00

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Batesole and carried to certify the delinquent water and sewer bills along with special assessments to the 2018 taxes.

**2017 Collected in 2018**

**City of Evansville**

Parcel Number	Name	Amount to be assessed
72-0212-000	Justin Carpenter	\$ 893.75
72-0187-000	Kristy Reisch	\$ 893.75
72-0277-100	Adam Schroeder	\$ 893.75
72-0166-000	Lloyd & Carolyn Dropps	\$ 712.49
72-0010-000	Donald Week	\$ 890.19
72-0277-370	Sharon Denardo	\$ 1,791.68
72-0277-500	Anthony & Tiffany Tate	\$ 1,799.20
72-0022-000	Earl Husted 5 year at 5% interest	\$ 9,187.50

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Steffenson and carried to have coffee/cookie day at City Hall. Diana will set a date.

The Council all got a copy of the City's Personnel Policy Handbook as it applies to all. Terry wanted to look into it as he felt it did not apply to the Council.

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Olson and carried to approve Kyle Steffenson onto the Fire Department.

Monica read the resignation letter from Jamie Englund.

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Batesole and carried to approve the resignation of maintenance worker Jamie Englund effective November 25, 2017.

A motion was made by Batesole, seconded by Buse and carried to approve the November bills and authorize payment. (List Attached)

A motion was made by Buse, seconded by Olson and carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 PM.

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Diana K. Olson