

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
Earlham City Council Meeting
March 11, 2019

The Earlham City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 11, 2019, at Earlham City Hall. Mayor Lillie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the following answered roll: Fredericksen, Griswold, Payne, Petersen, Swalla. Staff present: Clerk Hibbs, Police Chief Heimdal, Public Works Supervisor Coffman.

1. Approval of Agenda

Payne mentioned in item 2a, "\$7,000,000" should be "\$700,000"; and in item 8c, "\$70,000" should be \$700,000.

Motion by Fredericksen, second by Griswold, to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passes.

2. Public Hearings

- a. Proposition to authorize a loan agreement and the issuance of not to exceed \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes to evidence the obligation of the City thereunder (*water tower*). Mayor Lillie declared the public hearing open at 7:01 p.m. Clerk Hibbs stated there were no written or verbal comments received at City Hall. There were no other comments.

Motion by Griswold, second by Petersen, to close public hearing.

Roll: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passes. Public Hearing closed at 7:03 p.m.

- b. Proposition to authorize a loan agreement and the issuance of not to exceed \$700,000 Water Revenue Capital Loan Notes to evidence the obligations of the city thereunder (*water tower*). Mayor Lillie declared the public hearing open at 7:03 p.m. Hibbs stated there were no written or verbal comments received at City Hall. There were no other comments.

Motion by Griswold, second by Fredericksen, to close public hearing.

Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes. Public Hearing closed at 7:04 p.m.

- c. Ordinance No. 403 Amending The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Earlham, Iowa, 2017, Chapter 92 Water Rates

Mayor Lillie declared the public hearing open at 7:04 p.m. Hibbs stated there were no written or verbal comments received at City Hall. There were no other comments.

Motion by Griswold, second by Fredericksen, to close public hearing.

Roll: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passes. Public Hearing closed at 7:05 p.m.

3. Public Forum

Ray Warner and Rob Anderson with Aurean, formerly Iowa Network Service (INS), addressed Council about possibility of expanding fiber optics to Earlham. Want to meet with business community to tell them about services, to see if there is any interest. Attending with them was Tom Leners from the Madison County Development Group

4. Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of February 11, 2018 Council meeting
- b. March 11, 2019 Treasurer's report
- c. March 11, 2019 Claim & Receipts report
- d. Consider approval of Resolution No. 19-14, A Resolution to Participate in the Planning and Development Programs of the Southern Iowa Council of Governments.

Motion by Griswold, second by Swalla, to approve the consent agenda.

Roll: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passes.

5. Boards, Commission, Committee Reports - None

6. Department Reports

a. Public Works - Gary Coffman, Public Works Supervisor

Coffman stated most of their time has been spent on snow removal. There were two water main breaks in the past month on the same line. He stated we need to be thinking about a project to replace it. Mayor mentioned after finding out whether or not we receive a grant for the water tower, we can consider such a project. Coffman said work on residing and reroofing the city shed, from the hail damage, is complete. He also mentioned that while clearing snow from the Community Building parking lot, the flatbed truck hit the east side of the fire station. The claim has been sent to the insurance company.

b. Police - Police Chief Jason Heimdal

Chief Heimdal reported there were 10-12 snow parking tickets last month. Met with Madison County regarding getting Automatic Defibrillators in all patrol calls in the county.

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Consider approval of the First Reading of Ordinance No. 403 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Earlham, Iowa, 2017, Chapter 92 Water Rates

Motion by Fredericksen, second by Petersen, to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 403 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Earlham, Iowa, 2017, Chapter 92 Water Rates
Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

Motion by Fredericksen, second by Griswold, to approve waiving the Second and Third Readings of Ordinance No. 403 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Earlham, Iowa, 2017, Chapter 92 Water Rates

Roll: Fredericksen-aye, Griswold-aye, Payne-aye, Petersen-nay, Swalla-aye. Motion passes.

b. Consider approval of the First Reading of Ordinance No. 404 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Earlham, Iowa, 2017, Chapter 99.01, Revising Effective Date of Sewer Rate Increases to Coincide with Water Rate Increases.

Motion by Petersen, second by Swalla, to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 404 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Earlham, Iowa, 2017, Chapter 99.01, Revising Effective Date of Sewer Rate Increases to Coincide with Water Rate Increases.

Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

Motion by Griswold, second by Payne, to approve waiving the Second and Third Readings of Ordinance No. 404 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Earlham, Iowa, 2017, Chapter 99.01, Revising Effective Date of Sewer Rate Increases to Coincide with Water Rate Increases.

Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

c. Consider approval of Resolution No. 19-15 Instituting Proceedings to Take Additional Action for the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes.

Motion by Payne, second by Swalla, to approve Resolution No. 19-15 Instituting Proceedings to Take Additional Action for the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes

Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

d. Consider approval of Resolution No. 19-16, Authorizing the Issuance of \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2019A, and Levying a Tax for the Payment Thereof.

Motion by Swalla, second by Fredericksen, to approve Resolution No. 19-16 Authorizing the Issuance of \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2019A, and Levying a Tax for the Payment Thereof.

Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

- e. Consider approval of Resolution No. 19-17, Instituting Proceedings to Take Additional Action for the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$700,000 Water Revenue Capital Loan Notes
Motion by Petersen, second by Griswold, to approve Resolution No. 19-17 Instituting Proceedings to Take Additional Action for the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$700,000 Water Revenue capital Loan Notes
Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

 - f. Consider approval of motion set the date and time for public hearing on the FY2019/2020 Budget for March 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.
Motion by Griswold, second by Payne, to set March 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the FY 2019/2020 Budget.
Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

 - g. Discussion with Ryan Bargeon on purchase of Old Fire Station.
Mr. Bargeon was not present. Mayor Lillie said that in conversation, Mr Bargeon requested until June 30th to put together his financial plan. Following discussion, Council said it would give Mr. Bargeon until April 30th (just a little past his original 90 days). At that point, council will consider re-opening bids on the building. Hibbs will inform Mr. Bargeon

 - h. Consider approval of motion to approve sewer credit for 445 NW 6th Lot #1.
Motion by Fredericksen, second by Petersen, to approve sewer credit for 445 NW 6th Street, Lot #1.
Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

 - i. Discussion on possible hiring of Veenstra & Kimm Engineers to do new construction inspections. Mayor Lillie and Hibbs met with Jason VanAusdale, a building inspector from Veenstra & Kimm. Mayor explained with the possibility of new builders coming into Earlham, he believed we needed this service. Council agreed this should go to Public Safety Committee. Hibbs will contact Mr. VanAusdale to see if he could meet with committee Thursday, March 14th, following the Public Hearing.
9. Mayor's Report
Spoke with Boy Scouts regarding possibilities for Eagle Scout Projects.

 10. Clerk's Report

 11. Council comments/discussion

 12. Adjourn
Motion by Fredericksen, second by Petersen, to adjourn.
Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

Being there was no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Jeff Lillie, Mayor

Attest: _____
Mary Sue Hibbs, Clerk/Treasurer