

The Sheldon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Katricia Meendering called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Randy Fonkert, Brad Hindt, Greg Geels, and Zach Sawyer. Absent: Ron Rensink. Also present: Scott Wynja, Curt Strouth, Todd Uhl, Micah Schreurs, Lyle Bolkema, and Angela Beckman.

Public Comments: None

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Sawyer to approve the consent agenda with the following items:

- a. Minutes of August 19, 2015.
- b. Summary List of Claims, including additional claims as presented.
- c. Approval of the O'Brien County snowtrackers snowmobile route.
- d. Approval for Bethel Reformed Church to temporarily block off 7th Street, between 6th and 7th Avenue on Wednesday evenings from 5:15 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. beginning on September 16, 2015 through April 27, 2016.

Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Sheldon Golf Course is requesting a donation of 150' of surplus chain link fence from the City of Sheldon. Joel Bousema, Board member, thanked the Council for the support the past couple of years and stated they would like to use this fencing along the north side of the driving range. Wynja stated we have fencing left from the borrow pit, and there is not a specific use planned for the remaining 2000'. A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Sawyer to approve donating 150' of chainlink fence to the Sheldon Golf Course. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Sheldon Fire Department is requesting land to the west of the Public Works Building and east of the Wastewater Plant. They are planning to build a 40' X 60' building to store 2 antique fire trucks, training props, and extra supplies. They are requesting that City employees construct the building with the fire department paying for it with donations. Hindt stated that this could help with the ISO rating of the Department. Scott Meinecke of the Fire Department stated they would work with Uhl to decide on the location of the building, being some of the land may be needed for Street Department and Wastewater Department expansion in the future. A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Fonkert to allow the use of City employees to construct a 40' X 60' building for the fire department on City land west of Western Avenue, near the Public Works Department and Wastewater Plant, for a total estimated cost of \$40,000 paid by Fire Department donations. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Sawyer to approve Resolution R15-4184 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING WORK ON THE ACCESS AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT and

to release the retainer of \$13,548.65 to Vander Pol Excavating. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Fonkert asked what other area City's have for a Hotel/Motel Tax. Wynja explained that it appears that the ones he is aware of are between 5% and 7%. A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Geels to approve Resolution R15-4185 A RESOLUTION APPROVING PLACEMENT ON THE BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015, OF THE FOLLOWING: IOWA HOTEL AND MOTEL TAX TO BE IMPOSED AT 7.00% WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF SHELDON, IOWA. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Staff Comments: Uhl stated that Runger Street is coming along nicely. The storm sewer is nearly complete, and they have started on the watermains. Knife River will be here next week to start on the street work in the City and plan to be done by the 12th of September.

Council Comments: Hindt stated we are getting close to having the new fire truck delivered, and they will liquidate engine 1.

A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Hindt to adjourn at 4:51 p.m. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Angela Beckman, City Clerk