

Hills City Council Meeting  
April 10, 2017  
7:00 PM  
Hills Fire Station Meeting Room

The Hills City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Kemp at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2017 at the Hills Fire Station Meeting Room.

Council members present were: Thom Kirkpatrick, Steve Harris, Merle Hill, Cathy Knebel and Bruce Endris. Absent: None. Also present: Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator, Ron Wolfe, Public Works, Erek Sittig, City Attorney, and Matt Pantel, Asst. Fire Chief.

**Consent Agenda:** A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Knebel to approve the consent agenda including agenda items, minutes from the Meeting of March 27, 2017, Scheduled list of claims, receipts from March 24, 2017 thru April 7, 2017, Treasurer's Report and Budget Report . Ayes:5. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Business:**

Resolution 2017-08 was presented to fix a date for a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a Sewer Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000. The hearing will be held April 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. The funds will be used for the Wastewater Improvement Project. A motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Endris to approve Resolution 2017-08. Roll call: Ayes: Knebel, Endris, Kirkpatrick, Hill, Harris. Resolution 2017-08 approved.

The City received an estimate from LL Pelling for seal coat work on City streets. Ron has reviewed and recommends approval of the work estimated at \$14,569.35. A motion to approve the work with Pelling was made by Endris and seconded by Harris. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

Attorney: No report.

Fire Chief: Open burning is set until April 30, 2017.

Maintenance: No report.

Sewer: No report

Water: No report

Administrator: Cathy discussed a proposal by Jody Bailey in regard to the cat population. She asked that the City stop all efforts to relocate cats. She is working with the Johnson County Humane Society to sterilize and vaccinate stray cats and has already completed the process with 15 cats. She explained that her efforts may prove more successful over time as the population is expected to decrease significantly within 7-10 years. While cats removed, generally, will find their way back and reproduce. The Council agreed to support this method. Cathy will work with Jody.

Cathy met with Kevin Trom to discuss the SRF sponsored project which will be downscaled some due to the lower bid on the Wastewater Improvement Project. New plans will be submitted.

Woodruff has signed the contract for the Wastewater Project and a pre-construction meeting will be set soon.

Cathy offered information on the Census LUCA program and recommends the City participate to ensure all city addresses are accounted for.

Mayor: No report

**Council Comments:**

Bruce received information from Electric Pump on pumps for the Wastewater Project. He felt it would be a good idea to be consistent in the type of pumps at the lift stations. It was suggested that Electric Pump should contact Woodruff.

A Motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Hill to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

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Tim Kemp, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator