

Hills City Council Meeting  
May 13, 2019  
7:00 PM  
Hills Fire Station Meeting Room

The regular Hills City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Kemp at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2019 at the Hills Fire Station Meeting Room.

Present: Council members: Merle Hill, Cathy Knebel, Christine Peters, Steve Harris and Teresa Volk. Absent: None. Also present: Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator and Ere Sittig, City Attorney.

**Consent Agenda:** A Motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Peters to approve the consent agenda approving agenda, minutes from April 22, 2019 Council Meeting, scheduled list of claims, receipts from April 20, 2019 thru May 9, 2019, Treasurer's Report, Budget Report, Casey's Cigarette Permit Renewal, and Casey's Liquor License Class LE. Ayes:5. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Ann Draker, representing St. Joseph's Church, gave the Council information on a community event the Church is sponsoring for July. They would like to reach out to more Hills residents and welcome new residents to town. There will be games/ prizes/entertainment and food. She asked the Council for help with the event. Mayor Kemp explained that the Council could not, as a group, promote an event intended to bring people to the Church but individual members of the Council could help. The City can provide information in its newsletter along with the website and facebook.

**Business:**

The City received estimates for both a vinyl (\$3892) and wood fence(\$2616.83) for the splash pad park. Council felt the vinyl would look better and be a better investment as it would not require the regular maintenance that the wood fence would. A Motion was made by Volk and seconded by Peters to approve the installation of the vinyl fence at \$3892. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

The City received estimates to replace computers in the Clerk Office. The accounting software recommends desk tops. The estimates are for 2 computers/3 monitors and updated word software. Rock Technology \$2713 and Heartland \$3802.50. A Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Hill to purchase equipment from Rock Technology. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-10 was presented approving and authorizing the Mayor to sign Agreement with Iowa Economic Development Authority Community Catalyst & Remediation Grant Program. A motion was made by Peters and seconded by Knebel to approve Resolution 2019-10. Roll Call: Ayes: Peters, Knebel, Volk, Harris, Hill. Resolution 2019-10 approved.

Resolution 2019-11 was presented approving and authorizing the Mayor to sign Development Agreement with Coffelt and Zwick Holdings, LLC for the Community Catalyst & Remediation Grant Program. A motion was made by Hill and seconded by Knebel to approve Resolution 2019-10. Roll Call: Ayes: Hill, Knebel, Harris, Volk, Peters. Resolution 2019-10 approved.

The City received a request from Brian Stevens to recommend approval to remove property located at 5281 Oak Crest Hill RD SE from the flood plain. This has been reviewed by City Engineer Trom and recommended for approval. A Motion was made by Harris and seconded by Volk to approve the request. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

Council discussed cancelling regular meeting set for May 27, 2019, Memorial Day and setting special meeting. A Motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Peters to cancel the meeting for May 27, 2019 and set special meeting for May 29, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Ayes: 5 Motion carried.

City received an estimate from Port 'O' Jonny, Inc. to provide a handicap unit for the Splash Pad park for the summer to be billed monthly at a rate of \$115. This includes one weekly service. A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Harris to approve the contract. Ayes: 5. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

Attorney: No report.

Fire Chief: No report

Maintenance: No report.

Sewer: Wastewater plant is operating well. Matt installed the UV and it is performing well.

Water: Water plant is operating in the original design mode. No issues have been noted with the tower fill line. Train #1 has a pH probe that is out of range and cannot be calibrated or repaired. A new one has been ordered.

Administrator: Site plan for development on Lots 7 & 10 on Main Street has been approved by P&Z. Tables received for Splash Pad, trash/recycle ordered. Shive-Hattery working on stage and drainage study.

Mayor: No report.

Council Comments: None

A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Volk to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Ayes:5. Motion carried.

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Tim Kemp, Mayor

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Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator