

Hills City Council Meeting
October 22, 2018
7:00 PM
Hills Fire Station Meeting Room

The regular Hills City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Kemp at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, October 22, 2018 at the Hills Fire Station Meeting Room.

Present: Council members: Merle Hill, Christine Peters, Cathy Knebel, and Teresa Volk. Absent: Steve Harris. Also present: Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator, Matt Pantel, Hills Fire Chief and Public Works, and Erek Sittig, City Attorney.

Consent Agenda: A Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Volk to approve the consent agenda approving agenda, minutes from October 8, 2018 Council Meeting, scheduled list of claims, and receipts from October 6, 2018 thru October 19, 2018. Ayes:4. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Business:

Council reviewed an Urban Chicken Application from Scott & Michelle Rummelhart at 208 Adams requesting approval for 12 hens. A Motion was made by Volk and seconded by Knebel to approve the application. Ayes:4. Motion carried.

Fire Truck #85 is in need of repairs, two head gaskets and a radiator. The estimate for the repairs is \$6,000. A Motion was made by Knebel and seconded by Hill to approve the repairs. Ayes:4. Motion carried.

A proposal for the IEDA Community Catalyst Grant was presented by Dan Zwick as owner of the property at 104 East Main. The building is in need for complete remodel including structural repairs, drainage, roof, gutter, exterior, electrical and plumbing, as well as a possible remodel of the vacant area for a business or residence. A basic estimate for repairs is about \$90,000 which does not include the remodel. The building is eligible for the Catalyst Grant. The grant must be submitted by the City along with a showing of support from the City, either funding or in kind support. The City did not receive any other proposals. A Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Hill to move forward with submitting an application under the Catalyst Grant Program. Ayes:4. Motion carried.

An MPO traffic study was completed on Oak Crest Hill Road which recommends a gradual reduction in speed from 500th Street at 45 mph to Main Street at 35 mph. This would involve parts of the County road. The Council directed the study be provided to Secondary Roads and request the changes be considered by the County.

Attorney Sittig provided an update on the Moen hearing scheduled for October 25th and the next steps in the action filed against the City by the Moens.

Reports:

Attorney: No report.

Fire Chief: A new member was added to the Department, Paul Wilson, bringing the roster to 24 volunteers.

Maintenance: Tree planted at the splash pad. Last First Monday Pickup is November 5th.

Sewer: No report.

Water: No report

Administrator: No report.

Mayor: A joint meeting with the ICCSD Board will be scheduled in January.

Council Comments: None

A Motion was made by Hill and seconded by Volk to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Ayes:4. Motion carried.

Tim Kemp, Mayor

Cathy Fitzmaurice-Hill, City Administrator