

CITY OF HARLAN – HARLAN, IOWA – September 5th, 2017

The City Council of the City of Harlan, Iowa met pursuant to law and the rules of said Council in regular session in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 5:15 o'clock P.M. the 5th day of September 2017. The meeting was called to order by Kate Kohorst, Mayor in the Chair, and the following Council members were:

PRESENT: Mike Kolbe, Dave Pedersen, Sharon Kroger, Greg Bladt, Dave Miller, Jay Christensen

ABSENT: None

The City Clerk presented the agenda. It was moved by Kroger and seconded by Miller to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor asked the Council members to state any conflicts of interest, as applicable.

It was moved by Bladt and seconded by Kolbe that the following items contained in the Consent Agenda be approved and adopted:

All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion with a roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion. Consent Agenda items may include any non-controversial subjects.

- a. Minutes of the 08/15/17 Council meeting
- b. Claims List No. 1152 in the amount of \$186,073.71
- c. Renewal application by Shopko Hometown #682, 2099 Chatburn Ave, Class B Wine Permit, Class C Beer Permit (BC), & Sunday Sales
- d. Renewal Application by Victoria Station, 407 Victoria St, Class C Liquor License (LC) Commercial

A roll call vote was had which was as follows:

Ayes: Kolbe, Pedersen, Kroger, Bladt, Miller, Christensen
Nays: None

The motion carried and the Consent Agenda items were approved and adopted.

Denny Siemers was present to discuss expanding the Christmas Light displays and announced fundraising will begin throughout the community. He thanked the City and HMU for helping install and remove the Christmas lights. Hotel/Motel Tax has awarded \$2,500 this year. Future needs will be storage options and help with installation and removal of lights and displays.

It was moved by Kroger and seconded by Bladt to approve The Memorandum of Understanding clarifying the Union Contract's clothing allowance. The motion carried unanimously.

The next agenda item addressed was yard signs. After review and discussion, it was moved by Pedersen and seconded by Kolbe to initiate sign education and enforce compliance by not allowing placement of signs in the right-of-way. The motion carried unanimously. Generally described, the right-of-way is the area between the street and sidewalk. Current ordinance language prohibiting signs in the right-of-way exists, yet it has generally not been a problem. Property owners should begin making changes immediately, with enforcement to begin November 1st. The City will notify people after an initial violation and ask for removal. If not corrected the City will remove the signs and/or a municipal infraction will be filed against the sign owner or property owner. Signs of all types are prohibited such as professional service signs, real estate signs, political signs, garage sale signs, graduation/birthday party signs, etc. Signs are allowed to be placed on personal property, just not within the right-of-way.

The City Administrator presented his report.

The City Clerk presented her report.

The Mayor presented her report and read a proclamation in support of Constitution Week, September 17-23, 2017. It was moved by Miller and seconded by Kroger to approve the Proclamation supporting Constitution Week, September 17-23, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Kolbe and seconded by Christensen to approve the Board of Adjustment recommendation to appoint Ruthanne Grimsley to the Board of Adjustment for a 4-year term, to expire 9/1/2021. The motion carried unanimously.

Council member Miller introduced **Resolution No. 2300, entitled “RESOLUTION FOR APPROVING THE OFFICIAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR CITY STREETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017”** and moved its adoption. Council Member Pedersen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was had which was as follows:

Ayes: Kolbe, Pedersen, Kroger, Bladt, Miller, Christensen
Nays: None

The motion carried unanimously and the resolution was duly adopted.

Mayor Kohorst introduced Ordinance No. 2017-14 – **AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE 2017-13 OF THE CITY OF HARLAN, IOWA, AND ADOPTING NEW SECTIONS 22.02, 22.03 & 22.04(2) AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE REPEALED ORDINANCE BY ESTABLISHING MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES.**

It was moved by Kolbe and seconded by Pedersen that Ordinance No 2017-14 now be read for the first time. A roll call vote was had which was as follows:

Ayes: Kolbe, Pedersen, Kroger, Bladt, Miller, Christensen
Nays: None
The motion carried.

It was moved by Bladt and seconded by Kroger that the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 2017-14 be dispensed and that it be placed upon its final adoption. A roll call vote was had which was as follows:

Ayes: Kolbe, Pedersen, Kroger, Bladt, Miller, Christensen
Nays: None
The motion carried and the ordinance was duly adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

Jane Smith, City Clerk

Kathleen Kohorst, Mayor

“These minutes are as recorded by the Clerk and are subject to Council approval at the next regular meeting.”