

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DAVENPORT CITY COUNCIL  
February 28, 2018**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Brad Sweet called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present were: Patrick Katz, Nathan Hansen, Corey Hollis, Lance Strite, and Theresa Telford.

Absent: Pete Schweiger

Motion to Excuse: Theresa Telford made a motion to excuse Pete Schweiger from the meeting due to illness. The motion was seconded by Lance Strite. The motion carried.

Also present were: Sean Burke, Dan Clark, John Doyle, John Erickson, Margie Hall, Gene Hein, Ean Henderson, Makaylah Katz, Abbey Kysar, Zeke Johnson, Steve Goemmel, Dave Leath, Ruthie Massie, Oscar Ruelas, Mikayla Siegert, Marcia Smith, Mark Smith and Ava Tikka.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Theresa Telford made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Lance Strite. The motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

*1. Updating the Six Year Street Plan @ 7:05 p.m.* – Mayor Sweet opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. Mayor Sweet asked for questions or comments from the City Council. City Administrator Steve Goemmel told the City Council that they are required to update the plan annually. Steve said that three grant funded projects were awarded for 2018. The plan has been updated to reflect this. Patrick Katz asked if we were adding roadways to the list when one drops off. Steve said that we do add more streets to the list as grant funding becomes available.

Mayor Sweet asked for questions or comments from the public. There were none. He closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

**CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Mayor Sweet added to New Business:

- Resolution 2018-05-Allowing the Vacation of Alleyways within Essig's Addition.
- Appointment of a replacement for City Council Position Two.

**COMMENT / SIGN IN SHEET**

Margie Hall signed in to voice her support of Hill Crest LLC, Inc.'s Preliminary Plat application.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Street Committee**

Theresa Telford reported that the Committee met to discuss the sign ordinance in town. She said the Committee discussed the size of signs allowed and how to deal with people who put up a signs without proper permits or authority. Theresa said the Committee has no recommendations for the City Council at this time.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Sweet told the City Council about the blood drive at Davenport High School on Monday, March 5, 2018. He encouraged everyone to participate.

The Mayor announced that the Lincoln County Fire Commissioners are having a public meeting in Memorial Hall on March 19, 2018 to show off the plans for their new fire station. He hoped everyone would attend.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. *Second Reading of Ordinance 1125 – Amending Chapter 13.04, Section 360, Neighbors Helping Neighbors.* Nathan Hansen told the City Council that he researched RCW 59.18.00 and R.C.W 59.18.130 that have to do with the responsibility of landlords and tenants. Nathan said that renters have the right to receive a utility bill under these statutes. Nathan said he feels like renters should have the right to apply for help from the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund. Patrick Katz disagreed with Nathan commenting that the landlords should be responsible for tenants who can't pay their utility bills. Mayor Sweet agreed with Patrick. Nathan said he didn't agree with that position and he would not vote for the ordinance in its current form.

Lance Strite made a motion to accept Ordinance 1125 at its second and final reading. The motion was seconded by Patrick Katz. Cory Hollis, Patrick Katz, Theresa Telford, and Lance Strite voted for the motion. Nathan Hansen voted against the motion. The motion carried four votes to one.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. *Preliminary Plat Approval for Hill Crest, LLC.* – Dan Clark representing Hill Crest, LLC asked the City Council to approve their preliminary plat to build 36 multi-family units and 115 single-family residences. Mayor Sweet recognized Davenport Planning Commission Chairman Gene Hein. Gene reported that the Planning Commission unanimously approved the “Preliminary Plat for Hill Crest, LLC” at their last meeting with the stipulation that multi-family units larger than a duplex will require a zone change. The Mayor thanked Gene for his report.

City Administrator Steve Goemmel asked Mr. Clark to avoid placement of any waterlines under the roads. Dan said that he would make sure there were no waterlines under the roadways in the final plat.

Lance Strite made a motion to approve the preliminary plat for Hill Crest, LLC. Cory Hollis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. *Resolution 2018-02 Allowing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with DW Excavating, Inc.* – City Administrator Steve Goemmel told the City Council that DW Excavating was the apparent low bidder for two waterline projects and three sewer line replacement projects. Steve said he sent out the bid specs to four contractors and only two of them submitted a bids.

Theresa Telford made a motion to accept Resolution 2018-02. The motion was seconded by Patrick Katz. The motion carried.

3. *Resolution 2018-03 Allowing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Office of the Secretary of State, Washington State Library Division.* City Administrator Steve Goemmel told the City Council that this agreement allows Davenport to join together with six other libraries from Adams County and Lincoln County to form a consortium to use the Koha system. Steve said it's a three year agreement and the State of Washington pays for two years. Patrick Katz commented that he didn't see an amount on the agreement that the City would have to pay for the third year. Steve estimated the cost in the last year of the agreement to be \$700.

Patrick Katz made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-03. The motion was seconded by Theresa Telford. The motion carried.

4. *Resolution 2018-04 Revising and Updating the Six-Year Street Plan.* Theresa Telford made a motion to accept Resolution 2018-04. The motion was seconded by Patrick Katz. The motion carried.

5. *Resolution 2018-05 Allowing the Vacation of Alleyways within Essig's Addition.* City Administrator Steve Goemmel told the City Council that John Erickson, who is interested in purchasing some lots in Essig's Addition, brought in a survey of the lots that said “alley may not be vacated.” Mr. Erickson would like to vacate the alleyway to better site his new home. Steve said there are no city utilities in the alleyway and after consultation with MRSC, the city engineer, and the county assessor, could find no reason not to

allow alleyway vacations in this area. Steve asked the City Council to accept this resolution to clarify this issue.

Patrick Katz made a motion to accept Resolution 2018-5. The motion was seconded by Cory Hollis. The motion carried.

*6. Appointment of a Replacement for City Council Position Two.* Mayor Sweet told the City Council that the City received one letter of interest to fill the open seat on the City Council. Chris Ruiz submitted a letter of interest but the City Council was unable to interview him because he was out on a fire call. The Mayor suggested interviewing Mr. Ruiz on March 14, 2018. The City Council agreed.

#### **APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS**

Patrick Katz made a motion to accept Claims/Vouchers #14341 - #14359 in the amount of \$11,731.34. The motion was seconded by Theresa Telford. The motion carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Nathan Hansen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Lance Strite. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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David M. Leath City Clerk/Treasurer

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Mayor Brad Sweet