

Keithsburg City Council Minutes
Held at 302 S. 14th Street
September 12, 2011

Mayor Askew Opened the Meeting at 6:30 PM

Alderman Physically Present: Roy Pritchett, Davina Logsdon, Jeff Gilmour, George Askew and Neil Nylin. Maxine Henry was absent.

Minutes of last month meeting: George made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Cash Receipts: Neil made a motion to accept; Davina seconded, accepted by all.

Cash Disbursements: George had an issue with paying \$15.00 a gallon for weed killer. Neil made a motion to not accept the cash disbursements until after a few things are discussed in closed meeting, Roy seconded, accepted by all.

Mayor Askew mentioned he has been working with the DNR and Corps of Engineers and they have agreed to fill the bank along the campground with the sand they are dredging.

Semi-Parking Ordinance Revisions: No dropping of trailers, no parking on Main Street and no parking where it distracts traffic. The revisions are not complete therefore, Neil made a motion to table until next month; George seconded, accepted by all.

Water/Sewer Locator: Neil made a motion to table until next month; George seconded, accepted by all.

IKE Funding Engineering RFQ Packets: Roy explained Mayor Askew and Terri Gibson reviewed all of the engineering packets and they rated them using DCEO recommended scoring system. Roy then reviewed the rating system and he recommended hiring MSA for the Streets, Levee

and Storm Water Pumps RFQ's. Roy explained they are the most qualified in dealing with disaster recovery grants, Davina seconded, accepted by all.

Open Midwest Checking Accounts for Grants: Roy made a motion to accept the resolution giving Nancy Nylin (Treasurer) authorization to open checking accounts for the Streets, Levee and Storm Water Pumps, Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Comprehensive Planning Program: Steve Haring explained the contract was signed and the planning dollars will be available for long term. Roy thanked MSA for all their help regarding the grants.

Eagle Scout Project (Welcome to Keithsburg sign): Mayor Askew explained Tony Nylin will be working on an Eagle Scout project and he would like to make new welcome to Keithsburg signs. The amount of signs will depend on how much money he can raise. Mayor Askew suggested putting one on the south side of levee at elevator corner. George asked about the sign that was made by Allan Miller several years ago.

Appropriation Ordinance: Roy made a motion to accept; Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Caitlin Brown Fire Department

Application: Neil made a motion to accept; Davina seconded, accepted by all.

Trick or Treat: Roy made a motion for trick or treat to be October 31, 2011 from 6:00-8:00 Neil seconded, accepted by all.

Grants for Storm Emergency Sirens and Generator: Mayor Askew will keep everyone updated with an email.

Streets: Mark Heater the part-time summer help currently makes \$8.25 an hour and he is asking for a \$1.00 raise. Neil made a motion to discuss this in closed meeting later, George seconded, accepted by all.

Police Department: The city received a letter from the Village of Seaton asking to contract with them for police protection. The council heard they have approached the City of Aledo and they are possibly going to contract the hours with them. Neil made a motion not to accept a contract with the Village of Seaton at this time, Roy seconded, accepted by all.

Campground: Elsie took in \$6,529.00 over Labor Day Weekend, which is a record.

Fish Fest: 32 entries in the golf cart parade, 75 entries in the fishing contest, served 294 dinners at the fish fry prior to the storm, music and fireworks were great. Still have T-shirts for sale at city hall. Davina thanked everyone for all their help.

Marina: Steve talked with Mike (investors) and they are ready to start building the marina. Steve asked if the city ever addressed the levee issues with the corps of engineers. Mayor Askew will take care of this.

Halloween Donation: Carole and Randy Willits are asking the city for a donation to continue the Halloween festivities. Modern Woodman is no longer contributing. Davina made a motion to donate \$200.00; George seconded, accepted by all.

Davina made a motion to go into closed meeting to discuss litigation and personnel, Jeff seconded, accepted by all.

Cash Disbursements: Davina made a motion to pay the bills but don't purchase anymore of the \$15 weed killer; George seconded, accepted by all.

Mark Heater Raise: George made a motion to accept giving Mark a \$1.00 raise; Davina seconded, accepted by all. The council all agreed to allow Mark to operate any of the city's equipment that he feels he is capable of operating including but not limited to the backhoe, also allow Mark to do the water and sewer digging if he feels he is capable.

Davina made motion to adjourn, George seconded, accepted by all.

Time: 7:50pm

Terri Gibson
City Clerk