

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 7, 2024
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on November 7, 2024, at 501 Main Street. Mayor Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were nine council members present, none absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Tyler Walker, Roslyn Garcia, Dorothy Cackley, Devon Dade, Steve Andrews, Dan Tillman, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Emmanuel Bellegarde, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills, Fire Chief Gabe Rose, Police Chief Zeth Baum, Assistant Police Chief Andrew Whitaker and other city staff.

Mayor Mahoney swore in Emmanuel Bellegarde as City Administrator, and Andrew Whitaker as Assistant Police Chief.

MAYOR’S CORRESPONDENCE: Informed of events around the area.

Motion made by Dade, second by Walker to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of October 17, 2024;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 136-2024:** Approving a Liquor License for Dr. Get Wells Bar & Grill, 1100 Main Street, Class C Retail Alcohol License -effective November 24, 2024;
- Resignation of Amanda Rogers from the Rand Park Pavilion Commission, effective October 22, 2024;
- Appointment of Terry Brackelsberg to the Veterans Memorial Commission, fulfilling a term to expire June 1, 2028;
- Sidewalk Display Permit for Lou & Jo Clothing Co., 13 N. 6th Street;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.’s 5437-5438;

Mayor Mahoney opened the public hearing at 5:37 p.m. granting a permanent encroachment to Keokuk Community School District for a block retaining wall and concrete pad to accommodate bleachers. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on October 29, 2024.

COMMENTS: Broomhall gave overview and recommended a safety barrier be in place for the bleachers. Kathy Dinger, Superintendent for KCS D was available for questions.

Mayor Mahoney closed the public hearing at 5:39 p.m.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 137-2024**: “A RESOLUTION GRANTING A PERMANENT ENCROACHMENT TO KEOKUK COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A BLOCK RETAINING WALL AND A CONCRETE PAD TO COMMODATE BLEACHERS.” (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Tillman to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 138-2024**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 ANNUAL FINANCE REPORT.” (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Council Member Garcia acknowledged several City retirees from the past three years, honoring their service and contributions.

STAFF REPORTS: Broomhall requested a code revision meeting be set up, asked for incentives to attract new business, and informed of a pending lawsuit; Baum acknowledged and expressed gratitude to the officers who volunteered their time in honoring two retired police officers who recently passed away and in distributing Halloween candy to the community.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Tillman to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m.