

Minutes of the Delaware City Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Mayor Fishler called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Roll call of members present: Rick Lahr, Barb Ries, Kevin Clark, Larry Tibbott, Kevin Palmersheim.
Absent: None.

Also present: Alex Elgin, Dean Hendricks.

Building Permit Applications/Livestock Applications

Heather Ostrander informed the Council they would like to add a room to the back of the trailer at 111 West Main Street and reviewed their building permit application with the Council. Motion by Ries, seconded by Tibbott to approve the building permit application of Kevin & Heather Ostrander for the property at 111 West Main Street for an addition to the rear of the building. On call of roll: Ayes: Lahr, Ries, Clark, Tibbott, Palmersheim. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the livestock application from Tom Schirmer for the property at 110 West Virginia Street. Motion by Palmersheim, seconded by Lahr to approve the livestock application for 110 West Virginia Street for Tom Schirmer to allow for horses at the property. On call of roll: Ries, Clark, Tibbott, Palmersheim, Lahr. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Nuisances

The Council discussed options for live trapping feral cats in town.

Sewer Lagoons

The Council discussed the fence removal and replacement. Fishler informed the Council he had heard back from Palas Fencing and they were the same price as 4J Fencing and could get to the project as soon as the fence was removed. The Council discussed the fencing. Motion by Palmersheim, seconded by Tibbott to approve the quote from Palas Fencing to replace the fence at the lagoons. On call of roll: Clark, Tibbott, Palmersheim, Lahr, Ries. Nays: None. Motion carried. Tibbott noted that he still has someone interested in placing sheep at the lagoons once the fence is repaired. Discussion was held on the weeds and thistles at the lagoons. Elgin stated he would contact Greg Bonert to see if he could do the spraying.

Set Work Days

Discussion was held on the fence removal at the lagoons. Motion by Palmersheim, seconded by Ries to rent a track hoe from Palmer's to assist in the removal. On call of roll: Tibbott, Palmersheim, Lahr, Ries, Clark. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Council discussed street maintenance options.

Approval of Cigarette Permit & Liquor License Renewal for Gary's Liquor & Wine

Motion by Lahr, seconded by Ries to approve the cigarette permit and liquor license renewal for Gary's Liquor & Wine. On call of roll: Ayes: Palmersheim, Lahr, Ries, Clark, Tibbott. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Department Reports

Fire/Civil Defense: The Fire Department is getting ready for their breakfast on June 16, 2024.

Streets: Nothing further.

Park: The picnic fundraiser will be on May 29, 2024 at the City Park. The City received a grant from the Foundation for the Future of Delaware County for mulch under the swing sets. Ries clarified that the money received for the park project had come from grants and donations and that it did not have to be repaid. Discussion was held on the drinking fountain/water bottle filling station.

Water: Elgin informed the Council that he was resigning from his position with the City and that he will assist the City during the transition as needed. Hendricks will assist in training a couple of people on how the water sampling needs to be done. Hendricks also noted that the consumer confidence report was done and available for residents, and that they would be flushing hydrants the following week.

Sewer: Draining on the lagoons started on Sunday. Hendricks discussed with the Council the concerns the IDNR had on the drainpipe.

Other Business

Fishler informed the Council that the cameras have been installed at the brush dump and water building.

Standing Business

Motion by Ries, seconded by Tibbott to approve the following standing business items: the minutes of the April 10, 2024 Special & Regular City Council meeting & the minutes of the April 24, 2024 Special City Council meeting; the payment of the bills; the Delaware County Sheriff's Office April 2024 Report; and the April 2024 Revenue and Expense Report. On call of roll: Lahr, Ries, Clark, Tibbott, Palmersheim. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Palmersheim, seconded by Tibbott that the meeting adjourn at 6:58pm. Motion carried, all ayes.

Erin Learn, City Clerk