

Public Notice
Hazleton City Council Meeting
October 23rd, 2019

Hazleton City Council meeting held at the City Hall called to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7:00 PM by Mayor Miller. Council members present, Hayzlett, Lujan, Michels &, Seiffert. Also present: City Clerk Baych, Public Works Loomis & Fire Chief Dettbarn. Seiffert/Michels moved to approve the printed agenda, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Seiffert/Hayzlett motioned to approve the consent agenda, a) September 18th, 2019 minutes b) Clerk Report, c) Disbursements, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments were given.

BUCHANAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT: The record of performance for the City of Hazleton was 84.02 hours with 86 records. Report on file.

HAZLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Dettbarn stated during Fire Prevention Week the department distributed 35 smoke detectors. That brings the total of detectors to 300 distributed through the years.

PUBLIC WORKS: Loomis stated the drawdowns at the lagoons are completed. Maguire was onsite and inspected the water tower with a drone and everything checked out fine. Electric pump will be onsite November 5th to service the lift stations. Mayor Miller questioned if the generator was still calling him on alarms and Loomis stated that was fixed when Cummings serviced the generator.

CITY CLERK: Baych informed council on the IMFOA Conference. She stated Christmas at the Depo in Independence will be November 9th – December 8th and the City & Fire Department will decorate wreaths and the Commercial Club & United Neighbors will decorate trees. We are excepting donations at City Hall for the Kids Christmas Shopping.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION: George Lake & Lisa Kremer with Buchanan County Economic Development addressed the council on creating an environment for growth. They discussed their support on existing businesses, encouraging new business, housing & marketing Buchanan County as a great place to live and work. Hannah Penny not onsite. Jane Heckert with the Commercial Club was not on site. Clerk Baych asked the council if they would consider donating some of the bottled water left over to be placed in the trick-or treat bags the club distributes at Halloween. Mayor Miller stated the water was given to the City for emergency use during last year's water main break. She felt the water should be kept for future emergencies. Hayzlett stated he would gladly donate water for the Halloween bag giveaway. Lujan/Seiffert moved to approve trick-or treating on October 31st from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00p.m., Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Lujan/Hayzlett moved to approve United Neighbors use of the Legion for the Community Thanksgiving on Nov. 28th, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Hayzlett/Michels moved to approve the Commercial Club use of the Legion & 103 Hayes St W on Dec. 7th & 8th for Kids Christmas Shopping & Santa, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Mayor Miller informed the council on concerns that were raised during the walk through with DOT on a future detour on Hayes Street regarding the West Bridge. A motion by Lujan, second Seiffert to have IIW do an additional inspection on the bridge, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Lujan/Michels moved to table approving the mayor sign Iowa DOT detour until the bridge inspection is complete, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Hayzlett asked that additional speed zone signs be put in place if the detour is passed. Seiffert/Hayzlett moved to approve Barron's quote for batteries for the dump truck, Roll Call, All Ayes. Mayor Miller stated a resident on Benton Street W had asked the city to install an addition street light on that block. Alliant Energy provided a quote for the cities cost of a light and also a quote if the resident wanted an addition light. No motion was made for the city to install an additional street light. A discussion on the user group training for the city clerk was held. Lujan stated she didn't feel the clerk needed to attend both days of training for the city software. Mayor Miller stated Baych informed her she was fine with only attending the 2nd day. Lujan had been in touch with the software company and they will go back to providing training at closer locations in 2020. Hayzlett/Michels moved to invest in the city employee and approve the clerk attend both Nov. 12th & 13 user group training in Des Moines,

Roll Call Michels yes, Hayzlett yes, Seiffert no, Lujan no. Motion failed. Seiffert motioned the clerk attend no days of training because it will be available in Waverly. Miller stated yes but that is not until 2020. No second. Hayzlett/Michels motioned the clerk attend the one day (Nov. 13) of training, a heated discussion on the total amount of money spent on training including mileage, hotels ect took place. Mayor Miller stated the council need to inform themselves prior to a meeting. All expenses are in the claims report. Roll Call Lujan no, Hayzlett yes, Seiffert no, Michels yes, motion failed. Seiffert/Michels moved to approve the city clerk attend Budget Workshop training in Cedar Falls Dec. 3rd, Roll Call All Ayes, motion approved. Hayzlett/Michels moved to approve Municipal Leadership Academy training for elected officials, Hayzlett stated not to worry about his cost he will pay for it himself if he chooses to go, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Miller stated a request from a resident came in asking for reimbursement for watering the right of way on Westline Drive. No motion was made for reimbursement.

MAYOR REPORT: Mayor Miller informed council that the Buchanan County Animal Shelter article in the paper stating they were writing a grant for the City of Hazleton on the spay, neuter release program is not accurate. They are writing a grant for equipment for the animal shelter. Miller appointed Hayzlett as Mayor Pro-Tem & to buildings. Hayzlett accepted the appointment.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS: Hayzlett stated the Taylors approached him asking if the city could put down additional rock in the alley between Madison & Monroe because his camper drags due to the Hayes Street road project. He also stated the council needs to come to meeting informed.

ADJOURN: Hayzlett motioned, Michels second to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Lisa Baych, City Clerk

Elizabeth Miller, Mayor