

City of Elk Run Heights
Regular Council Meeting
April 8, 2025 – 5:00 p.m.
Located at Eddis Winstead Council Chambers

The City Council of the City of Elk Run Heights, Iowa met in regular session, according to law, the rules of said Council and prior notice given to each member thereof, in the Council Chambers of City Hall of Elk Run Heights, Iowa at 5:00 p.m. on the above date. Council members present in order or roll call: Sallis, Wilson, Rodden, Galbraith, and Bass. Quorum present.

Sallis/Bass to approve the April 8, 2025 agenda. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Bass/Wilson to approval of the Consent Agenda: a. Approve the regular meeting minutes of March 11, 2025 and March 25, 2025 special meeting minutes b. City Clerk's Reports as of March 31, 2025: Budget Report, Treasurer's Report, and Revenue and Expenditure Reports and Investment Report. c. Approval of Department reports: Building Inspection, Library, and PeopleService. d. Liquor License Renewal – Casey's General Store #3041– LE0003086 – effective 06/01/2025 Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Sallis/Rodden to approve of the Resolution Calendar: a. Resolution 4244 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Elk Run Heights, Iowa, authorizing payment #2 to Owen Contracting, Inc.; in the amount of \$111,841.46 for the Gilbertville/Lafayette Road Reconstruction Project b. Resolution 4245 authorizing the payment of bills. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Public discussion: Tim Ratchford of 315 Gilbertville Rd. asked that the minutes be reflected that he has never had a water issue in his home or his business on Lafayette Rd. Stating he has concerned about elevation issues. Additionally, he wants to be sure his property is put back into the condition it was before the road and watermain construction began; he was reassured it would be.

Arlan Schellhorn of 216 Sutton Ave. pointed out that we have put a lot of money into the parks and should consider doing something about the dust control on the drive through the park. The Mayor was instructed to get some information.

Sallis/Wilson to approve Ordinance 300 an Ordinance amending the Code Of Ordinances of the City Of Elk Run Heights, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to water service charges, first reading. Ayes-Four. Nay-Galbraith. Motion carried.

Wilson/Sallis to approve Ordinance 301 an Ordinance amending the Code Of Ordinances of the City Of Elk Run Heights, Iowa, by amending provisions pertaining to sewer service charges, first reading. Ayes-Four. Nay-Galbraith. Motion carried.

Rodden/Sallis to approve Ordinance 302 an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances for the City of Elk Run Heights, Iowa, by amending Chapter 55 and adding Chapter 57 entitled "urban chickens" relating to the keeping of urban chickens within the City of Elk Run Heights, first reading. There was a discussion about the permit costs. The clerk was asked to update the costs for the second reading. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Sallis/Galbraith to approve Ordinance 303 an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Elk Run Heights, Iowa, by adding a new section pertaining to Debts Subject to the Setoff Program, first reading. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Sallis/Rodden to approve to suspend the rules requiring the 2nd and 3rd reading and place on file final adoption of Ordinance 303 amending the code of ordinances of the City of Elk Run Heights, Iowa. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five.

Wilson/Bass Ordinance 304 Ordinance amending Chapter 41, Entitled "Public Health and Safety", to create a new section 41.17, entitled "Kratom", to prohibit its sale and distribution, first reading. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Wilson/Sallis motion to approve discussion/Possible Action: Recommendation of offer of employment. Ayes-Three. Nay-Bass, Galbraith. Motion carried.

Sallis/Wilson motion to approve request from Public Works to purchase block from Midland Concrete for the budgeted park shelter improvements in an amount not to exceed \$5,895.40. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Rodden/Bass motion to approve request from public works to hire Kluesner Construction to do annual street sweeping for \$153.00 per hour. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Bass/Rodden motion to approve request to enter into agreement with Black Hawk County Conservation to provide storm water education classes throughout the 2025-2028 in an amount of \$286.04, and for the Mayor to sign said agreement on behalf of the City of Elk Run Heights. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Sallis/Bass Request from PeopleService to repair the sewer grate for the culvert in an amount not to exceed \$2,582.25. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Public Works updates/reports: Tom Lentzkow updated council on the patching that has been done with Councilman Wilson. He intends to get the water on at the parks as soon as temps remain above freezing.

Engineer Reports. Mike Dryden updated on the Gilbertville/Lafayette Road construction progress. The water portion of Gilbertville Rd. is finishing up. Lafayette will be closing in the next week for roughly 5-6 weeks, with perfect conditions. The driveway on Lafayette for Frickson's may need to be a change order due to the heavy truck traffic that enters the property.

Attorney points of discussion. None

Council Reports. Councilman Bass mentioned the cleaning of the sidewalks. Mayor Smock indicated that the topic can be brought back up for discussion when the city attorney is present.

Mayor's Reports. Mayor Smock asked the Council if they would be ok with allowing Metronet to run lines in piping under the bridge; everyone conceded.

Wilson/Rodden to adjourn at 6:18. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Attest:

Lisa Smock, Mayor

Julie Eastman, City Clerk