

COUNCIL MINUTES

May 23, 2016

The City Council of the City of Knoxville, Iowa convened in special session Monday, May 23, 2016 at 6:15 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Brian Hatch presided and the following Council Members were present: Dawn Allspach-Kline, Rick Kingery, James Lane, Craig Kelley and Cal Stephens. Staffs present were City Manager Aaron Adams, City Clerk Heather Ussery, Streets Supervisor Dennis Webb and Water Reclamation Supervisor Pat Murphy.

City Manager Aaron Adams gave a presentation to inform citizens on a possible implementation of a stormwater utility. After the presentation Mayor Hatch opened discussion up to the public. Curt Schwanebeck asked what the dollar amount would be in revenue each year. City Manager Adams stated approximately \$200,000. Tom Grimm asked what the current budget for stormwater utility is for the city. Adams stated for fiscal year 2016 it was \$20,000. Marty Duffy asked if there were grants or other project funding available to allocate towards stormwater. Adams stated there aren't grants available for stormwater repairs, but explained state revolving fund availability. John Gotta asked if the city would ever be able to catch up with the repairs needed at the \$200,000 per year. Adams stated SRF funds could open up more funding availability quicker. Maureen Miller asked how Knoxville Estates would be calculated. Adams stated they aren't in the city limits and would not be charged at this time. Dave Roozeboom stated its good to make the utility as light as possible for residents, but also make sure the revenue is sufficient to fix problems. Jamie Moyle stated it saves money to fix problems the right way the first time instead of patch jobs. John Jensen stated he supports implementation of the utility. April Verwers asked when the utility would begin and stated the residents and business owners should be given notice. Adams clarified that most business owners when calculating the ERU would be less than the \$75 maximum discussed in the presentation. Cayde Sprecker asked how the city came up with the maximum amounts. Adams stated examples were used from other Iowa communities that have implemented the same utility.

Motion by Lane; seconded by Allspach-Kline adjourn at 7:16 p.m., all ayes.

ATTEST:

Brian Hatch, Mayor

Heather Ussery, City Clerk