

November 22, 2024

The Eastman City Council met in a called meeting on the above date at 12:00 p.m. The following members were present: Sebrina Williams, Graham Snyder, Mark Peacock, and Debra Sheffield. Others present were City Manager Spencer Barron, Assistant City Manager Dayna Winslette, City Attorney Rita Llop, City Inspector Jack White, Gerald Fordham, and Department Heads Wynnon Pittman and Brandon Brisco, and Fire Chief Derl Maxwell. Audience members included Loraine Aguayo from the DDA and Becky Holland from the Dodge County news.

The meeting was called to order by Councilor Snyder.

Invocation was given by Councilor Peacock.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was unanimously approved with no changes on a motion from Councilor Sheffield and seconded by Councilor Williams.

NEW BUSINESS:

DOWNTOWN EVENTS:

The Downtown Development Authority had come before the council requesting help in buying a skating rink for \$40,000 to be used downtown. The city council had agreed to pay half if the county paid the other half. However, the county denied the request. Other entities including the Dodge Arts Guild, Chamber of Commerce, Dodge-Eastman Development Authority, and Aerospace Facilities have pledged to cover approximately \$17,000. The Eastman City Council would be responsible for all \$40,000 and be reimbursed by the other entities.

Loraine Aguayo approached the council asking if it was possible to get more than \$40,000 if the costs went over that amount in order to have more skates and rails. Manager Barron reminded the council about the \$10,000 set aside that could be used if need be. Councilor Snyder agreed and told Ms. Aguayo to work in conjunction with Manager Barron.

On a motion from Councilor Peacock and seconded by Councilor Sheffield, it was unanimously approved to purchase the skating rink for the DDA.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion from Councilor Peacock, a second from Councilor Williams, and a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

CITY CLERK