

MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, January 4, 2021

Mayor Don Schwenker called the regular session of the Maquoketa City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. with five members present via Zoom Chat.

Present: Kean, Lyon, Collister, Barker, and Holm

Absent: Woodward and Kuhlman

Motion by Barker, seconded by Kean approving the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, December 21st council meeting minutes, and bills. Motion Carried: 5-0

Audience member Richard Stimmel stated he would like to make a suggestion to the Council with the recent snow and ice, the suggestion is that the City look into a better system to let citizens know when there is a snow emergency. Most citizens have cell phones and do not have Mediacom or internet, he knows there is a Red Alert system and maybe that will help with snow shoveling and getting cars off the streets.

Mayor Schwenker questioned if the City could use the County system.

Chief Koranda stated yes and Frank Ellenz can use it at any time.

Gerald Smith stated City Hall and Public Works will implement this right away.

Richard Stimmel wanted to thank Public Works for doing great job and doing the best they can with the amount of snow Maquoketa received.

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Kean approving Ordinance No. 1179 – An Ordinance adopting Title II Chapter 35 Building Code Board of Appeals of the City of Maquoketa code of ordinances – final reading. Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving Resolution No. 2021-01, entitled, "Resolution regarding the collection of payment for City costs to abate nuisances and enforce ordinances." Motion Carried 5-0

Gerald Smith stated the Platt Street project is in the final stages of completing paperwork with Tschiggfrie and the IDOT. There are some snags, but they are working through them.

Dan Holm stated he would like the public to think twice about wearing a mask and COVID-19 is really painful to go through and hard to witness someone dying from it.

Mayor Schwenker stated he would like to thank the Police and Public Works for all their hard work over the past week with the snow and to thank Citizens for getting their snow removed as best as they can.

Motion by Kean, seconded by Holm adjourning at 6:06 p.m.

All Ayes

Don Schwenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gerald Smith, City Manager