

Minutes City of Mechanicsville  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
January 26, 2015

The Mechanicsville City Council met in special session on Monday, January 26, 2015 at City Hall. Mayor Larry Butler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present for roll call were Rob Davis, Pam Cavey, Dee Cook, and Dee Taylor. Pam Logue arrive 6:50. Others present included Tim Horihan and Nick Lange.

**Receive visitors/public comment:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Pam Cavey motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, minutes from 1/12/15, and some claims. Roll call vote: Ayes: Cavey, Davis, Cook, and Taylor. Nays: None. Logue absent. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows:

ACCO	CHEMICALS	\$658.00
CEDAR RAPIDS PHOTO COPY INC	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$39.00
ENTWISLE, ANGIE	JANITORIAL EXPENSE	\$360.00
HART-FREDERICK CONSULTANTS PC	ENGINEERING EXPENSE	\$1,121.30
KOCHS SERVICE & SUPPLY LLC	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$100.39
QUILL	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$210.94
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	ALLOWANCES - UNIFORMS	\$923.00
STATE OF IOWA	TRAINING	\$20.00
CRETEX CONCRETE PRODUCTS	BUILDINGS	\$910.00

**Interview candidate for seasonal lawn care:** Discussion and possible action on interviewing candidates for lawn mowing position. May go into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5 section I. Candidate was given an opportunity to go into closed session and declined. Candidate was interviewed. Further discussion and additional interviewing will be done at the next meeting.

**Authorize Mayor to issue Notice to Proceed in favor of Hansen Asphalt:** Motion was made by Pam Cavey and seconded by Dee Cook. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Council held budget work session starting with a review of wages with a motion being made by Rob Davis to calculate the wage increase at 4% and failing due to a lack of a second. Dee Cook motioned, Pam Cavey seconded to calculate and prepare the resolution for a 3% increase for the hourly employees. Ayes all. Motion carried. Some of the items for discussion included maintenance to the library building and the chimney of the Memorial Building that is attached to Boots Building for support may need to be removed for safety reasons, the memorial building needing a new vacuum and toilet seats replaced, park needing a new toilet paper dispenser and picnic tables repaired or replaced with some additional ones for the ball field; the sewer utility priority was set at doing smoke testing/televising; manhole inspections and raising to ground level and putting the rock on the remainder of the lagoon \$2500. Lining the pipes was also discussed. The street priorities were to complete First Street project this year and

Second Street where the water main was put in; doing the crack and joint sealing of the concrete streets, filling the ditch on X-40 with the dirt from the lagoon area. Discussion was also held on preparing to replace the 1995 loader tractor in the future. Water Utility priorities are cleaning the well/pulling pump by the new water tower and completing another section of water main replacement adding or repairing water shut offs and fire hydrants as necessary with the water main. Solid Waste will need to look at a possible increase in rates as the tipping fees at the transfer station continue to go up. Council reviewed police and fire department wish lists setting the priority for the police at replacing 2 portable radios and 1 mobile to P25 by Dec 31 at a cost of \$5201. Also discussed the ambulance software request as it may become available at no charge. The ball field will need to have grass seeded where the sewer and water lines were put in and a draft copy of the donor wall was previewed.

**Set next regular meeting date: 2-9-15 at 6:30 to interview; 7:00 regular meeting.**

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, council member Dee Taylor motioned, Pam Cavey seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Linda K. Coppess, MMC  
City Clerk/Finance Officer

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Larry Butler, Mayor