

Minutes City of Mechanicsville
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
January 8, 2018

The Mechanicsville City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 8, 2018 at City Hall. Mayor Dave Furry called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present for roll call were Dee Taylor, Rob Davis, Pam Cavey, Andrew Oberbreckling and Eric Nehring. Others present included Lonni Koch, Tim Horihan, and Nick Lange.

CONSENT AGENDA: Rob Davis motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, minutes from 12/11/17, finance reports, and claims. Roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Cavey, Oberbreckling, Davis, and Nehring. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows:

STATE OF IOWA	PAYROLL	\$1,219.53
ACCO	CHEMICALS	\$185.00
ACE HARDWARE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$41.63
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS EXPENSE	\$6,476.88
AMAZON.COM	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$736.51
CAR QUEST AUTO PARTS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$42.68
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$638.68
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$1,116.00
CHASE CARD SERVICES	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$870.53
COPPESS, LINDA	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
ENTWISLE, ANGIE	JANITORIAL EXPENSE	\$375.00
FELD FIRE CO INC_	ALLOWANCES - UNIFORMS	\$1,490.00
FULL AUTO REPAIR	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$424.85
FUTURE LINE	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$455.80
HOLIDAY INN	TRAINING	\$228.26
JJJ ENTERPRISES, INC	UTILITY SYSTEMS & STRUCTURES	\$1,010.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$3.58
JOHNSON COUNTY REFUSE INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$3,097.50
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES, INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$474.00
LISBON-MT VERNON AMBULANCE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$200.00
LYNCH FORD	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$278.97
MARKET STREET	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$85.00
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE CO	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$378.93
NICK LANGE	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
NIELSEN, PETER	WATER REFUND	\$36.52
OVERHEAD DOOR COMPANY	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$55.50
QUILL	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$911.26
ROTO-ROOTER	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$665.00
SCHIMBERG CO	UTILITY SYSTEMS & STRUCTURES	\$2,265.91
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE & ADVERTIS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$407.28
USA BLUEBOOK	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$537.92
VEENSTRA & KIMM	ENGINEERING EXPENSE	\$5,625.00
WALMART	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$131.69
WELLMARK BC BS	GROUP INSURANCE	\$5,940.84
KOCH, DANIEL & YOLUNDA	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$25.00
US CELLULAR	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$95.13
PAYROLL	WAGES	\$28,790.14

Total Receipts and Disbursements for month of December by fund

Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
General	38,727.06	29,010.90
Road Use Tax	11,478.08	4,245.75
Employee Benefit	2,770.54	3,316.13
Local Option Sales Tax	7,591.73	
Library Trust	10.78	
Ambulance Trust	1,559.12	28,935.14
Fire Trust	300.00	
Restricted Gift	35.10	
Debt Service	2,441.06	29,181.69
Perpetual Care		
Water Utility	7,845.63	1,763.47
Sewer Utility	8,407.73	4,081.46
Storm Water Utility	1,009.95	
Solid Waste	9,829.17	5,207.07
Water Deposit	136.52	150.00

Receive visitors/public comment:

None.

REPORTS:

Ambulance Report: Koch reported 22 calls for the month. Cell phone was replaced. Tier agreement for providing Paramedic services to Clarence and Tipton were approved as well as signing the Jones County Joint 9-1-1 Service Board Bylaws with a motion by Dee Taylor and a second by Andrew Oberbreckling. Ayes all. Motion carried. Yaneth Pena was approved to take the EMT class at Clarence for a cost not to exceed \$1600 for tuition and books with a motion by Pam Cavey and second by Dee Taylor. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Fire Report: Koch reported 13 calls for the month, informed council of the Daffy Derby on Saturday, January 13; it is Mechanicsville's turn to provide officers for the Cedar County fire meetings, and updated council on the canceling of the I am Responding and replacing with Who is Responding. A request to purchase 5 traffic cones at \$180 for incident management was approved with a motion by Dee Taylor and second by Eric Nehring. Ayes all. Motion carried. Winter Fire School in Ames with those planning to attend are Dan K, Jake, Chino, Adam, Ben, and Brittany on Feb 24 and 25. Pam Cavey motioned, Rob Davis seconded to approve training and hotel per budget. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Follow up on FF living/working outside of district lines: Mayor Furry and Chief Koch met with Stanwood Mayor and Chief Siebels and discussed Siebels being allowed to use his Stanwood gear while responding to calls in Mechanicsville without having to call for mutual aid from Stanwood. If the call is in the Stanwood district Stanwood's insurance will cover him and if it is in Mechanicsville's district he will be covered under Mechanicsville's roster. There is no written agreement and this is contrary to the

bylaws of the fire department. Dee Taylor motioned to approve being a FF on Mechanicsville roster, Andrew Oberbreckling seconded. Ayes: Davis, Taylor, Oberbreckling, and Nehring. Nays: Cavey stating that the fire lines are in place for a reason. A person should choose one department or the other, does not feel there is any advantage to having one person be on two or more departments at the same time. Motion carried.

Police report: Tim Horihan gave his summary of activity from 12/11/17 to 1/8/18 which included 36 business checks; 6 agency assists; 7 citizen assist; 2 motorist assist; 3 general public safety; 3 theft/fraud; 1 warrant; 1 assault; 1 harassment; 4 suspicious activity; 4 animal case; 1 juvenile case; 3 welfare checks; 1 meeting; 1 training; 35 parking violations; 2 traffic stops; 3 warnings; and 0 citations.

A request to attend Use of Force training on March 19 at a cost of \$149 and to approve attendance at the Cedar-Jones Early Childhood Development Board meetings as paid time were approved with a motion by Pam Cavey and second by Rob Davis. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Public Works Report: Lange reported that the new aerator that was installed last month is being sent in for warranty work, and that the cost to replace the bulbs at the library with LED will be about \$10 a bulb.

Administration Report: Coppess requested council to add input to the population projections being requested from V&K for the design of the lagoon. They are projecting an increase of about 90 people over the 20 year planning period and council felt it was reasonable based on past information.

Old business discussion and possible action on:

Council shall appoint P&Z member: The council received 3 letters of interested from Dee Cook, Marcie Oberbreckling, and Carla Barnhart. Rob Davis motioned, Pam Cavey seconded to appoint Dee Cook to fill the vacancy on the P&Z commission. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Public Works job description and Interviews: The date was set for January 25th to do the first round of interviews. Also under this topic council discussed the 1) installation of a time clock at the maintenance shed; 2) public works person scheduled to perform Saturday/Sunday water tests or yard waste duties, shall be scheduled to take off 4 hours during the week to help eliminate and reduce overtime/comp time accumulations; 3) review summer duties and possibly re-allocate to eliminate or reduce hours of part time employee and still have cemetery and ball field looking great at all times; 4) public works keep a daily log of activities. Pam Cavey motioned to approve items 1, 3, and 4 and revisit 2 at the next meeting. The motion died for a lack of a second. Dee Taylor motioned to approve items 1 & 4 and to continue future discussions on items 2 & 3. Pam Cavey seconded. Ayes: Taylor, Oberbreckling, Cavey, and Nehring. Nays: Davis. Motion carried.

New business discussion and possible action on:

Cedar County Veterans Grave Grants: Dee Taylor motioned, Andrew Oberbreckling seconded to approve applying for the grant to level 1/3 – 1/2 of the veterans markers that have sunken depending upon funding available. Ayes all. Motion carried.

First meeting of the year: Mayor appointed Andrew Oberbreckling as Mayor pro-tem; the Tipton Conservative was named the official newspaper, Adrian Knuth was appointed City attorney, and the mayor appointed the committees.

Budget topics included preliminary wage increases of 2-3%, adding 50 cents to the tipping fees, large item purchases to take into consideration include the lagoon project, replacing fire truck; tractor, police car, tree removal, skate park graffiti removal, and possibly installing a zip line and walking trail around Cruse park. Pam Cavey motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to renew the township fire contracts at the same amounts as last year with no changes this year. The meeting will be February 6, 2018. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Received information from Linn Co-op on lawn care; Energy Consultants Group and possible solar installation; and IAMU provided job description templates.

Set next meeting date: 1/25/18 for interviews.

Mayors Comments: None.

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 8:50 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Linda K. Coppess, MMC

David L. Furry, Mayor