

Minutes City of Mechanicsville
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 15, 2016

The Mechanicsville City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 15, 2016 at City Hall. Mayor Larry Butler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present for roll call were Dave Furry, Dee Cook, and Dee Taylor. Rob Davis arrived at 7:08 and Pam Cavey arrived at 7:20 pm. Others present included Nick Lange, Tim Horihan, Lonni Koch, Carla Barnhart, and Matt and Lorraine Polhamus.

CONSENT AGENDA: Dee Cook motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, minutes from 7/11/16, finance reports, claims, Casey's Liquor license renewal; and Resolution 2016-7 the Annual Street Finance Report. Roll call vote: Ayes: Furry, Cook, and Taylor. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cavey. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows:

COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER	PAYROLL	\$686.44
IRS	PAYROLL	\$2,487.68
STATE OF IOWA	PAYROLL	\$1,189.49
IRS	PAYROLL	\$2,600.05
WISCONSIN PHYSICIANS SERVICE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$554.00
IPERS	PAYROLL	\$2,970.53
CHASE CARD SERVICES	POSTAGE/SHIPPING	\$710.29
BRIDGE COMMUNITY BANK	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$24.10
EMERGENCY SERVICE MARKETING CO	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$660.00
CEDAR COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOP	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$3,071.00
CLARENCE LOWDEN SUN-NEWS & ADV	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$13.20
ACCO	CHEMICALS	\$319.80
ACE HARDWARE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$47.94
AGVANTAGE FS INC	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$72.75
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS EXPENSE	\$7,277.14
AMAZON.COM	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$497.92
AREA AMBULANCE SERVICE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$200.00
CAR QUEST AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$13.44
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$774.72
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$1,080.00
CEDAR COUNTY TREASURER	TAX EXPENSE	\$608.00
CEDAR RAPIDS PHOTO COPY INC	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$50.30
COPPESS, LINDA	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
DEMCO	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$217.61
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RES	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$210.00
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	TRAINING	\$225.00
IOWA ONE CALL	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$86.40
JOHN DEER FINANCIAL	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$54.97
JOHNSON COUNTY REFUSE INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$3,097.50
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES, INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$579.20
KLOCKES EMERGENCY VEHICLES	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$68.74
KOCHS SERVICE & SUPPLY LLC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$60.00
LISBON-MT VERNON AMBULANCE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$200.00
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE CO	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$352.63

NICK LANGE	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
OVERDRIVE	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$345.14
QUILL	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$118.49
ROTO-ROOTER	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$385.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$430.25
SEEHUSEN INSURANCE AGENCY	INSURANCE EXPENSE	\$858.50
STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$140.30
SUMMIT COMPANIES	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$141.00
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE & ADVERTIS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$204.91
US CELLULAR	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$98.97
USA BLUEBOOK	CHEMICALS	\$201.10
UTILITY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	OTHER CAPITAL EQUIP	\$291.05
WALMART	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$21.22
WELLMARK BC BS	INSURANCE	\$3,146.16
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	STREET MAINT EXP	\$89.30
PAYROLL	WAGES	\$13,482.56

Total Receipts and Disbursements for month of July by fund

Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
General	3,912.98	63,726.89
Road Use Tax	10,665.35	12,866.35
Employee Benefit	579.25	2,115.60
Local Option Sales Tax	7,572.32	
Library Trust Fund	8.67	
Ballpark Trust Fund	1,041.54	219.42
Ambulance Trust	39.25	1,275.45
Gift Trust		
Debt Service	531.29	
Perpetual Care	200.00	
Water Utility	7,884.77	10,293.42
Sewer Utility	6,337.91	6,765.64
Storm Water Utility	8,985.74	12,219.98
Solid Waste	952.46	38.41
Water Deposit	100.00	150.00

Receive visitors/public comment: Dee Taylor shared information about swans being used in some cases to repel geese away from lagoons. Public Works going to check with South Slope to see what they did to eliminate the geese in that area. Concerns have been expressed about the number of geese traveling between the pond and the lagoons.

REPORTS:

Ambulance Report: Koch reported 35 ambulance calls for the month, Carrie Petersen requested to join the department as a FF and EMT. Brittany Rogers, temporary volunteer from Stanwood, is taking Paramedic class through Scott Community College.

Fire Report: Koch reported that there were 28 fire calls which included the EMS assist calls. There was a garage fire and a motor vehicle fire. Discussion on purchasing a drip torch. September 24 & 25 is Fire School with 1 signed up and 3 others showing interest. Currently the fireworks donations are down \$2000 for the 2017 show, some discussion about what can be done to make the 4th of July more enjoyable? August 27 will be the annual firemen's picnic at Baker's.

Police report: Chief Tim Horihan requested 2 vacation days which were approved with a motion by Dave Furry and seconded by Pam Cavey. Ayes all. Motion carried. The summary of activity from 7/11/16 to 8/15/16 included 38 business checks; 5 agency assists; 3 medical assist; 1 fire assist; 15 citizens assist; 4 general public safety; 3 Theft/Fraud; 3 Burglary; 3 harassment; 2 suspicious activity; 8 animal cases; 4 juvenile; 2 motor vehicle accidents; 19 civil cases; 1 community event; 3 parking violations; 29 traffic stops; 33 warnings; citation for OWI and driving while barred.

Public Works Report: Lange reported an update on the flowers that were the recent subject of a Facebook conversation. They were initially temporarily removed in order to mow with the intention of going back to replace them on to the grave, but employee forgot to go back to do it before leaving the cemetery that day.

Administration Report: Coppess reported receiving a donation from the Living Hope Bible Church in the amount of \$2000 along with a thank you for the use of the building.

Old Business discussion and possible action on: Mayor/Safety committee will not be appointing any reserves: Mayor Butler announced that he would not be appointing any of the reserve candidates at this time and according to the policy he would need to appoint them before the council could approve the appointment.

Resolution to make decision on whether to enforce public safety residency requirement or setting response time: Mayor Butler reported that in talking with the city attorney the Iowa Code indicates that employees can live where ever they want to, however, city policy can require them to live in town or within a certain distance or response time of the city limits. Council discussed various scenarios regarding the public works position and the police chief position and that both positions had in town requirements at the time of the interview. Mayor Butler noted that the types of calls for a public works emergency and a public safety emergency have different response time requirements. Public safety calls (police, fire, ambulance) are generally more urgent in nature and require a faster response. Mayor Butler has not received any calls concerning issues with public works employees not being available after hours for urgent issues. He has received multiple calls from the Law Center on police issues and is wanting a resolution to address that issue. After further discussion Pam Cavey motioned to continue the employment (while living in Dewitt) until the completion of the 3 year commitment (May 14, 2017). Dee Cook seconded. Ayes: Cavey, Cook, and Davis. Nays: Furry and Taylor. Motion carried.

New business discussion and possible action on:

Options for Well maintenance from Cahoy: Cahoy Group sent correspondence indicating that the shop inspection of our equipment and the down hole video survey had been completed and shows that the well is in good condition, has very good structural integrity and after the thorough brushing, does look to be in excellent condition for a considerable amount of time going forward. They did find that the pumping equipment is in very poor condition and outlined options including not recommending the reinstallation of the PVC drop pipe that was in service. They also recommend a thorough PH chemical treatment for this well to augment the mechanical cleaning that has already taken place. Dave Furry motioned, Rob Davis seconded to accept the proposal to do the PH cleaning and replace the pump and motor in stainless steel, the PVC drop pipe with stainless steel couplings, check valve, labor, etc. for \$22,006 plus shipping. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Receive and review bids for Water main replacement project: The notice for the public hearing did not get published in the paper, Dave Furry motioned, Rob Davis seconded to reset the date for the hearing on the plans and specifications for the Water main project to September 12 at 7:00 p.m. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Request to fill in ditch on east side of X40 at 500 N Elm referred to engineer: Residents requested permission to put in a 3 foot diameter non perforated culvert from 125th Street to their driveway. Concern from the city about getting water drained from roadway and not having the roadway deteriorate as a result of it. Council directed clerk to contact the engineer to request providing a recommendation in writing.

Roof at open park pavilion: Council was made aware of the deteriorating condition of the roof and fascia boards at the open park pavilion. Calls will be made to see about getting costs for replacing with a metal roof.

Iowa Codification 2016 Legislative Summary: Dave Furry motioned, Dee Cook seconded to approve ordering the ordinances to keep the code book updated to correspond with the changes to the Iowa Code. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Correspondence: DNR provided notice that they are in receipt of our Plan of Action. The NPDES Permit is anticipated to be issued in the near future and because the new permit will include compliance schedules for E.coli and ammonia, the DNR is agreeable to wait for the permit to be issued. The NPDES compliance schedule will provide the city with 52 months to achieve compliance and include several milestones dates to ensure progress is being made.

Pipeline Public Awareness Newsletter was also received.

Committee Reports: None.

Set next meeting date: 9-12-2016

Mayor's Comments: None.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, council member Dave Furry motioned, Pam Cavey seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Linda K. Coppess, MMC
City Clerk/Finance Officer

Larry Butler, Mayor