

Minutes City of Mechanicsville
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
October 12, 2021

The Mechanicsville City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 (due to the Columbus Day holiday on Monday) at 6:30 p.m. at 102 N John Street, Mechanicsville. Mayor pro-tem Amy Bishop called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present for roll call were Amy Bishop, Adam Paidar, Denice Dochterman, Laura Yost and Jennifer Lester. Others present included Rick Scott, Josh Miller, Will Wagner, Lonni Koch, Jake Koch, Pat Albaugh, Donna Paup, Calvin Paup, Nancy Kainz, Hunter Adney, and Angie Pettit.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Adam Paidar motioned, Denice Dochterman seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, the minutes from 9/13/21; finance reports, and claims including pay application #4. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bishop, Paidar, Dochterman, Yost and Lester. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows:

STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX PAYABLE	\$1,853.64
ACE HARDWARE	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$944.41
AGVANTAGE FS INC	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$240.74
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$474.99
ALERT ALL	SAFETY SUPPLIES	\$81.60
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS EXPENSE	\$5,072.93
AMAZON.COM	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$925.04
BADGER METER	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$900.46
BANKERS BANK	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$49.30
BILL BRUCE BUILDERS INC	OTHER CAPITAL EQUIP	\$132,289.90
CAR QUEST AUTO PARTS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$57.02
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$1,375.65
CEDAR COUNTY SHERIFFS RESERVES	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$660.00
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$1,224.00
CHASE CARD SERVICES	TRAINING	\$502.30
COPPESS, LINDA	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
DEMCO	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$146.71
DIESEL-TURBO SERVICES INC	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$2,387.41
ECIA	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$393.73
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RES	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$95.00
JOHN DEER FINANCIAL	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$11.97
JOSH MILLER	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$179.98
KOCH OFFICE GROUP	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$129.90
LL PELLING CO	STREET MAINT EXP	\$38,276.80
LUKE OBERBRECKLING & SONS	STREETS	\$46,926.00
MATT PARROTT & SONS CO	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$933.62
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE CO	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$430.44
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PUMP	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$6,375.00
OASIS ELECTRIC LLC	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$3,463.51
ODD JOBS INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$700.00
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING LLC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$3,150.00
QUILL	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$304.70

RADAR ROAD TEC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$70.00
ROTO-ROOTER	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$895.00
SCHEER, STEVE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$1,800.00
SCOTT, RICKY	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$567.00
SUMMIT COMPANIES	OPERATIONAL EQUIP REPAIR	\$413.25
THOMPSON TRUCK & TRAILER INC	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$1,451.08
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE & ADVERTIS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$440.37
US CELLULAR	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$106.36
USA BLUEBOOK	OTHER CAPITAL EQUIP	\$3,463.89
VEENSTRA & KIMM	ENGINEERING EXPENSE	\$9,540.50
WELLMARK BC BS	GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE	\$6,273.26
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	STREETS	\$189.33
PAYROLL	WAGES	\$14,615.01

Total Receipts and Disbursements for month of September by fund

Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
General	27,451.33	45,053.45
Road Use Tax	16,971.23	12,397.24
Employee Benefit	5,368.36	2,901.94
Local Option Sales Tax	9,101.59	
Library Trust Fund	1.81	
Ballpark Fund		78.78
Ambulance Trust	2,089.92	1,040.55
Debt Service	4,045.14	
Perpetual Care		
Water Utility	8,341.13	2,697.11
Sewer Utility	25,902.65	37,734.48
Solid Waste	10,395.56	6,938.12
Storm Water Utility	1,018.25	
Water Deposits	150.00	

Public Hearing on proposed budget amendment: The public hearing was opened to hear comments for or against the proposed budget amendment for FY22 which included costs for the sewer improvement project, grant administration fees, legal fees, and engineering for the project, interest and bond fees, loan proceeds, roof replacement, CDBG grant, and transfer of Local Option Sales tax funds to help pay for sewer project, increase in insurance for fireworks, and repairing lights at the ballfield and roof at the park. Hearing no comments the public hearing was closed.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-16 for the proposed budget amendment was made by Jennifer Lester and seconded by Adam Paidar. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bishop, Paidar, Dochterman, Yost and Lester. Nays: None. Resolution 2021-16 approved.

Receive visitors/public comment: Calvin Paup addressed the council regarding the pop machine in the Memorial Building being noisy, bathroom fan not working properly, flag pole in cemetery leaning, and grave markers being hit by lawn mower in center part of cemetery. Donna Paup addressed the council concerning the decorative fence on

West First Street and feels that if the city approves the fence being on the property line that would make the city responsible for maintaining the sidewalk and doing snow removal.

REPORTS:

Ambulance Report: Ambulance had 15 calls for the month. October training will be on Seizures and on line training still being utilized. Yaneth Pena to Tri-State Emergency Conference October 15-16. Lisbon-Mt. Vernon is hosting an EMT class starting in January on Tuesday and Thursdays from 6-10 if anyone is interested. Service Affiliation with Stanwood and sharing schedules/crews continues to work for the benefit of the community. Jen motioned, Denice seconded to approve training for Yaneth Pena. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Fire Report: Fire had 4 calls for the month and held the Fire Prevention training at the elementary school. Laura Yost motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to approve purchasing 2 MarSars Ice Rescue suits for pond and pool rescues includes the slings and ropes for \$2,637.43. Ayes all. Motion carried.

The fire volunteers offered to replace the back retaining wall currently constructed of railroad ties with a poured concrete wall if the city would pay for the concrete. Adam Paidar motioned, Jennifer Lester seconded to approve the volunteers providing the labor to replace the wall for a cost not to exceed \$2000 for the concrete. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Police Report: Police reported 9 agency assists, 1 alarm, 1 animal, 47 business checks; 1 citizen assist, 1 criminal mischief, 1 domestic disturbance, 11 extra patrol, 1 fight, 1 fireworks, 3 follow up, 1 harassment, 4 medical assist, 3 mental health, 2 miscellaneous; 3 motorist assist; 1 motor vehicle accident; 4 parking; 13 speak with officer; 2 suspicious activity; 28 traffic stops, 33 warnings; 2 citation, 11 school dismissals, 8 call outs.

Public Works Report: Rick Scott reported that the new mower was received and cuts mowing time in half; cleaning off cemetery this week, the jetter fixed, no parking signs replaced on Crestview Drive, mowed at the lagoon, DNR did scheduled visit today and went through permits and testing requirements. Dump truck is in shop needing brakes, and the 2010 pickup the compressor went out of the air conditioner, snow plow has been fixed by Future Line, and will begin the junk day tomorrow.

Administration Report: Coppess requested to use 5 vacation days and a motion by Jen Lester and second by Laura Yost to approve. Ayes all. Motion carried.

New business discussion and possible action on:

Request for city (as adjoining property owner) to sign building permit for decorative fence to be placed on the property line/39 inches high. Hunter Adney explained that he would continue to do the snow removal on both sides of the fence, any concerns for injury would not be any different than the chain link fence on E South

Street and the fence is for decorative purposes only. Amy Bishop motioned, Denice Dochterman seconded to deny the request for putting it on the property line. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Purchase Kasco Lago Aerator \$3175: Jennifer Lester motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to approve purchasing a replacement aerator for the lagoon. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Park Board volunteer: Jennifer Lester motioned, Denice Dochterman seconded to approve Lacey Sauer as an additional Park Board volunteer. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-17 to approve Disaster Recovery Plan: Laura Yost motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to approve the Disaster Recovery Plan. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bishop, Paidar, Dochterman, Yost and Lester. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Draft of Credit Card Policy was reviewed: No action taken at this time.

Central Tank Coatings to wash/remove mold and dirt from 150,000 gallon tower \$5000: No action taken at this time.

Lexipol Solutions Proposal 2021-18: This company provides draft of policies for the police department and updates per state law with Tipton and Mount Vernon also utilizing. Also provides access to training in order to keep haz-mat training current. Laura Yost motioned, Jennifer Lester seconded to approve the cost of the contract at \$1990.70. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Mid Iowa Solid Waste Camera proposal: Adam Paidar motioned, Amy Bishop seconded to approve replacing the cameras and monitors on the garbage truck at a cost of \$2460.03. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Set date to work on Comprehensive Plan 11/9 or 11/16 at 6:30 to 8:30 to start process with Jennifer Walker and Tricia Wagner (ECIA) to discuss what vision for 10 years from now. Council selected 11/9.

Survey sample in packet needs approval to distribute: Jennifer Lester motioned, Laura Yost seconded to approve the survey being distributed with changes as noted. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Agreement for University of Iowa police protection resolution 2021-19: Jennifer Lester motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to approve the memo of understanding with the police department providing security at the University of Iowa home football games. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bishop, Paidar, Dochterman, Yost and Lester. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Applying for CDBG-CV grant updating the American Legion Building? Jen Lester motioned, Laura Yost seconded to proceed with applying for the grant. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Nuisance Abatement plan of action on E 1st: Council was updated on the property owner's verbal acknowledgement of the abatement and indicated that the plan is to tear the building down with plans to have a false frontage and have open space behind it, so there wasn't a gap in the appearance of the downtown buildings.

Set next meeting date: Monday, 11/8/2021 6:30 p.m. at the Memorial Building

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, council member Jen Lester motioned, Adam Paidar seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Linda K. Coppess, MMC

Amy Bishop, Mayor Pro-tem