

Minutes City of Mechanicsville
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
January 14, 2019

The Mechanicsville City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 14, 2019 at City Hall. Mayor David Furry called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present for roll call were Dee Taylor, Eric Nehring, Rob Davis and Pam Cavey. Andrew Oberbreckling absent. Others present included Nick Lange, Tim Horihan, Lonni Koch, Dirk Wieneke, Jake Koch, Donna Paup, Amy Bishop, Jeff Coberly, Nancy Kainz, and Emily Linebaugh.

CONSENT AGENDA: Rob Davis motioned, Pam Cavey seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, minutes from 12/10/18, finance reports, and claims. Roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Nehring, Davis, and Cavey. Nays: None. Oberbreckling absent. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows:

CHASE CARD SERVICES	POSTAGE/SHIPPING	\$366.69
STATE OF IOWA	PAYROLL	\$1,892.41
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER	PAYROLL	\$250.00
IRS	PAYROLL	\$2,057.52
IOWA INSURANCE DIVISION	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$71.00
FURRY, DAVE	MEETINGS & CONFERENCES	\$54.00
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$62.25
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS EXPENSE	\$6,994.46
AMAZON.COM	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$978.00
BANKERS BANK	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$18.98
CAR QUEST AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$216.25
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$604.95
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$1,440.00
COPPESS, LINDA	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
DANS TIRES & MORE	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$377.50
DEMCO	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$1,011.53
ENTWISLE, ANGIE	JANITORIAL EXPENSE	\$330.00
FELD FIRE CO INC_	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$222.00
FRIENDS OF THE ANIMALS	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$50.00
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY	TRAINING	\$113.20
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$158.32
JOHNSON COUNTY REFUSE INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$3,097.50
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES, INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$361.00
KOCH OFFICE GROUP	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$151.27
KOCH, DANIEL & YOLUNDA	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$92.00
KOCH, JACOB	MEETINGS & CONFERENCES	\$300.24
KOCHS SERVICE & SUPPLY LLC	OPERATIONAL EQUIP REPAIR	\$58.92
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE CO	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$418.92
MID IOWA SOLID WASTE	OTHER CAPITAL EQUIP	\$853.60
MT VERNON ACE HARDWARE	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$194.44
NICK LANGE	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
QUILL	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$272.48
RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	OPERATIONAL EQUIP REPAIR	\$35.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	ALLOWANCES - UNIFORMS	\$686.46

TIPTON CONSERVATIVE & ADVERTIS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$195.16
US CELLULAR	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$96.93
WALMART	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$122.13
WELLMARK BC BS	GROUP INSURANCE	\$4,157.92
ZOLL MEDICAL CORPORATION	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$1,400.00
PAYROLL	WAGES	\$30,903.20

Total Receipts and Disbursements for month of December by fund

Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
General	30,883.99	20,338.90
Road Use Tax	13,008.23	6,564.31
Employee Benefit	566.81	2,652.56
Local Option Sales Tax	8,115.10	
Library Trust	19.95	
Ambulance Trust	3,931.94	30,560.63
Fire Trust	50.00	
Tree Trust	57.66	
Debt Service	387.26	
Water Utility	7,795.92	1,661.10
Sewer Utility	10,992.21	5,799.12
Solid Waste	9,998.14	6,198.59
Storm Water Utility	1,057.84	
Water Deposit	200.00	

Receive visitors/public comment: Donna Paup requested the city reconsider creating a social media face book page.

REPORTS:

Engineer report/update(V&K)- Emily Linebaugh informed the council that she has communicated with the DNR regarding the Ecolotree project and they will not extend our compliance deadline in order to facilitate additional testing for the pilot project. It is not feasible to explore at this time. The city will need to proceed with an approved technology and she will plan to establish a special meeting before the next council meeting to review the options that are available.

Ambulance Report: Lonni Koch reported 21 ambulance calls for the month with February 1 being the target date for Stanwood to go transport. It was also stated that she intends to complete a Cedar County Foundation Grant for the ambulance department.

Fire Report: Jake Koch reported 7 calls for the month and the Fire Department also intends to apply for a Cedar County Community Foundation Grant. March 23 will be a Hazardous Materials class.

Police report: Tim Horihan gave his summary of activity from 12/10/18 to 1/14/19 which included 32 business checks; 3 agency assists; 1 medical; 15 citizen assist; 1 motorist assist; 4 General Public Safety; 1 theft; 4 burglary; 2 trespass; 1 vandalism; 1

warrant; 1 harassment; 8 suspicious activity; 3 animal cases; 1 juvenile case; 1 welfare check; 1 civil case; 1 mental health; 1 community event; 1 training; 27 parking violations; 30 traffic stops; 37 warnings; and 4 citations. Reviewed items that could be removed from the specs to bring the car down to \$52,999. Council requested follow up on lease options and on an ad brought in by a citizen.

Public Works Report: Lange reported pump #1 seal leak at lift station. Two manholes at the lagoon that are 1 ½ feet and about 8 inches below grade that need to be raised. Last year city pumped about 27 million gallons of water but the lagoon took in 48 million which indicates infiltration.

Administration Report: Coppess shared information on the Garden Club tuning the piano at the Memorial Building. Motion Dee Taylor, Pam Cavey seconded that the city council thank them for their donation and taking care of this need. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Old business discussion and possible action on:

Zippy Salt Barn water drainage and photos: Jeff Coberly addressed the council with photos and a drawing of a proposed “gutter” to help drain the storm water from that area. Dee Taylor motioned, Pam Cavey seconded to contact the engineer to develop plans and specs to address the drainage issue. Further discussion about a special assessment will be used to pay for any improvements and the engineering fees. Mr. Coberly requested that the action be held off until he has a chance to talk with Galen. Dee motioned to withdraw the motion from the table, and Pam seconded. Ayes all. Motion carried to delay taking action at this time.

Minor curfew ordinance: Pam Cavey motioned, Rob Davis seconded to approve the second reading of Ordinance 300 with the time change to midnight and the change in the age from 17 to 18 years of age in the curfew ordinance. Ayes: Cavey, Taylor, Nehring, and Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Oberbreckling. Second reading approved.

Dee motioned Eric seconded to waive the third reading. Ayes all. Motion carried. Pam Cavey motioned Rob Davis seconded to adopt ordinance 300 pertaining to the curfew changes. Roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Nehring, Davis, and Cavey. Nays: None. Oberbreckling absent. Ordinance adopted.

Ordinance 301 permitting Golf Carts & UTVs to be driven on city streets: Pam Cavey motioned, Rob Davis seconded to approve the second reading of the ordinance. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Dee Taylor motioned, Eric Nehring seconded to waive the third reading of the ordinance. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Pam Cavey motioned, Rob Davis seconded to adopt ordinance 301 permitting golf carts and UTVs to be driven on city streets. Roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Nehring, Davis, and Cavey. Nays: None. Oberbreckling absent. Motion carried

Ordinance on No Parking zones: Item 4 was changed to read both sides of South Elm Street and item 7 deleting the no parking on south side of South Street between Cherry and Monroe. Motion by Pam Cavey, seconded by Rob Davis to approve the second reading. Ayes all. Motion carried. This will be read again next month.

New business discussion and possible action on:

Resolution 2019-1 setting rates and approving contracts to be prepared for the township trustee meeting on February 5, 2019 and included setting the mileage and ambulance response billing rates for insurance purposes. Pam Cavey motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to approve the resolution. Roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Nehring, Davis, and Cavey. Nays: None. Oberbreckling absent. Resolution approved.

Appointments for 2019 including the mayor pro-tem, official newspaper, committees, and city attorney will all remain the same for this year.

Authorize Fourth of July Fireworks permit and Fire Department 125th year celebration: Dee Taylor motioned, Eric Nehring seconded to approve the permits and the purchase of the insurance for the celebration weekend. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Budget items:

Salary Resolution or amount to use in preparing budget was established to be 3%. Set date for public hearing 3/11/19 on approving the 2019 Budget: Dee Taylor motioned, Pam Cavey seconded to set the date for the public hearing to be March 11, 2019 at City Hall. Ayes all. Motion carried. A date for a budget workshop will be set soon.

Resolution 2019-2 in support of the Great Places Mural Project to be executed in partnership with the University of Iowa art students residency program: Dee Taylor motioned, Pam Cavey seconded to adopt the resolution of support. Roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Nehring, Davis, and Cavey. Nays: None. Oberbreckling absent. Resolution adopted.

Correspondence: IDOT Notification was received regarding signs in the right of way must meet MTCD standards on all state highways and must be approved with a permit from the DOT.

Committee Reports: Social media policy from Stanwood was received by Dee Taylor. Pam Cavey and Dee will look into other social media policies over the next 3-4 months.

Set next regular meeting date: 2/11/19.

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 8:15 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Linda K. Coppess, MMC

David L. Furry, Mayor