

Minutes City of Mechanicsville
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 9, 2018

The Mechanicsville City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 9, 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, Eric Nehring, Pam Cavey, Andrew Oberbreckling and Rob Davis. Others present included Tim Horihan, Lonni Koch, Dirk Wieneke, Nick Lange, Donna Paup, Jason Gideon, Pam Seehusen, and Randy Brown.

CONSENT AGENDA: Pam Cavey motioned, Rob Davis seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, minutes from 6/11/18, finance reports, and claims. Roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Cavey, Oberbreckling, Nehring, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows:

ACE HARDWARE	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$498.94
ADAM PAIDAR	TRAINING	\$263.68
AGVANTAGE FS INC	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE & REPAIR	\$322.01
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$29.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC/GAS EXPENSE	\$6,611.52
AMAZON.COM	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$471.26
BANKERS BANK	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$79.79
BUSINESS RADIO SALES & SERVICE	OPERATIONAL EQUIP REPAIR	\$70.00
CAKES BY JERI	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$52.50
CAREPRO PHARMACY	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$8.39
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	VEHICLE OPERATIONS	\$872.77
CEDAR COUNTY AUDITOR	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$11,672.54
CEDAR COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOP	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$3,163.00
CEDAR COUNTY SOLID WASTE	PAYMENTS TO OTHER AGENCIES	\$1,116.00
CENTRAL TANK COATINGS INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$2,250.00
CLARENCE LOWDEN SUN-NEWS & ADV	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$17.00
COPPESS, LINDA	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE & REPAIR	\$105.00
ECIA	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$756.36
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING	OPERATIONAL EQUIP REPAIR	\$150.38
EMS LEARNING RESOURCES CENTER	TRAINING	\$20.00
ENTWISLE, ANGIE	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$360.00
FULL AUTO REPAIR	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$35.62
FURRY, DAVE	TRAINING	\$118.80
H & H AUTO	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$147.48
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RES	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$131.62
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	ASSOCIATION DUES	\$884.00
JOHNSON COUNTY REFUSE INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$3,097.50
JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$151.80
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES, INC	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$1,228.90
KOCH BROTHERS	OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	\$80.07
KOCHS SERVICE & SUPPLY LLC	BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	\$435.77
LISBON-MT VERNON AMBULANCE	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$200.00
MARKET STREET	OFFICE EQUIPMENT REPAIR	\$225.00
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE CO	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$451.76
MT VERNON LISBON SUN	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$46.50

NICK LANGE	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$30.00
NORTH CEDAR KIDS LEAGUE	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$141.51
OVERDRIVE	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$388.98
ROTO-ROOTER	OTHER PROF SERV EXP	\$1,405.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	ALLOWANCES - UNIFORMS	\$1,250.01
SCHIMBERG CO	UTILITY SYSTEMS & STRUCTURES	\$92.64
STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA	SUBSCRIPTION & ED MATERIAL	\$153.76
TIPTON AMBULANCE SERVICE	OTHER CAPITAL EQUIP	\$350.00
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE & ADVERTIS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING EXP	\$312.88
VEENSTRA & KIMM	ENGINEERING EXPENSE	\$1,125.00
WALMART	OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$54.16
KNUTH LAW OFFICE	LEGAL EXPENSE	\$299.90
PAYROLL	WAGES	\$16,683.47

Total Receipts and Disbursements for month of June by fund

Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
General	24,688.44	20,564.01
Road Use Tax	11,261.85	16,815.08
Employee Benefit	500.31	3,218.76
Local Option Sales Tax	8,215.96	
Library Trust	12.55	
Ballpark Fund	1,670.00	4,692.59
Ambulance Trust	333.53	812.42
TreeTrust Fund	57.34	
Debt Service	459.38	28,000.00
Perpetual Care	50.00	
Water Utility	9,309.11	3,907.13
Sewer Utility	9,865.42	4,755.54
Solid Waste	10,363.94	5,253.44
Storm Water Utility	1,088.97	19.80
Water Deposit	-305.57	97.68

Receive visitors/public comment:

Pam Seehusen addressed the council regarding a letter she received about her sidewalk needing to be replaced. Council advised that the ordinance does require a sidewalk to be replaced once removed. It is understood that the sidewalk does not go anywhere as the property owner next door does not have a sidewalk. Pam stated that there are several properties over on the north side of West Second Street that all used to have a sidewalk, it was removed by the developer, and was not put back in. Andrew motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to research to see if perhaps the ordinance should be changed going forward. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Randy Brown shared information regarding the possible solar field being talked about at the lagoon and wanted to make council aware that if Alliant would not be able to handle the amount of power coming back onto the grid the city would be responsible for any upgrades to the transformers and such. It was clarified that the "solar field" being designed is being done to supply enough power to the aerators and pumps at the

lagoon facility and is not intended to power the entire city, however, there could be days with excess power going back on to the grid.

REPORTS:

Ambulance Report: Koch reported 25 ambulance calls for the month. Also discussed some information with the council about the discussions stating that EMS should be declared an essential service. There are approx. 1800 EMS calls in Cedar County each year. Under Iowa Chapter 422D a county may impose a local income surtax at the rate set by the board of supervisors on the state individual income tax of each individual residing in the county. The reason for the surtax and the amount needed shall be set out in the ordinance. This is one item being researched for the possibility of putting an item on the ballot for the voters to decide if the county should implement an excise tax under Iowa Code 422D. The tax for emergency medical services could only be imposed after an election at which a majority of those voting on the question vote in favor of the question. Revenues received by the county from the taxes imposed shall be deposited into the emergency medical services trust fund and used only for the purpose as set out in the ordinance. It was also reported that A-3 needs new front tires and a part to fix an air leak.

Fire Report: Koch reported 18 calls with 12 of them being to assist EMS. Lonni also shared that she was appointed by Governor Kim Reynolds to be a member of the Fire Service and Emergency Response Council with her 4 year term beginning July 1, 2018.

Police report: Tim Horihan gave his summary of activity from 6/11/18 to 7/9/18 which included 27 business checks; 3 agency assists; 2 medical assist; 16 citizen assist; 1 motorist assist; 4 General Public Safety; 1 theft/fraud; 5 Burglary/breaking and Entering; 1 harassment; 10 suspicious activity; 2 animal cases; 2 juvenile cases; 1 MVA; 1 welfare check; 3 civil cases; 21 nuisance/noise; 3 community event; 1 training; 10 parking violations; 9 traffic stops; 17 warnings; and 3 citations.

Public Works Report: Lange reported east tower has been cleaned, lagoon sampler not working, 2 aerators not working. Council requested that the street sweeper be run to clean up some of the trash on the street. Also inquired about status of painting parking lines.

Administration Report: **CCEDCO** is offering a scholarship to mayor, council, or city official to attend the Iowa Downtown Summit in Waterloo August 28—30. There is a possibility that we may have 2 more bleachers donated to the city for the north ballfield. Another request for the street sign at First and Washington to be replaced.

Old business discussion and possible action on:

Fire Station roof: One more proposal was received, however, it was to replace the flat roof with another flat roof and council would prefer to have the current roof replaced with a pitched roof. Additional research will be done before deciding.

Ordinance establishing \$25 fee for building permits: Pam Cavey motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to approve the first reading of the ordinance as printed:

165.28 FEES. The administrative officer is directed to issue a construction compliance certificate and/or an occupancy compliance certificate as required by this chapter for proposed construction, reconstruction or alteration which complies with all provisions contained herein and to charge a fee of \$25.00 for each construction compliance certificate or occupancy compliance certificate issued separately. Only one \$25.00 fee shall be charged for a construction compliance certificate and occupancy compliance certificate issued jointly. There shall be no fees charged to the United States Government, the State of Iowa, or any political subdivision thereof. All fees shall be paid to the administrative officer, who shall keep a complete and accurate record of fees received and shall forthwith deposit them to the credit of the General Fund of the City.

Ayes all. Motion carried.

Pam Cavey then motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to waive the second and third readings of the ordinance. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Pam Cavey motioned to adopt the ordinance and Dee Taylor seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Oberbreckling, Nehring, Taylor, Cavey, and Davis. Nays: None. Ordinance adopted.

New business discussion and possible action on:

Jason Gideon, President Energy Consultants Group PPA agreement 2018-8:

Jason was available for additional questions and presented a proposed PPA with 9 cents per kw. Additional discussion about potential need for fencing at the east water tower, unsure of the future expansion or changes that may be needed at the lagoon, so will need to touch base with V&K. Pam Cavey motioned, Andrew Oberbreckling seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the letter of intent for the solar PPA. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Install sidewalk from school property line to ball park parking lot \$600: The school had contacted the city about their intent to install a sidewalk near the crosswalk on 125th Street that will intersect with their existing sidewalk and proposed to have it also continue to connect to the parking area at the ball field as there are several events that the parking lots of the two are shared. A second bid was received by the school and the city portion will be about \$450. Pam Cavey motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to approve installing the walk. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Cedar County Solid waste commission agreement 2018-9: Resolution to authorize the mayor to sign the new Cedar County Solid Waste Commission agreement was made by Dee Taylor, seconded by Pam Cavey. Ayes: Oberbreckling, Nehring, Taylor, Cavey, and Davis. Nays: None. Resolution approved.

Legislative changes: Update were received and will be reviewed.

Resolution 2018- 10 adjusting budget within the Culture and Recreation program \$10,900 Dee Taylor motioned, Eric Nehring seconded to approve the resolution adjusting the amounts within the program area. Ayes: Oberbreckling, Nehring, Taylor, Cavey, and Davis. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2018-11 adjusting Budget within the Public Works program \$2000: Dee Taylor motioned, Eric Nehring seconded to approve the resolution adjusting the amounts within the program area. Ayes: Oberbreckling, Nehring, Taylor, Cavey, and Davis. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2018-12 adjusting budget within the proprietary business activities program \$12,500 Dee Taylor motioned, Eric Nehring seconded to approve the resolution adjusting the amounts within the program area. Ayes: Oberbreckling, Nehring, Taylor, Cavey, and Davis. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Proposal from Central Tank Coatings, Inc. for repair of old water tower: A proposal to sand blast and paint the interior surfaces and the underside of the roof at a cost of \$27,500 and to furnish and install new ladder from 10ft above the ground level to the cat walk that includes a new safety climb system for \$16,500 for a total cost of \$44,000. Rob Davis motioned, Pam Cavey seconded to not spend any additional money on the old tower unless it was deemed a vital necessity to the system. Follow up will be done with Hart Frederick to determine how many more years the old tower was originally anticipated to be in service when the new tower was built or has it already exceeded its life expectancy and it is time to consider taking it down. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None.

Committee reports: None.

Set next meeting date: 8/13/18.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, council member Pam Cavey motioned, Dee Taylor seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Ayes all. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Linda K. Coppess, MMC

David L. Furry, Mayor