



# City of Lester

July 8, 2024

Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Mayor Dan Gerber called the council meeting to order council members Jeff Hoogeveen, Lance Boote, Erika Kellenberger, Kurtis Myrliie and Curt Doorneweerd present. Also present Cathi Senior, Brian Mogler, Jon Gerber and Jen Smit.

A motion was made by Lance Boote to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, Treasurer's Report and the following bills and warrants issued through June as presented. Curtis Doorneweerd seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

**Expenses:**

Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$44.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$104.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$275.47
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$432.69
Alliant Energy	Street Lights	\$714.75
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$122.28
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$37.05
3D Security	CC security	\$168.00
Bobs Lock & Key	door lock repair Comm Center	\$1,606.23
Cole Papers	Community Center	\$62.84
Coop Energy	tire labor	\$14.00
Darcy Gerber	cleaning wages	\$125.28
Denny's	Garbage services	\$2,239.00
DRG	Park bathroom repair	\$425.00
Foundation	water testing	\$148.25
Gerber Insurance Agency	Insurance premiums	\$38,928.28
Gerry Stai	painting comm center doors	\$1,467.50
Iowa DNR	water supply annual fees	\$32.48
Iowa League of Cities	member dues	\$392.00
IPERS	July Contributions	\$510.44
ITRON	water software maintenance	\$1,080.43
Jeff Hoogeveen	mowing	\$1,718.80
Leenderts Lawn Care	soil sample at ballfield	\$75.00
Lyon County Roads	K30 Project	\$17,718.08
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	647,000 gallons	\$1,649.85
Moser	lagoon spray product	\$214.15
Murphy Collins	legal fees	\$690.00
Mychal & Dawn Van Wyhe	Depot Street lot	\$5,000.00
Peter & Susan Van Wyhe	Depot Street lot	\$5,000.00
Raman Tree Service	comm center/ park tree removal	\$1,250.00
RB Electric	water main outlet at park	\$113.20
Robert Leuthold	Wages	\$604.80
Robert Leuthold	Lagoon labor/sewer maintenance	\$2792.60
Cathi Senior	Wages	\$604.80
USPS	stamps	\$340.00
US Treasury	Quarterly Tax	\$1,170.93
Visa Card	supplies	\$149.68
Wayne Van Wyhe	Mowing	\$500.00

**Expenditures**

General	\$77,312.42
Road Use	\$714.75
Water	\$3,450.76
Sewer	\$3,712.93
Garbage	\$1,979.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$87,170.36</b>

**Revenues**

General	\$9,252.92
Road Use	\$3,631.75
Water	\$3,524.77
Sewer	\$4,740.21
Garbage	\$2,140.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,289.65</b>

Discussion was held on the Lester Park shelter project, PMC is in process of enclosing the shelter, they discovered some rotten wood and will need to replace the bottom 6”.

Discussion was held regarding the schedule for Road Guys, Curtis Doorneweerd will contact them to get and update for when they plan to complete seal coat project for the year.

Discussion was held regarding past due sewer and water accounts, Lester Post Office is past due 60 days.

Discussion was held regarding Lester Local upcoming renewal for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor License. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve the license. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held in regard to the City Tree Dump which has violators dumping objects/waste other than trees, limbs, brush, grass clippings, and garden waste. The council will research security camera options to install so violators can be addressed as needed.

Lester Development Committee updated the council they currently have 7 lots of the 16 lots sold. They are still researching commercial development options.

Discussion was held regarding the new school bus stop in the Meadowview development. Brian Mogler presented to the council a proposed layout for the building, bike rack and parking spaces. The sidewalk and cement pad will need to be completed prior to moving the bus stop building.

Lester Visioning presented walking path updates to council; council would like to see a path to be on the south side of the property lines off Meadow View to connect that neighborhood to the existing trails on Main Street.

Discussion was held on the ballpark grounds and re-seeding is scheduled for this fall to recover from damages due to the flood water.

Discussion was held regarding mosquito control throughout the city, Mosquito Control is behind this season with the weather and flooding problems and will try their best to get to town in the next couple of days depending on the weather.

Discussion was held regarding Lester Days schedule for fireworks display, Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to waive the fireworks ordinance for the evening of Friday, August 16 to allow the display. Erika Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the notification of Cathi Senior relinquishing her duties as City Clerk, interested parties should contact Dan Gerber or Cathi Senior for more information.

Lester Days are scheduled for August 16, 17 and 18, 2024.

The next regular city council meeting will be Monday, August 5, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the Lester City Council Chambers.

Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Dan Gerber, Mayor

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Attest: Cathi Senior, City Clerk