



City of Lester
January 6th, 2025
Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Mayor Dan Gerber called the council meeting to order; council members Lance Boote, Kurtis Myrlie, Curtis Doorneweerd, and Jeff Hoogeveen were present. Also present was Todd Boote and Jen Smit.

A motion was made by Jeff Hoogeveen to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the December 9th meeting, Treasurer's Report and the following bills and warrants issued through December as presented. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Expenses:

Adobe	Software	\$21.19
Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$40.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$105.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$296.37
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$895.50
Alliant Energy	Streetlights	\$779.89
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$51.20
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$47.82
Darcy Gerber	Cleaning wages	\$129.09
Denny's	Garbage	\$1,998.00
Denny's	Comm Center Garbage service	\$200.00
Foundation	Water testing	\$16.50
Iowa Dept of Revenue	Water service excise tax - December	\$189.70
IPERS	Dec Contributions	\$243.82
Kerry Moeller	84' Sidewalk; 30' gutter	\$1,290.00
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	770,000 gallons	\$2,079.00
Lyon County Roads	K30 Project	\$17,718.08
MGR Hauff	Street Cones	\$305.00
Mychal L. Van Wyhe and Dawn K. Van Wyhe	Real Estate Contract	\$1,396.75
Network Solutions	Web Solutions	\$4.66
New Century Press	Minutes publication	\$67.57
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Northwest Iowa League of Cities	Membership Dues	\$25.00
Peter Van Wyhe and Susan Van Wyhe	Real Estate Contract	\$1,396.75
RB Electric	Outlet for popcorn machine & custom chord	\$488.71
Robert Leuthold	Wages	\$602.42
SendHub	Marketing/communication	\$15.98
Todd Boote	Wages	\$602.42
US Treasury	4th Quarter Taxes	\$945.27

Expenditures

General	\$25,250.22
Road Use	\$1,084.89
Water	\$2,819.10
Sewer	\$870.27
Garbage	\$1,998.00
Total	\$32,022.48

Revenues

General	\$50,734.10
Road Use	\$3,507.63
Water	\$4,755.99
Sewer	\$2,613.64
Garbage	\$2,180.00
Total	\$63,791.36

A discussion was held regarding updating the exterior doors and replacing the floor in the community center. Motion was made by Curtis Doorneweerd to approve the installation of new exterior doors if timing of the install is available in the near future and if the cost is under \$25,000. Kurtis Myrle seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. Floor replacement will be considered next fiscal year.

Lyon County Riverboat Foundation Questionnaire was discussed. We will have a representative present at a Riverboat Foundation meeting on March 17th.

A discussion was held regarding next fiscal year's budget. Budget worksheets were handed out and the budget will be discussed at February's meeting.

A discussion was held regarding a potential replacement for our current water reader. The City's meter reader software is no longer supported by the provider; however, all meters are up to date, working properly, and are supported. We are in the process of gathering quotes for an updated water meter reader.

The Annual Urban Renewal Report was given and submitted. Motion was made by Curtis Doorneweerd to approve, Lance Boote seconded the motion, all members voted in favor.

SLFRF Annual Report was filed.

Lester Visioning gave two updates. Visioning is applying for a grant to purchase new tables for the community center and quotes are being obtained for backstop netting and shade protection for spectators at the ball diamond.

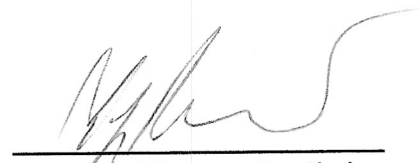
Parks reported that trees are in need of trimming at the ball diamond and the cemetery. Jeff Hoogeveen motioned to spend up to \$10,000 to take care of the most needed trimming at city parks. Curtis Doorneweerd seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

The floor scrubber battery at the community center is not holding a charge. The current battery will be taken into service to determine if a replacement is necessary. There was a short discussion held about purchasing a small lockbox for community center renter access. This will create a better rental experience for the community center.

Dakota Seal has been contacted for a quote on sealing city streets that are due for maintenance. A decision will be made once a final quote is received.

The next regular city council meeting will be Monday, February 3rd, at 6:30 PM at the Lester City Council Chambers.

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


Dan Gerber, Mayor
Attest: Todd Boote, City Clerk