



City of Lester

January 6, 2021
Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Mayor Dan Gerber called the council meeting to order with council members Jeff Hoogeveen, Pam Hawf, Ladell Kellenberger, Lance Boote and Curt Doorneweerd present. Also present Cathi Aeschliman, Doug Vanden Bosch and Steve Simons

A motion was made by Pam Hawf to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the December 7th 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:

Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$42.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$100.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$247.39
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$672.00
Alliant Energy	Street Lights	\$543.99
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$41.93
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$42.22
3D Security	new camera in community room	\$353.65
Cathi Aeschliman	Wages (\$540) send hub \$15.98	\$555.98
Darcy Gerber	cleaning hours	\$84.24
Denny's	Garbage (100 x 17.50)	\$1,750.00
Denny's	Community Center	\$306.00
DRG	disinfected wipe reimbursement	\$39.27
Iowa Dept of Treasurer	4th Quarter 2020	\$914.00
IPERS	Jan Contributions (W 48.36 S 55.80 G 111.73)	\$215.89
Leenderts	lawn service contract	\$385.00
Leutholds	snow removal 12/24	\$750.00
Leutholds	snow removal 12/27	\$187.50
Leutholds	snow removal 12/29	\$718.75
Leutholds	snow removal 12/30	\$125.00
Linda Kellenberger	18' driveway share	\$180.00
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	745,000 gallons	\$1,601.75
New Century Press	Minutes	\$65.40
Peoples Banks	ACH Fee	\$25.00
Popkes Inc	125 gallons propane	\$131.23
Push Pedal Pull	treadmill service	\$796.15
Robert Leuthold	Wage (W \$280.80 & S \$280.80)	\$561.60
US Post Office	3 rolls of stamps	\$165.00
US Treasury	4th Quarter 2020	\$756.07

Expenditures

General	\$4,169.24
Road Use	\$2,505.24
Water	\$2,908.62
Sewer	\$1,023.91
Garbage	\$1,750.00
Total	\$12,357.01

Revenues

General	\$39,675.92
Road Use	\$2,774.07
Water	\$3,428.08
Sewer	\$4,481.48
Garbage	\$1,963.95
Total	\$52,323.50

Discussion was held regarding past due water and sewer accounts.

Discussion was held regarding the 2021 Annual Soup Supper; the council will hold off on scheduling until update on COVID regulations at February meeting after the Governor revised proclamation.

Discussion was held regarding Building Permit 2021-140 Rob & Libby Van Egdom to finish off the basement in the property located at 513 Meadowview. Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to approve the building permit. Ladell Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding 2021 service contract from Leenderts Lawn Care, it was concluded to sign the agreement to for spraying the ballfield area in the spring and fall.

Discussion was held regarding a donation from Peoples Bank requesting to purchase new tables for the Community Center.

Discussion was held during review of the Payroll and Service Charge Schedule, increased rates were discussed. Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to approve the following rate increases effective for the fiscal year 2021- 2022, city clerk and sewer treasurer \$75 per month, snow removal \$10per hour. Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voted in favor.

Lester Visioning members, Brian Mogler and Kathy Doorneweerd, dropped into the meeting to update the council members on the walking trail and discussed information to complete the grant application for the BNSF path to cross at the tracks.

Discussion was held regarding Resolution 2021-1 to set a Public Hearing Proposed Tax Levy for February 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm at Council Chambers in the Lester Community Center. Lance Boote made a motion to approve the Resolution. Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Dan Gerber, Mayor

Attest: Cathi Aeschliman, City Clerk

Resolution 2021-2 to set a Public Budget Hearing for March 8th, 2021 at 6:45 pm at Council Chambers in the Lester Community Center. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve the Resolution. Ladell Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Alliant Energy representatives are planning on attending the February council meeting to update the city on the power feed coming into Lester at 6:30 PM.

The next regular city council meeting will be Monday, February 8, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the Lester City Council Chambers.

Pam Hawf made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ladell Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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