



City of Lester

June 3, 2024

Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Mayor Dan Gerber called the council meeting to order council members Jeff Hoogeveen, Erika Kellenberger, Kurtis Myrllie and Curt Doorneweerd present. Also present Cathi Senior.

A motion was made by Jeff Hoogeveen to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the May 6th meeting, Treasurer's Report and the following bills and warrants issued through May as presented. Kurtis Myrllie seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Expenses:

Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$40.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$104.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$258.23
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$433.36
Alliant Energy	Street Lights	\$717.32
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$82.11
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$40.07
Ageson Trucking	crushed asphalt/patching streets	\$377.98
Cole Paper	Comm Center Supplies	\$327.35
Coop	Fertilizer + bus stop materials	\$3,374.32
Curtis Doorneweerd	council	\$388.92
Dan Gerber	council	\$666.72
Darcy Gerber	cleaning wages	\$203.04
Denny's	Garbage services	\$2,883.40
DGR	Construction admin	\$241.00
DRG	comm center service	\$282.00
DSG	water meter bypass/vault	\$2,041.06
Erika Kellenberger	council + supplies	\$407.09
Foundation	water testing	\$246.75
Heartland Hardware	Paint/park supplies	\$272.88
IPERS	June Contributions	\$978.41
Iowa Finance Authority	sewer loan	\$11,393.75
Jeff Hoogeveen	Mowing + council	\$2,215.72
Kurtis Myrllie	council	\$388.92
Lance Boote	council	\$333.36
Lester Feed & Grain	TIF Payment + supplies	\$14,734.24
Lester Fire Dept	annual contribution	\$6,000.00
Lester Local	Mower fuel	\$178.20
Lester Rescue	annual contribution	\$6,000.00
Leutholds	supplies	\$162.23
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	Meter change out/no read	\$2,725.95
Lyon County Roads	K30 Project	\$17,718.08
Meyer Electric	Generator service	\$458.40
New Century Press	minutes/hearings	\$72.93
Northwest Custom	Lagoon spraying	\$350.00
P&K Pest Control	Comm Center	\$117.70
PMC	enclose shelter	\$12,392.08
Popkes	Propane	\$724.79
Road Guys	seal coating	\$25,000.00
Robert Leuthold	Wage	\$604.80
Rock Rapids Machine	aluminum top	\$241.18
Cathi Senior	Wages	\$604.80
Visa Card	sendhub	\$15.98
Wayne Van Wyhe	Mowing lot	\$700.00

Expenditures

General	\$64,557.84
Road Use	\$16,095.30
Water	\$5,446.28
Tax Increment	\$14,700.00
Sewer	\$13,003.80
Garbage	\$2,695.90
Total	\$117,499.12

Revenues

General	\$92,135.53
Road Use	\$2,593.96
Water	\$3,436.01
Sewer	\$4,692.13
Garbage	\$2,148.20
Total	\$105,005.83

Discussion was held on the tasks completed by the West Lyon Junior High service projects this year included cleaning tables and chairs in the community center, removal tree branches behind Fire station, as well as staining park equipment at the ball diamond.

Discussion was held regarding the new trophy case that has been placed in the Community Center, the glass will be installed when received.

Discussion was held regarding Lyon-Sioux Rural Water have proposed a price increase per 1,000 gallons due increased cost of operations effective October 1, 2024. Kurtis Myrlie made a motion to approve the proposal, Curtis Doorneweerd seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. At that time the city will review the residents rates.

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of Outlot One (1) of Railroad Addition and Parcel C in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section Thirty-Six in Township One Hundred North, of Range Forty-Seven, West of the 5th P.M., Lyon County, Iowa and in Lot Ten of Thomas Subdivision of Section Thirty-Six in Township One Hundred North, of Range Forty-Seven, West of the 5th P.M., Lyon County, Iowa to utilize for ball diamond parking and walking trail. Erika Kellenberger made a motion to approve \$10,000 down payment for the purchase of the lot in July 2024, and quarterly payments of \$2,793.41 until paid off. Curtis Doorneweerd seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding grading and drainage work to done at the end of Depot Street, Kurtis Myrlie made a motion to approve \$8000 for work to be completed for a driveway approach and trail head, Curtis Doorneweerd seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Lester Development Committee updated the council of working on expansion of commercial lots in the city.

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 Maini Street.

Discussion was held regarding the enclosure of the shelter house in the city park, Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to approve the quote of \$15,392 from PMC less the \$3,000 from the Visioning Committee. Erika Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the current rental fees for the community center, new rates will be effective July 1, 2024, current reservations will be honored at current fees. New rates will be based on time rented and posted on the city website.

Discussion was held regarding street budget balance this fiscal year, Erika Kellenberger made a motion to make an extra loan payment for the K30 Road project. Kurtis Myrlie 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, July 8, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the Lester City Council Chambers.

Kurtis Myrlie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Erika Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Dan Gerber, Mayor

Attest: Cathi Senior, City Clerk