



City of Lester

June 6, 2022

Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Mayor Dan Gerber called the council meeting to order with council member Ladell Kellenberger, Lance Boote, Jeff Hoogeveen and Curt Doorneweerd present. Also, present Cathi Aeschliman and Steve Simons.

A motion was made by Ladell Kellenberger to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the May 9th meeting, Treasurer's Report and the following bills and warrants issued through May as presented. Curtis Doorneweerd seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Expenses:

Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$41.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$103.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$231.22
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$755.89
Alliant Energy	Street Lights	\$712.86
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$48.92
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$38.94
American Playground	park playground equipment	\$26,254.00
3D Security	Upgrade security lock system	\$786.50
Ageson Trucking	hauling rock - sewer	\$1,696.22
Agri Vision	mower filters/maintenance	\$130.50
Cathi Aeschliman	Wages	\$620.78
Cole Paper	CC supplies	\$208.57
Curtis Doorneweerd	Council Wages	\$444.48
Dan Gerber	Council Wages	\$611.16
Darcy Gerber	cleaning hours	\$126.36
Denny's	Junk day dumpsters	\$680.90
Denny's	Weekly park service	\$86.00
Denny's	Garbage	\$1,961.00
DRG	turn on water services at parks	\$176.00
DSG	curb box	\$46.37
Erika Kellenberger	Council Wages	\$277.80
Foundation	water testing	\$127.75
Foundation	water testing	\$144.25
IPERS	May Contributions	\$849.60
Jeff Hoogeveen	grass seed/mowing/council wages	\$2,195.10
Kjert Gramstad	snow removal	\$187.50
Ladell Kellenberger	Council Wages	\$444.48
Lance Boote	Council Wages	\$333.36
Lester Fire Department	annual fees	\$5,000.00
Lester Rescue	annual fees	\$5,000.00
Lester Feed & Grain	TIF payment	\$50,599.18
Lester Local	mowing fuel	\$118.05
Leutholds	marking paint can/coupling/nipple	\$25.00
LG Everest Inc	Recycled Concrete - street side gutters	\$361.46
Lyon County Emergency Mgmt	mitigation plan	\$500.00
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	721,000 gallons	\$1,694.35
Michaels Fence	batting cage and fence parts	\$985.98
New Century Press	minutes	\$60.89
Peoples Banks	ACH Fee	\$25.00
Pete Van Wyhe	snow removal	\$131.25
P & K	pest control	\$117.70
RB Electric	remove/reinstall street light on Main Street	\$1,412.05
Robert Leuthold	Wages	\$561.60
Rock Rapids Welding	softball diamond	\$291.64
Steve Gerber	Extended Ag building/bathroom door	\$427.40
Tri-State Ready Mix	Main Street	\$634.00
Van Voorst Concrete	curb/gutter/sidewalk/street replacement	\$41,690.00

Expenditures

001 GENERAL	\$48,394.16
110 ROAD USE TAX	\$44,318.40
125 TAX INCREMENT	\$50,599.18
600 WATER	\$2,410.08
610 SEWER	\$2,373.24
670 LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$1,961.00

Total

\$149,956.06**Revenues**

General	\$10,424.04
Road Use	\$1,307.86
Water	\$3,814.98
Sewer	\$5,030.47
Garbage	\$2,077.90
Total	\$22,655.25

Discussion was held regarding Building Permit 2022-156 Stephen Michaels to construct a 6' white vinyl fence on the north side of his property located at 1497 Gage Drive. Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to approve the building permit. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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

Discussion was held regarding Denny's Sanitation is requesting a temporary price increase per resident due to inflation and high fuel costs. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve schedule a public hearing for the garbage rates. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. A public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 6:30 PM to discuss garbage rate increase being passed on to the residents.

Discussion was held regarding storm damage at the Lester Softball Field and Park, Raman Tree Service removed the trees and will be returning later to remove the stumps. Insurance claims have been filed for City property that was affected by the recent storms.

Discussion was held regarding the annual TIF payment to Lester Feed and Grain, payment will be processed this month in the amount of \$50,599.18.

Discussion was held regarding the reduced cost of the K30 highway project in 2021. The city did receive a cost reduction from the overall cost of the project because the construction was delayed, and the extension affected multiple businesses along the project route. This savings has allowed the City to finish up the curb, gutter, and sidewalk on the south side of Main Street as well as make regular payment to the County Highway Department for funding the City for the initial project.

Discussion was held regarding the sewer and water hookup fees at the duplex located at 603 and 605 Clinton Street, due to the new construction, new sewer and water lines needed to be installed on this property, both sides of the duplex are responsible for the hook-up fees for service, as they are both metered separately.

The next regular city council meeting will be Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 6:30 PM at the Lester City Council Chambers.

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

 Dan Gerber, Mayor

 Attest: Cathi Aeschliman, City Clerk