

Wall Lake, Iowa

February 13, 2017

Wall Lake City Council met in session at 7:00 p.m. in council chambers presided by Mayor Steve Druivenga.

Councilmen present: Rob Germann, Francis Riedell, Albert Schwanz and Ron Lahr. Gary Faber is absent.

Visitors: Gae Schroeder, Cathy Geake, Jody Fischer.

Schwanz made the motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Riedell. Ayes: All. Faber is absent. Motion carried.

Lahr made the motion to approve the January 23, 2017 minutes. Seconded by Germann. Ayes: All. Faber is absent. Motion carried.

Germann made the motion to approve the bills to be paid with the addition of a payment to IAMU for training for \$1050. Riedell seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Discuss/Approve Tree Trimming Center Street bids: The clerk received two bids for tree removal. Faber's idea of re-routing the line could be more costly than removing the trees. Re-routing the line could also be more time consuming. Matt Ortner's bid was \$2900 to remove four trees. Tim Peters bid was \$3300 to remove three trees. Schwanz made the motion to approve Ortner's bid. Lahr seconded. Ayes: Riedell, Schwanz, and Lahr. Nays: Germann. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Discuss/Approve Chris Lawler Apprentice update: The city is waiting to hear back from IAMU regarding whether or not IAMU will accept the hours he worked before he was enrolled in the program and apply those towards his electrician license. Chris has passed the first level of written tests. He has three more levels to go.

Discuss/Approve Library Budget FY2018: The library board presented their 2017-2018 budget to council and would like to receive a 3% budget increase. Riedell made the motion to approve the library budget for 2018 and the 3 % increase. Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Discuss/Approve FY2018 Budget second look; equipment: pickup, backhoe, skid loader, digger truck, etc.: There is a need for new equipment and the council is asking which items are urgent. Myron and Chris L. agreed that a new digger truck was a priority. The clerk will get some prices on equipment to present to the council at the next meeting. The clerk will increase the budgeted revenue and expense for solid waste and review at the next meeting.

Discuss/Approve Clerks Report: Bank account balances, checks, receipts, proprietary accounts, and taxes were discussed. During the presentation council asked questions. Riedell made the motion to approve the clerk's report. Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Discuss/Approve Resolution 2017-02; a resolution beginning the process of selling lots in Schroeders 3rd Addition and setting a public hearing date: The city received a bid for two lots from Kevin and Shari Bieret. Bidding is open to the public and no additional bids will be accepted after March 24 at noon. There will then be a public hearing on March 27 at 7 p.m. Riedell made the motion to approve resolution 2017-02, Schwanz seconded. Roll call vote: Germann; yes, Riedell; yes, Schwanz; yes, Lahr; yes. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Discuss/Approve Clean up Days April 22-23: Riedell made the motion to approve April 22-23 as clean up days for the City of Wall Lake. Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Discuss/Approve Liquor License Lake Lanes: Riedell made the motion to approve the liquor license for Lake Lanes, Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Discuss/Approve Water Treatment Plant controls upgrade: The pumps are either failing to start or failing to stop frequently. This is causing problems with our water pressure. The Clerk has gotten two bids between \$8000-\$11,000. The clerk would like the authority to move forward with the lowest bid as soon as the third bid is received. Schwanz made the motion to give authority to accept the lowest bid to purchase new controls for water plant. Riedell seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Public Forum

The Clerk discussed garbage rates and the increases to be expected in the near future. The Clerk believes we are going to have to increase our garbage rate by 5% by July 1, 2017. NWILC meeting is in Mallard on Thursday February 16th. The Mayor discussed the Omaha Boat Sport and Travel Show shifts that people are working and what gifts are being given at the show. The Clerk discussed an emergency plan of action that is being worked on by Marlon Snyder, Jim Herring, Francis Riedell and the city clerk.

Adjourn

Riedell made the motion to adjourn, Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Faber is absent.

Attest:

Lynn Grosely
Deputy Clerk