

Wall Lake, Iowa

April 23, 2018

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

Councilmen present: Germann, Faber, Schwanz and Lahr. Riedell is absent.

Visitors: Myron Olerich, Jody Fischer, Brandy Ripley, Chris Whitaker, Steve Gerry.

Schwanz made the motion to approve the agenda. Faber seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Lahr made the motion to approve the minutes from April 9, 2018 with a change on the pool membership prices. The early bird price and regular season pass price are turned around. The early bird price is \$65.00 for single, \$100.00 for family if purchased before May 30<sup>th</sup>. Regular price goes into effect on May 30<sup>th</sup> and is as follows \$75.00 for single and \$125.00 for family. Daily pass price is \$3.00. Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Schwanz made the motion to approve Payroll and Bills to be paid as presented. Faber seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESOLUTION GIFTING LAND**

Mayor Druivenga opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. A resident of Wall Lake did come in and express concerns that the housing development would be less than less than satisfactory. The Clerk reassured him that this project would be beneficial to Wall Lake. Final approval for financing should be made soon. Germann asked what kind of a timeline the city was looking at for starting the project. Chris Whitaker said he would be guessing but possibly starting this fall once loan and grant packages and building plans were approved. Faber made the motion to close the public hearing at 7:08 p.m. Germann seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Truck Wash next step: The Clerk sent Todd Steinkamp a copy of the agreement and has not heard back from him yet.

Discuss/Approve Resolution 2018-07; a resolution finalizing the gifting of property to Region XII: There have been no comments or concerns from the public other than expressed above, regarding the gifting of the land to Region XII. Schwanz made the motion to approve Resolution 2018-07, Lahr seconded. Roll Call vote: Germann;yes, Faber;yes, Schwanz;yes, Lahr;yes. Motion carried.

Director Chris Whitaker housing needs assessment: Region XII is offering a county wide housing survey of residents. This survey's goal is to find out what type of housing residents are looking for, what the city's housing needs are, what type of housing would bring people to Wall Lake. Estimated costs to the cities participating would be \$2200.00. Germann made the motion to spend up to

\$2500 for the survey for Wall Lake. Schwanz seconded. Roll Call vote: Germann;yes, Faber;yes, Schwanz;yes, Lahr;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss Library Quarterly Results: Jody presented to the council the number of visitors to the library(1,539) materials check out numbers(2,271), computer uses(602) 11 children's programs and 5 adult programs with a total of 277 attendees. These numbers are from January 2018 to March 2018. Jody thanked the council for their support and the council thanked her for the information.

Discuss/Approve transformer for generator at water plant-Myron: The generator that is installed by the water plant is not compatible with our electric system. The Clerk and Myron have contacted Wesco for information on a dry transformer that would enable the generator to be compatible with our system. DGR Engineering is working on providing the amount of KVA's needed to run the water treatment plant and other businesses. Germann made the motion to approve up to \$4000 for the dry transformer for the generator, Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve TIF dollars to savings-water, electric, and gas projects: Each November the city certifies a dollar amount that was spent on projects that qualify for TIF refunding. Council certified dollars for gas, electric, and water projects in November 2016. These dollars are coming back into the TIF account. Since these dollars were already spent from the water, electric and gas accounts. Germann made the motion to approve the transfer of money out of TIF into the accounts proportionate to what we certified. Schwanz seconded. Roll Call vote: Germann;yes, Faber;yes, Schwanz;yes, Lahr;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Picnic Tables for Pool: Schwanz suggested that the picnic tables should be paid for with money from the pool account. Germann made the motion to purchase 4 picnic tables from Wall Lake Lumber for the pool and pay for them out of the pool account. If there is not enough money in the pool account the difference will come out of the Fitness Center account. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Summer Help Hires: We received 4 applications, one application was retracted today. Reece Potthoff, Garrett Hugeback and Peg Niles. Peg did weed eating out at the cemetery last year. Faber made the motion to hire all three applicants as summer help. One full-time, one part-time and one to weed eat. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss HTP Project suggestions-basketball and horse-shoes at park; basketball and bags: Schwanz didn't think it was a good idea, Mayor Druivenga wanted the clerk to look into costs involved.

Discuss/Approve sidewalk at park playground: Schwanz made the motion to put in two sidewalks at the park, one from the North and one from the East. Germann would like to see posts put in to keep vehicles off the sidewalk. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Public Forum

Schwanz mentioned that he has had several people ask about installing a railing on the West side of the building because the sidewalk can get slick in the winter and there is nothing to hold onto. Faber spoke with Chewy and Faber thought he would be working on getting the concrete out of the dump soon because he is moving the concrete crusher over by Meisters pit. Jody Fischer mentioned that Ed Ewoldt would like to see something unique done in Wall Lake that would draw visitors. Mr. Ewoldt is a former resident of Wall Lake and is quite proud to call it his hometown.

Adjourn

Schwanz made the motion to adjourn. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Attest:

Lynn Grosely  
Deputy Clerk