

Wall Lake, Iowa

January 13, 2020

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

Councilmen present: Rohlf, Riedell, Steinkamp, and Lahr. Mayor Druivenga is absent.

Visitors: Curtis Bloes, Brett Grosely.

Lahr made the motion to approve the agenda. Riedell seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Rohlf made the motion to approve the minutes from the December 9th meeting as written. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Lahr made the motion to approve the bills as presented. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Purchase Agreement-Hallett Material: possible closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5 (j): The Clerk informed Mayor Pro-Tem Schwanz that it was not necessary to go into closed session. The original purchase agreement to buy land from Hallett's for the bike trail is not needed because the railroad has rights to the land that was part of the agreement. Joe Rueschenberg with Sundquist Engineering informed us that a trail permit can be obtained for using railroad land for the bike trail. The only drawback is that if work is necessary on the track they can use the trail and if the trail is damaged the city would be responsible for repairs. We did receive a grant to purchase land for the trail from Halletts, the Clerk is not sure if the city will still receive the grant since we no longer have to purchase land. He is hoping the city will still receive the grant to use towards other expenses incurred with the trail project. The Clerk will be applying for another grant at the end of January to help with trail expenses.

Discuss/Approve increasing Natural Gas Reserve CD amount or cash and deposit in savings: The city has a \$100,000 CD at Westside State Bank that matures next month. The Clerk is asking the council if the city should take the CD principal and accumulated interest and put that in a CD at 1.8 or 1.9% interest or if the principal only should be put in savings at 2.25% interest. Riedell made the motion to transfer Natural Gas CD, principal and interest and another \$50,000 into savings at Westside State Bank. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve to begin the process to condemn house at 304 Summit Street: Brett Grosely addressed the council regarding the house at 304 Summit Street. In addition to the poor condition of the property there has been numerous law enforcement visits to the property due to drugs, fighting, etc. Riedell stated that we need to move forward with this. Steinkamp made the motion to

begin the process to condemn the house at 304 Summit St.. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Street work for 2020: The Clerk informed council he has one bid for street work, this company has done work for us before and has done a good job. Another company has not returned the Clerk's phone call. This is tabled until next meeting when the Clerk will hopefully have more information.

Discuss/Approve building permit-Callie Herrig: Riedell made the motion to approve the building permit for Callie Herrig. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Residential Urban Renewal LMI Set Aside: When the city receives TIF money for residential work we have to set aside 38% for Low and Moderate Income. We can send money to Region XII to use in Housing Fund or we can set aside the money and let it accumulate over time and then decide what we want to do with it. This has been tabled for now.

Discuss/Approve Hazardous Mitigation Plan: At the next council meeting Region XII will be present and will be asking for approval on this plan.

Discuss/Approve Budget FY21: The Clerk went through the FY21 Budget with the council. The budget is not due until March 31<sup>st</sup>. The Clerk urged the council to review and if there are any questions to contact him.

Discuss/Approve REAP Grant Agreement with DNR: The Clerk will need to find out if the city will still be awarded this grant since no land needs to be purchased from Hallett's for bike trail.

Discuss/Approve Resolution 2020-01; a resolution designating signatories for bank accounts: This is a resolution that indicates who can sign checks on the bank accounts. Riedell made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-01. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss Water Tower Inspection Report: Midco Diving inspected the city's water tower and gave a report. They vacuumed up a little sediment from the bottom of the tank. Midco reported that the water tower is in good condition. There is a minor repair that could be fixed on the inner liner next time the water tower is painted in the next 3-5 years.

Discuss/Approve Appointments for Mayor: Some appointments have stayed the same and some have changed with the change in council members. Riedell made the motion to approve the appointments by the Mayor. Rohl seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem: Albert Schwanz

Bills: Francis Riedell

911/Emergency: Francis Riedell

Bank Rec:	Brody Steinkamp
Utility Rec:	Ron Lahr
Clerks Report:	Jamie Rohlf
TIF:	Brody Steinkamp
Sanitary Landfill:	Albert Schwanz, Alt-Steven Druivenga
County Supervisors:	Albert Schwanz
Fitness Center:	Brody Steinkamp
Community Center:	Jamie Rohlf
Cemetery:	Albert Schwanz, Alt-Jamie Rohlf
Pool:	Albert Schwanz and Steven Druivenga

#### Public Forum

There is a League meeting on Thursday, Homes for Iowa is the topic. There was some feedback from residents regarding the letter about house numbers being required on buildings. They need to be at least 4 ½ to 5 inches and be visible from the road. This applies to commercial and residential buildings.

#### Adjourn

Riedell made the motion to adjourn. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Attest

Lynn Grosely  
Deputy Clerk