

Wall Lake, Iowa

July 14, 2025

Wall Lake City Council met in council chambers at 5:30 p.m. presided by Mayor Rohlf.

Councilmen present: Schroeder, Riedell, Steinkamp and Nuetzman.

Visitors: Tim Cohoon, Steph King, Randy Nuetzman and Curtis Bloes.

Nuetzman made the motion to approve the agenda. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Schroeder made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting as presented. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Schroeder made the motion to approve the bills as presented with additional bills submitted by ACCO, Rehab Systems and Thrasher. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Public Forum: Steph King gave the council a library update. Randy Nuetzman asked for council's permission to display tractors at the school lot during Farm Festival. Council discussed possibly donating city funds to help with Farm Festival costs, donating will be discussed further.

Discuss/Approve Tim Cohoon to present marketing options: Tim Cohoon presented marketing options, the council asked questions. Cohoon says the biggest challenge with marketing surveys is public participation. Cohoon says a benefit of using social media is that it connects the world. A quarterly newsletter or an email being sent out can be useful for marketing. Cohoon would also update our website and Facebook page. Council thanked him for the information and will discuss further.

Discuss/ Approve Agreement to Lease a portion of the Wall Lake School building: The city and Drost Physical Therapy are negotiating the monthly lease amount. Schroeder motioned the first year lease payment be \$1250.00 per month, the second year payment be \$1500.00 per month and on the third year the city re-negotiates. The lease payment plus monthly utilities for the facility. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Auburn Electric Agreement: The Clerk spoke with the City Clerk in Auburn and informed her that the City of Wall Lake has hired an additional electrician. His hiring in addition to our current electrician will benefit the City of Auburn as well so an increase in our contract agreement is necessary. Schroeder made the motion to increase

the Admin Fee to \$1000 a month and an increase in hourly fee by 10%. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

#### Business and Operations Update

- Twilight Acres We have a meeting with TWA tomorrow at noon to discuss a vision for the facility.
- Park hoop-the stand cost 212 and the backboard and accessories cost 1200
- Park Shelter House concrete-not finished yet because the cavity was much larger than expected, scheduled to come back today and finish.

Discuss/Approve June employee vacation, utility recon, budget and clerks report: Bank account balances, checks, receipts, proprietary accounts, and taxes were discussed. During the presentation council asked questions. Nuetzman made the motion to approve the June Clerk's Report. Riedell seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Ash Tree treat or remove: There are roughly 100 Ash trees left on the city streets. The Clerk compiled a list of trees that are too far gone to treat and is going to contact Tim Peters to see if he would honor the price per tree removal next year that he gave us this year. The Clerk has another list that could be treated or needs to be re-treated. The first treatment is good for 2 years before needing retreat. Nuetzman made the motion to approve the tree removal list. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Steinkamp made the motion to approve the treat/re-treat list. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve nuisance abatement options through County Attorney: The Clerk informed the council that Wall Lake's City Attorney can provide the services provided by the County Attorney concerning nuisance abatements. Nuetzman made the motion to approve cancelling the agreement with the County Attorney regarding nuisance abatements. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Liquor License Community Center: Steinkamp made the motion to approve the liquor license for the Community Center. Riedell seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Building Permit(s): Steinkamp made the motion to approve the building permit for Cassie Herrig. Riedell seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve New Door Project at Shelter House: The Clerk had two different companies give estimates for replacement. One company's bid is for aluminum doors, the other is for steel doors. Nuetzman asked about grants being available for the door

replacement at the shelter house. The Clerk told the council that a business in town wanted to donate to the shelter house when it was built and did not get the opportunity to, the clerk thought this project would be a good cause to donate to.

Schroeder made the motion to purchase the new aluminum doors from DH Pace for \$21400.00. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes. All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Mayor Appointments: The City of Wall Lake is in need of a cemetery sexton. A couple of suggestions were made.

Discuss/Approve 2005 Chevy Impala sealed bids: Two bids were received. Schroeder made the motion to approve the bid from Kurt Faber for \$1450. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Adjourn

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

Upcoming meeting dates are the 28<sup>th</sup> of July and the 11<sup>th</sup> of August.

Attest

Lynn Grosely

Deputy Clerk



