

Wall Lake, Iowa

March 14, 2022

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

Councilmen present: Mott, Riedell, Steinkamp, Rohlf and Nuetzman.

Visitors: Jess Steinkamp, Jim Wissler and Curtis Bloes.

Rohlf made the motion to approve the agenda as written. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Steinkamp made the motion to approve the minutes from the February 28th meeting . Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Steinkamp made the motion to approve the bills as presented with the addition of a bill for mileage from Jody Fischer for \$31.00. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT AND FY 23 BUDGET and LOT SALE

Mayor Druivenga opened the Floodplain Ordinance Amendment public hearing at 7:03 p.m. The Clerk did not receive any comments or questions from the public. Riedell made the motion to close the public hearing. Rohlf seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. The public hearing for the FY 23 Budget opened at 7:05 p.m. There were no comments or concerns from the public. Riedell made the motion to close the public hearing. Rohlf seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. The public hearing for the lot sale was opened at 7:07 p.m. The lot is sold to the Vlasin's for \$15,500.00. Riedell made the motion to close the public hearing. Nuetzman seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Public Forum: Jim Wissler went to an ISAC meeting in Des Moines and said there was a presentation from someone at the meeting regarding grant money that is available for materials for different projects. He thought there might be something available to help with bike trail expenses and gave the clerk a contact name and number for more information.

Discuss/Approve Tractor Lease: The Clerk spoke with the city guys and the tractor is primarily used to move and load snow and for dirt work at the cemetery. The council suggested the city use the money we would spend on a lease to fix our tractor and move forward. Mott stated that he didn't think lease costs would increase but availability could be an issue. This subject is tabled for now.

Discuss/Approve Final Approval of FY 2023 Budget: Steinkamp asked if the REC board budget was included in the city's budget. The Clerk informed him it was not, the city budget is due at the end of March. The city can amend the budget to include the REC center budget at a later date. Rohlf made the motion to approve the FY 2023 budget. Riedell seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve REC Board budget discussion: Riedell made the motion to approve the REC board budget of \$5000.00 for the remaining FY 22 which ends June 30th. Rohlf seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve School Lower East half Cat Grant: Cat Grant Committee met to discuss the grant definition and detail, some suggestions from the public and tour the school. The grant is due April 15th. The committee will meet a couple more times before that date.

Discuss/Approve Sidewalk Program and Ordinance Enforcement: Riedell made the motion to leave the sidewalk program cap at \$2000 and to increase the linear footage reimbursement from \$3.50 to \$4.50. Nuetzman suggested publishing sidewalk program information in the newspaper. Rohlf seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Resolution 2022-09; a resolution approving signatories to Bank accounts: Riedell made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-09. Nuetzman seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Pool Board Manager Hire: Steinkamp told council that the pool board decided to hire Halle Hemer as the pool manager again for the 2022 season. Riedell made the motion to approve Halle Hemer as the pool manager for 2022. Rohlf seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Alleys to resurface: The Clerk received two bids and reviewed the list of alleys from Nuetzman and Riedell that they felt needed repair. The Clerk recommends hiring Blacktop Service to do the work, we have used Blacktop Service before. The Clerk thinks the city should have 3 alleys repaired and 5th Street completed. Nuetzman made the motion to approve Blacktop Service to repair the alleys and 5th Street work. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/ Approve Ordinance 2022-01; an ordinance defining Floodplain Regulations: Rohlf made the motion to introduce and approve Ordinance 2022-01. Steinkamp seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried. Riedell made the motion to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance 2022-01. Mott seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried. Steinkamp made the motion to approve the final passage of Ordinance 2022-01. Nuetzman seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Purchase of new Public Works Pickup-not available until 2023 if ordered now: Riedell suggested getting a bid on a 4 door as well as a 2 door pickup. The Clerk will get bids and bring to a future meeting.

Discuss/Approve Electric wholesale costs and wind generation: The Clerk designed a spreadsheet for council to review that tracks our electric cost, kilowatt hours purchased and wind production year to year. WAPA will be increasing costs next year by approximately \$29,000 which is 15-16%. Transmission costs increase every year by 4-5%. We have not received that information yet. Our

cost from MEAN will also have a minimal increase. The Clerk suggests increasing the meter charge to help offset our costs. The Clerk will present more information at the next meeting on how to best offset the increases. Riedell asked the clerk to ask about possible upgrades to our current turbine for example installing longer blades on our turbine.

Discuss/Approve Resolution 2022-10; a resolution approving Lot sale in Schroeder's 3rd Addition: Riedell made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-10. Rohlf seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve hire Myron Olerich for Summer; possible closed session pursuant to Code 21.5(i) Nuetzman made the motion to hire Myron Olerich for the Summer at \$35.00 per hour, no vacation or benefits. Rohlf seconded. Roll call vote: Rohlf;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Nuetzman;yes. Motion carried.

Adjourn

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

Attest

Lynn Grosely
Deputy Clerk

