

Wall Lake, Iowa

May 13, 2025

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

Councilmen present: Schroeder, Riedell, Steinkamp and Mott. Nuetzman is absent.

Visitors: Curtis Bloes.

Mott made the motion to approve the agenda. Schroeder seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Steinkamp made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 28th meeting as presented. Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Steinkamp made the motion to approve the bills as presented with the addition of a bill from Sarah Koenen, Jamie Rohlf, Rick Hoppe, King Construction and Jim Herrig. Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Mayor Rohlf opened the meeting at 5:35 p.m. There were no questions or comments from the public. Riedell made the motion to close the public hearing at 5:36 p.m. Steinkamp seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Public Forum: The Clerk reported that the basketball hoop at the park will be fixed, it was damaged by a tree.

Discuss/Approve City Clerk possible wage increase and additional title and addition duties; possible closed session code section 21.5 l (i); to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Riedell made the motion to approve increasing Rodman's salary by \$10,000 for accomplishing the additional work that was asked of him by council as a condition of an increase. Schroeder seconded. Ayes: Schroeder, Riedell and Steinkamp. Nays: Mott. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve 125 Center Street request from Sean Lawler: Lawler doesn't agree with the way the city acquired the property at 125 Center Street. He doesn't believe that the property owner was notified properly regarding the city taking the house because the mail was returned undeliverable. The property owner was served in person by the Sheriff.

Schroeder told Lawler that all the money Sean paid on back taxes does not go directly to the City of Wall Lake. Schroeder informed Lawler that he believes it is a matter between him and the property owner concerning getting his investment money back. The Clerk told the council that the City Attorney has assured him the legal process was followed. Council also asked for the notification paperwork in this matter.

Discuss/Approve Business and Operations Update: The Clerk and Schroeder will meet in Denison with Blue Space to discuss marketing our community and its businesses.

Discuss/Approve Ordinance 2025-02 2nd Reading; an ordinance amending the zoning map of the City of Wall Lake: Riedell made the motion to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2025-02. Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Schroeder made the motion to waive the 3rd reading and finally approve Ordinance 2025-02. Roll Call Vote: Schroeder;yes, Mott;yes, Riedell;yes, and Steinkamp;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Building Permit(s): Mott made the motion to approve the building permits for Rodman and Ransom. Permit fees were added to their city bills and approved by Jim Herrig. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Corner Lot Zoning-P & Z should make recommendation: Corner lot front yard lot lines were discussed and council decided that a P & Z meeting should be scheduled to discuss further.

Discuss/Approve Empire Excavation Pay Request 7: Schroeder made the motion to approve pay request #7 from Empire Excavation. Mott seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Adjourn

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

Attest

Lynn Grosely
Deputy Clerk

