

Wall Lake, Iowa

May 26, 2020

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

Councilmen present: Schwanz, Riedell, Steinkamp, Lahr and Rohlf.

Visitors: Curtis Bloes, Kevin Bieret, Brandon Aschinger.

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

Schwanz made the motion to approve the minutes from the May 11th meeting as written. Lahr seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Rohlf made the motion to approve the bills with the addition of \$308.00 to Brody Steinkamp and \$521.50 to Region XII for the sidewalk program. Schwanz seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss Alley next to Farber and Otteman and TIF funds: Council agreed that TIF funds could be used elsewhere. The City donated the lots to Cornbelt and the council agreed that the city doesn't have anything to gain by renovating the alley. The Clerk will inform Cornbelt of the Council's decision.

Discuss/Approve Permanent Pool-what does this mean? We need to make a distinction and stick to it: After much discussion, the Council agreed a pool that remains up for 6 months or longer is considered a permanent pool and a 6' fence will need to surround the pool. The Clerk will speak to city Attorney Bush regarding permanent pool rule.

Discuss/Approve Resolution 2020-08; a resolution setting a date for a public hearing to discuss an agreement between the City of Wall Lake, Corn Belt Telephone and its renters: The agreement will allow the City to use TIF funds to pay 6 months rent for each renter. Riedell made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-08 setting June 8th as the public hearing date. Steinkamp seconded. Roll Call vote: Rohlf;yes, Steinkamp;yes, Riedell;yes, Schwanz;yes and Lahr;yes. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Source Water Protection plan Draft: Following DNR guidelines, a rough draft has been written regarding our Source Water Protection plan. Steinkamp made the motion to approve the draft. Rohlf seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve April Clerks report, vacation, banc rec, utility rec: Bank account balances, checks, receipts, proprietary accounts, and taxes were discussed. During the presentation council asked

questions. Schwanz made the motion to approve the April Clerks report. Rohlf seconded. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

<u>Item description</u>		Revenue	Expense	Total Month
Public safety	1		\$ 4,056.48	\$ (4,056.48)
Public works	2	\$ 9,538.18	\$ 12,755.76	\$ (3,217.58)
Health and social services	3	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Culture and recreation	4	\$ 2,970.00	\$ 7,735.26	\$ (4,765.26)
TIF	5	\$ 33,780.62	\$ 36,104.42	\$ (2,323.80)
General government	6	\$ 2,070.35	\$ 9,218.20	\$ (7,147.85)
Debt service	7	\$ 31,083.41	\$ -	\$ 31,083.41
Business type activities	8	\$ 148,460.04	\$ 116,479.29	\$ 31,980.75
General Non Program	9	\$ 72,150.34	\$ -	\$ 72,150.34
				\$
		TOTAL		113,703.53

Discuss/Approve Cemetery Directory: The Clerk asked the council for input on directory ideas. Lynn contacted a company that sells cemetery directories, but the available options are expensive. Currently we have a binder with laminated sheets as a directory and have had some issues with lost pages of the directory. The Council suggested bringing the binder in during the winter months.

Discuss/Approve Urban Renewal Area: The Clerk would like the council to begin thinking about expanding the Urban Renewal Area for TIF.

Discuss/Approve Council Computer upgrade: Pros and Cons of laptops vs. Ipads were discussed. Ipads have a microphone and camera built in which would be beneficial when Zoom meetings are necessary. Riedell suggested trying to get grant money to help with the cost.

Discuss/Approve Farm Festival, Shelter House, and Wedding Receptions: Kevin Bieret informed the council that cancelling the Farm Festival is being discussed due to the Covid-19 outbreak. Food prices are higher, social distancing would cut seating down to half in the food tent. Kevin and Brandon have had comments from people about not working shifts and kids not being allowed to

ride the rides. Kevin is concerned about the financial hit if attendance is low. The Council and City Clerk would like to have some feedback from the public regarding the Farm Festival. A decision will be made at the next council meeting on June 8th.

Discussion Spruce up Projects, Region XII Triplex: The Clerk suggested power washing or painting buildings to spruce up the city. Steinkamp mentioned the banners that were once downtown. Mayor Druivenga said Nutrien Ag wholesale is interested in local projects to help with as they have done in the past. Riedell would like to have yards with junk cleaned up. Also the Summit Ridge Triplex has 1 unit rented and possibly 2 units available to rent.

Discuss/Approve open pool to patrons: The Clerk would like to open the pool for lessons and laps until the pool can open to the public.

Public Forum

The Clerk reported that our work comp insurance premium has decreased by 50% from discontinuing garbage collection. The formal complaint filed by Curtis Bloes of The Sac News was found unfounded and dismissed. The Clerk reminded council members that city employees are working hard and to try and be more positive when discussing employees with the public.

Adjourn

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

Attest

Lynn Grosely
Deputy Clerk