

# City of Lester

## April 3, 2018

### Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Mayor Dan Gerber called the council meeting to order with council members Ladell Kellenberger, Pam Hawf, Jeff Hoogeveen, Lance Boote, and Curt Doorneweerd present. Also present Cathi Aeschliman, City Clerk, Cody Doorneweerd, Visioning Committee and Dave Altman, Denny's Sanitation.

A motion was made by Jeff Hoogeveen to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, Treasurer's Report and the following bills and warrants issued through March as presented. Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

**Expenses:**

AB Insulation	Town Hall insulation	\$4,003.00
Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$13.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$18.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$443.92
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$383.22
Alliant Energy	Street Lights	\$597.10
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$21.67
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$33.73
Cathi Aeschliman	Wages & Supplies	\$475.20
Denny's Sanitation	Garbage	\$1,937.50
Denny's Sanitation	Community Center	\$363.00
DRG	faucet repair	\$75.00
Iowa State Treasurer	1st Quarter	\$802.00
IPERS	March Contribution	\$189.73
Leutholds	snow removal	\$850.00
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	738,000 gallons	\$1,439.10
Marilyn Ahrendt	Cleaning Wage	\$194.40
Peoples Banks	ACH Fee	\$25.00
Peoples Banks	Community Center	\$10,723.65
Popkes	Propane 525.20Gal	\$624.71
Robert Leuthold	Wage (W \$259.20 & S \$172.80)	\$432.00
Steve Gerber	tape/texture town hall	\$2,773.01
Temple Display	lights -reissue	\$40.51
US Treasury	1st Quarter	\$565.72

**Expenditures**

General	\$19,639.84
Road Use	\$1,487.61
Water	\$2,569.50
Sewer	\$1,026.72
Garbage	\$2,300.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$27,024.17</b>

**Revenues**

General	\$22,424.55
Road Use	\$2,014.46
Water	\$3,229.97
Sewer	\$3,972.12
Garbage	\$1,570.87
Total	<b>\$33,211.97</b>

Discussion was held regarding Lester Junk Day – Dumpsters will be available Saturday May 5, 2018 from 7 am to noon. Council present to assist with loading the dumpsters. Appliances and old televisions will be accepted for a fee of \$15 each. Must provide payment prior to dropping off.

Cody Doorneveerd updated the council on the Visioning Committee.

Dave Altman with Dennys Sanitation discussed they will be increasing the garbage rate per resident in the near future.

**Resolution 2017-3a**

A resolution approving the re-adoption of the 2018-2019 City Budget tax levy as presented to the council. Curtis Doorneveerd made a motion to re-approve the Resolution to re-adopt the tax levy. Ladell Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Dan Gerber,

Mayor

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Attest: Cathi Aeschliman, City Clerk

A motion was made by Pam Hawf to have a Budget Amendment Hearing for the 2017-2018 Budget at the May 7, 2018 Council Meeting at 6:30 PM. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was made regarding trading the current lawn mower for new equipment, Curtis Doorneveerd made a motion to accept the proposal presented to the council, Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voting in favor

Discussion was held regarding the renewal of the ITRON contract for 2018-2019. Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to approve the contract. Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the applications received for the 2018 mowing season. Curtis Doorneveerd made a motion to approve hiring Jeff Hoogeveen. Pam Hawf seconded the motion. Jeff Hoogeveen and Lance Boote abstained from voting; the remaining members voted in favor.

Discussion was held regarding updates to the Community Center, consisting of installing carpet in the mezzanine to assist with noise reduction and installing stairs to access the area safer and easier to be utilize the storage space.

Discussion was held regarding abandoned properties in town.

**RESOLUTION 2018-5**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LESTER, IOWA TO REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE OF THE STAFF OF THE NORTHWEST IOWA PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.**

WHEREAS, Lester has agreed to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement creating the Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Commission (hereinafter called the Planning Agency) and is a member in good standing; and WHEREAS, the City wishes to engage the Planning Agency to provide certain technical and professional services in connection with **updating the City's Book of Codes**

WHEREAS, Article III.E of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement gives the Planning Agency the responsibilities outlined in Chapters 28H and 28I, Code of Iowa; NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the City Council of Lester, Iowa that the Planning Agency be requested to provide staff assistance in the above mentioned project; and

THAT, the City Council understands and will comply with Policy Council guidelines regarding the assessments of costs of the Planning Agency staff assistance.

Pam Hawf made a motion to update the City's Book of Codes, Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Discussion was held regarding the flooring issues in the small room at the Community Center, the company that installed the floor will be contacted to get it fixed prior to the summer rental season.

Alliance Communications installed a new router in the Community Center.

The next regular city council meeting will be Monday, May 7, 2018 at 6:30 PM at the Lester City Council Chambers.

Ladell Kellenberger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Attest: Cathi Aeschliman, City Clerk