

City of Lester

February 1, 2016

Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

Mayor Dan Gerber called the council meeting to order with council members Curtis Doorneweerd, Pam Hawf, Ladell Kellenberger, Jeff Hoogeveen and Lance Boote present. Also present Christa Lee, City Clerk.

A motion was made by Pam Hawf to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the January 4th meeting, Treasurer's Report and the following bills and warrants issued through January as presented. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Expenses:

A1 Janitorial	Lift Station Cleaner	\$562.92
Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$34.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$80.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$790.24
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$265.68
Alliant Energy	Street Lights	\$472.26
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$16.39
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$21.14
Border County Co-op	Comm Ctr Refund	\$75.00
Christa Lee	Wages & Supplies	\$461.40
Denny's Sanitation	Jan Garbage	\$1,488.00
Heartland Hardware	Snow Shovels	\$93.98
Heartland Paper	Supplies	\$49.67
IPERS	Jan Contribution	\$191.94
Kathi Wilke	Wages	\$86.40
Kathy Doorneweerd	Cleaning Wage	\$149.04
Leutholds	Curb Box	\$2,471.32
Leutholds	Snow Removal	\$3,800.00
Leutholds	Snow Removal	\$712.50
Lyon Co Municipal League	Dues	\$103.60
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	Jan Water Used 581,000 Gal	\$1,045.80
Mangold Environmental Testing	Water Tests	\$316.00
Modern Gas/Popkes	500.3 Gal Prop	\$410.25
New Century Press	Jan Minutes	\$61.13
Robert Leuthold	Wage (Water & Sewer)	\$432.00
US Postal Service	Stamps	\$49.00
Wall Street Printers	Checks	\$97.50

Receipt:

Option tax		\$2,378.40
Garbage Income		\$1,558.00
Account Interest		78.75
Road Use Money		\$2,034.25
Water Rent		\$2,876.83
Gym Memberships		\$267.60
Community Center Rentals		\$2,000.00
Lyon County Tax Money		\$1,322.37
Sewer Rent		\$3,646.97
Extended Ag Rent		\$250.00
US Treasury	3rd Qrt overpay	\$276.51
Sign Rent		\$25.00

Discussion was held regarding the upcoming 2016-2017 City Budget. Christa Lee presented budget information. Lance Boote made a motion to set a Budget Hearing for March 7, 2016. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Ordinance 1-2016

Discussion was held regarding an ordinance the City Code of Lester, Iowa by adding to Title IV Chapter 2: Streets and Alleys, Article 18 – Streets, Curb & Gutter Standards, 18.01 Curbs and Gutters, Item 5 is added and amended to state: The City will pay up to \$10.00 in lieu of \$8.00 per running foot for new curb with a limit of 100 feet total per property owner and maximum of 7 projects for the city total each year. Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to amend the curb rate from \$8.00 to \$10.00. Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Ordinance 2-2016

Discussion was held regarding an ordinance the City Code of Lester, Iowa by adding to Title IV Chapter 3: Sidewalks, Article 19 – Sidewalk Regulations 19.06 Sidewalk Standards, Item 12 is added to state: The City will pay \$6 per foot for the replacement of sidewalks with a maximum of 100 feet total per owner and maximum of 7 projects for the city total each year. Jeff Hoogeveen made a motion to add payment reimbursement for sidewalk replacement. Curtis Doorneweerd seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Resolution 2016-2

Discussion was held regarding Resolution 2016-2 amending wages. Council Members will receive \$60 per meeting in lieu of \$50, this change will be effective January 1 of the next fiscal year following an election or reelection. Mayor will be paid \$1,200 per year in lieu of \$600 and will receive \$60 per meeting in lieu of \$50, this change will be effective January 1, 2018. City Clerk will be paid \$450 per month in lieu of \$350, this change is effective immediately. Mowing rates were also reviewed due to the new mowing equipment available for mowing. The following rates will be amended to the following for the Ball Park \$60 in lieu of \$85, Cemetery \$120 in lieu of \$150 and Park-Community Center \$80 in lieu of \$100. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to amend the wages as stated. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the upcoming Lester Community Soup Supper on February 20, 2016 and the items the city would like to raise money for. The city council would like to raise money for more concrete for the Community Center parking lot, as they would like to finish pouring concrete to the street. Also vinyl baseboard is needed throughout the community center along with additional vinyl is needed in the gym.

Discussion was held regarding Lester Betterment has a bike rack that will be installed by the warming house at the bus stop on the west side.

Discussion was held regarding building permit for Lester Feed & Grain to demolish the north elevator that is attached to the office. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve Building Permit 082-2016. Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

The next regular city council meeting will be Monday, March 7, 2016 at 6:30 PM at the Lester City Council Chambers.

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