

# City of Lester

## May 2, 2016

### Regular Meeting 8:00 PM

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

**BUDGET AMENDMEN HEARING** A motion was made by Pam Hawf to approve the 2015-2016 Budget Amendment as presented. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

A motion was made by Curtis Doorneweerd to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the Minutes of the April 4th 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:**

3D Security	Service	\$95.00
A1 Janitorial	Sewer Drain Opener	\$561.63
Alison Vargas	Scooping Snow	\$108.75
Alliance Communications	Sewer Phone	\$34.00
Alliance Communications	Community Center	\$80.00
Alliant Energy	Sewer	\$506.01
Alliant Energy	Community Center	\$248.47
Alliant Energy	Street Lights	\$483.87
Alliant Energy	Ball Park	\$27.83
Alliant Energy	Siren	\$33.12
Christa Lee	Wages	\$388.80
Christa Lee	Hard drive	\$94.99
Data Tech	Utility Software	\$2,718.75
Denny's Sanitation	April Garbage	\$1,503.50
DSG	Water Meter	\$20,693.35
Heartland Hardware	Comm Ctr Supplies	\$164.66
IPERS	May Contribution	\$256.32
Jeff Hoogeveen	Mowing	\$354.24
Jeff Hoogeveen	Spraying Supplies	\$89.97
Kathi Wilke	Wages	\$86.40
Kathy Doorneweerd	Cleaning Wage	\$162.00
Lyon & Sioux Rural Water	Aprl Water Used 599,000 Gal	\$1,078.20
Mangold Environmental Testing	Water Test	\$33.00
Mark Gerber	Comm Ctr Repairs	\$258.36
New Century Press	Minutes/Budget Amend	\$186.62
Pete Van Wyhe	Snow Removal	\$870.82
Robert Leuthold	Wage (Water & Sewer)	\$432.00

Robert Leuthold	Mileage - Training	\$101.52
Robert Leuthold	Lagoon Weed control	\$139.80
Stensland Gravel	Red Rock	\$569.52
US Postal Service	Stamps	\$94.00

**Expenditures**

General	\$3,344.55
Road Use	\$1,086.51
Water	\$24,874.14
Sewer	\$1,646.80
Garbage	\$1,503.50
Total	\$32,455.50

**Revenues**

General	\$34,235.21
Road Use	\$1,663.49
Water	\$2,493.41
Sewer	\$3,541.00
Garbage	\$1,582.00
Total	\$43,515.11

Christa updated the council on the status of the new water meters. Bob Leuthold has the majority of the water meters installed. There just a few remaining to be installed. The meter reading software was delivered and will need DSG to install and train on this. The city needs to purchase Utility Billing and integration software to work with the meter reading system. Christa will research and obtain information on this. Data Tech, our current accounting software provides a Utility Billing Module, along with e-billing and Automatic Payment modules. Council has recommended that residents remit the minimum amount due for May 1 - Water, Sewer and Garbage to keep accounts current.

**Resolution 2016-6**

A resolution approving Mini Grant request from Lyon County Riverboat Foundation for a Floor Scrubber for the Community Center. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve the resolution. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Dan Gerber, Mayor

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Attest: Christa Lee, City Clerk

**Resolution 2016-7**

A resolution approving Mini Grant request from Lyon County Riverboat Foundation for a Paint and Painting the Community Center Gym. Pam Hawf made a motion to approve the resolution. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Dan Gerber, Mayor

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**Resolution 2016-8**

A resolution approving Mini Grant request from Lyon County Riverboat Foundation for a Net for the First Base Line at the Roy Hoogeveen Ballfield. Curtis Doorneweerd made a

motion to approve the resolution. Ladell Kellenberger seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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Discussion was held regarding The Road Guy proposal for seal coating the road in the City. A decision was made to hold off this year with this project as the city has other street projects that need to be completed this year.

Discussion was held regarding adding a Meadowview Park, Brian Mogler presented information to the council. Community surveys were completed by Meadowview residents and the majority supported this project. Curt Doorneweerd and Lance Boote will represent the council as they are on the Parks Committee. Location of the park is being review, to allow for expansion and the addition of bathrooms and a shelter.

Discussion was held regarding Junior High Community Service Days June 1 and 2. Suggested projects are to paint the concession stand and bus stop. Curt Doorneweerd will review additional project needs for the city.

Discussion was held regarding Building Permit 084-2016 – Jon and Kate Gerber to refinish basement located at 201 4<sup>th</sup> St, Lester, IA. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve the building permit. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding Building Permit 085-2016 – Lester Feed & Grain to replace the existing facility with another, Lester, IA. Ladell Kellenberger made a motion to approve the building permit. Pam Hawf seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding Keith’s Korner upcoming renewal of the Cigarette License. Pam Hawf made a motion to approve the license. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the alley between Riggs and Clinton Street. Pete Van Wyhe and Merlin Meyer were there to present information regarding their proposed improvements adding concrete to the alley. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve the city committing \$5,000 to this project. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the Lift Station on Clinton Street, DSG has provided a quote for part for \$846.04 to have a by-pass valve for overflow. Pam Hawf made a motion to approve the purchase and installation . Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding residents sump pump water disposal. The city has requested all home owners have their sump pumps dispose to the ground outside and not to the city sewer system. This will help with the infiltration of excess water going to the cities lift station.

Discussion was held regarding Lyon County Health is offering Home Health help to residents of the county. Brochures are available at Lyon County Health or the City office.

Discussion was held regarding the cleaning of the water hydrants. Bob Leuthold will need to complete this and establish a program for continued flushing of the hydrants.

A special phone meeting was held on May 9, 2016 to approve the following two items.

Discussion was held regarding Building Permit 086-2016 – Chalea Knobloch to demolish the old garage located at 309 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Lester, IA. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve the building permit. Lance Boote seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of Utility Billing software from Data Tech estimated cost of \$5350. Curtis Doorneweerd made a motion to approve the purchase of the software. Jeff Hoogeveen seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

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

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

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