

CITY OF LAMBS GROVE

COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 5, 2019

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Patrick Edwards at 7:00 p.m. Roll call: Cindy Humke, Cathi Fouts, and Chris Norman present. Absent: John Bartello and Chris Wood. Fouts moved and was seconded by Humke to approve the agenda. Motion carried 3-0.

Guests: None

New Business:

- a. Oaths of office were taken by Mayor Edwards, Humke, Fouts, and Norman. Machin will meet with Bartello and Wood to give oaths yet this month.

Consent Agenda:

Norman moved and was seconded by Humke to amend the list of bills to include payment to Iowa Codification for \$139.00. Motion carried 3-0. Norman moved and was seconded by Fouts to approve all the items on the consent agenda including the minutes from the November 7, 2019 meeting, amended list of bills, and reconciliation report for November. Motion carried 3-0.

JCARL	Participation Fee	\$21.25
News Printing Company	Publications	\$262.52
Dodd's	Sanitation Contract	\$700.00
Christina Machin	Salary	\$410.64
Patrick Edwards	Stipend	\$177.14
Cindy Humke	Stipend	\$138.53
Steve Thomassen	Stipend	\$138.53
Cathi Fouts	Stipend	\$138.39
Chris Norman	Stipend	\$138.39
John Bartello	Stipend	\$138.39
IPERS	Retirement	\$75.05
Jasper County Treasurer	Election	\$607.52
Iowa Finance Authority	GO Loan	\$1,980.00
Iowa Finance Authority	Special Revenue Loan	\$1,020.00

MSA Professional Services, Inc.	Engineering Services	\$8,445.00
Randy's Lawn Care & Snow Removal	Snow Removal	\$2,250.00
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$24.12
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Iowa Codification	Ordinance	\$139.00
Total December Bills		\$17,211.19

General Fund	\$1,881.78
Charges for Fee	\$2,733.94
Local Option Sales Tax	\$1,344.68
Emergency	\$32.80
Road Use Fund	\$1,674.54
Debt Service	\$334.15
Total Nov Revenue	\$8,001.89

General Fund	\$14,271.53
Charges for Fee	\$0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	\$0.00
Road Use Fund	\$2,686.28
Debt Service	\$0.00
Total Nov Expense	\$16,957.81

Mayor: Mayor Edwards addressed a resident complaint that was brought up at the November meeting regarding the tree ordinance. The updated tree ordinance has been codified. The revised ordinance does not allow for the Council to tell people to cut down trees. The Council can have a discussion in which was the case with the resident's complaint, but they are not allowed to force a resident to take a tree down. Also, Edwards stated that erosion issues are the responsibility of the homeowner and not of the City.

Edwards had a discussion with the City Attorney regarding the current snow ordinance. At the advice of the City Attorney, the City sent out a newsletter to notify the citizens of the Snow Ordinance. The

Sheriff has jurisdiction to ask residents to move vehicles parked on the street when the Snow Ordinance is in effect.

Edwards also reported that a newsletter was mailed to all residents.

Finally, Edwards reported that he attended the Emergency Management Budget Meeting. There will not be an increase for services. The next meeting is January 28<sup>th</sup> in which they will approve the budget.

Streets: The repair of potholes will not be done this year. It may be possible to add them to the Pioneer Drive project next year.

Sewers: No report

Parks: No report

Tree Steward: There is a dead tree hanging over the street at 121 Oakwood Ave. The resident is aware of the situation. Residents at 101 Pioneer will be removing a dead tree that is damaging their property.

Storm Sewers: Norman reported the work on Emerson Hough has been completed. Grass mats have been put down and the curb has been fixed.

City Clerk: No report

Old Business:

- a. Humke moved and was seconded by Norman to use Spear Financial for funding of the Pioneer Drive Pavement & Drainage Improvement Project. Motion carried 3-0.

Humke moved and was seconded by Norman to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Next City Council meeting to be held January 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Christina Machin, City Clerk

Mayor

Patrick Edwards

City Clerk

Christina Machin