

CITY OF LAMBS GROVE

COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 7, 2016

Public hearing was called to order by Mayor Patrick Edwards at 7:00 p.m. Roll call: Tom Clark, Kent DeGoey, Steve Thomassen, and Cathi Fouts present. Absent: Cindy Humke. DeGoey moved and was seconded by Clark to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Guests: Tamara Wilson

There were no written or oral objections to the proposed Ordinance No. 2016-001.

Fouts moved and was seconded by DeGoey to adjourn the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Patrick Edwards at 7:01 p.m. Roll call: Tom Clark, Kent DeGoey, Steve Thomassen, and Cathi Fouts present. Absent: Cindy Humke. Clark moved and was seconded by DeGoey to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Guests: Tamara Wilson

New Business:

- a. Thomassen moved and was seconded by Clark to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2016-001. Motion carried 4-0. DeGoey moved and was seconded by Thomassen to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings. Motion carried 4-0.
- b. Tamara Wilson spoke to the Council regarding multiple sewer back-ups in her basement. DeGoey will follow up with the City's project engineer for the sewer lining project, Snyder & Associates, as well as Wilson's plumber to better understand the home's plumbing and why the back-ups are occurring.
- c. Fouts moved and was seconded by DeGoey to approve the Attorney Employment Agreement with Caldwell, Brierly, Chalupa & Nuzum, PLLC. Motion carried 4-0.
- d. Thomassen presented a bid to the Council received from Jasper Construction Services, Inc. to repair Pioneer Drive and install new storm intakes. The total was approximately \$71,000. The Council discussed the need to repair Pioneer as well as other streets in the future and the source of funding for these repairs. The city clerk will research to see what other small cities use for funding these types of projects.
- e. The Council passed a resolution to obtain a business credit card with a credit limit of \$1,500.
- f. The city clerk asked the Council to begin thinking about budget planning for fiscal year 2017. She will prepare a rough draft for review at the next meeting.

Consent Agenda:

DeGoey moved and was seconded by Fouts to approve all of the items on the consent agenda including the minutes from the December 3, 2015 meeting, bills, and reconciliation report for December. Motion carried 4-0.

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| JCARL                              | Participation Fee     | \$20.03    |
| News Printing Company              | Publications          | \$76.90    |
| Dodd's                             | Sanitation Contract   | \$670.00   |
| Jasper County Treasurer            | Election              | \$2,340.47 |
| Christina Machin                   | Salary                | \$392.64   |
| IPERS                              | Retirement            | \$158.42   |
| United States Treasury             | Employment Taxes      | \$926.16   |
| Snyder & Associates, Inc.          | Professional Services | \$187.03   |
| Warnick, Inc.                      | Jet Storm Sewer       | \$250.00   |
| Jasper Construction Services, Inc. | Guardrail Replacement | \$1,800.00 |
| Machin Lawn Works                  | Snow Removal          | \$2,050.00 |
| Alliant Energy                     | Utilities             | \$19.31    |
| Total January Bills                |                       | \$8,890.96 |

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| General Fund           | \$1,706.01 |
| Charges for Fee        | \$2,551.14 |
| Local Option Sales Tax | \$914.60   |
| Emergency              | \$42.96    |
| Road Use Fund          | \$1,647.13 |
| Debt Service           | \$448.99   |
| Total Dec Revenue      | \$7,310.83 |

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| General Fund | \$2,249.58 |
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| Charges for Fee    | \$1,108.08 |
| Road Use Fund      | \$2,417.82 |
| Debt Service       | \$2,460.00 |
| Total Dec Expenses | \$8,235.48 |

#### Staff and commissions reports

Mayor: Mayor Edwards reported that he attended the Jasper County Emergency Management meeting and they will be meeting again at the end of the month to approve the budget. Edwards also met with Bob Callaghan, Newton Superintendent, the transportation manager, and other officials at Thomas Jefferson to discuss traffic concerns during school hours. The school is aware of the situation and giving considerable thought to the issue.

Streets: Clark reported that he contacted Alliant Energy to replace a street light at Highview and Tonka Trail.

Sewers: No additional report

Parks: No report

Tree Steward: Fouts reported that she did not have any reports as tree steward but would attend the next Library Board meeting to represent Lambs Grove.

Storm Sewers: Clark asked the city clerk to add Warnick, Inc. as a preferred vendor in the City's Emergency Plan.

City Clerk: Machin reported that she had met with a representative from IPERS for a compliance review.

Old Business: None

Clark moved and was seconded by DeGoey to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Next City Council meeting to be held February 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Christina Machin, City Clerk

Mayor

Patrick Edwards

City Clerk

Christina Machin