

CITY OF CALLENDER – CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 7, 2020

The Callender City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Callender Community Center by Mayor Randy Hanson Present: N. Martens, D. Lee, W. Martens, K. Simonson, and K. Jondle.

Guests present were Luke Fleener to share his experience and the plans he has if he is elected the next Webster County Sheriff. Fleener has 30 years of experience, done a substantial amount of training, and believes we need more law enforcement within Webster County since it is the 13th largest county in the state.

Austin Morrow was also present to discuss the current Thomas Street Project and that as of now we are still on time with the original completion date. The project has had a few change orders that were needed due to issues that were found while the street was torn up.

Paul Macken was also present to share a few ideas he had with snow removal. Public works thanked him for his suggestions and he said he would take those into consideration.

Cynthia McKeeham was also present to ask the city for any information that anyone might have in regards to the ownership for the Prairie View Apartments. All that could be shared is what was on the Webster County Assessors page.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Simonson to approve the Consent Agenda; including Minutes of the City Council 09/08/2020, Claims Payables and Financial Report Bundle September 2020. All Ayes. MC

Motion by K. Simonson, Second by W. Martens to approve the Agenda. All Ayes MC

Motion by K. Simonson, Second by N. Martens to accept Change Order #2 for Thomas Street Project. All Ayes MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to accept the pay estimate #3 for Thomas Street Project. All Ayes MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Simonson to hire on Mark George as the permanent full time public works person. All Ayes MC.

Motion by D. Lee, Second by K. Jondle to write off bad debt for the property at 611 Thomas Street. All Ayes MC.

In regards to the property at 611 Thomas Street at this time it will be tabled until the November Meeting so that the council has time to look at the property and see what options that they can come up with for the property.

Clerk shared that the new website for the City of Callender is up and going. The web address is cityofcallenderiowa.com. All the necessary forms are online such as building permits and utility applications. You can also sign up for Webster County emergency alerts. Citizens can then pick Callender and you will get emergency alerts for Callender send right to your phone. Online payments are also something that will be online soon. The clerk will be gone for training Oct 21st until Friday October 23rd in Des Moines. Planning and Zoning are working on updating the ordinance for planning and zoning.

The librarian Kim Anderson was present to share that the library is now open again at full capacity. She will be working to get all programs up and running.

Public Works has been working on various items including items for the current street project, including getting items ready for the colder months ahead. He also talked to the council about the possibility of getting a Bobcat for the city. He feels that more things would be able to be completed around town with the Bobcat rather than the tractor. The Van Wert company has also been in town installing the new water meters. The electric meters will be installed in the next few weeks.

CALHOUN COUNTY ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC	13,381.85	
IOWA DNR	WATER PERMIT	95	
GOWRIE NEWS & PRINT SHOP	PUBLISHING	91.63	
HEARTLAND BANK	SAFE DEPOSIT BOX	40	
IPERS	IPERS	1,179.23	
IOWA UTILITIES BOARD	DUES	320	
LEHIGH VALLEY COOP TELEP	UTILITIES	463.92	
ACCESS SYSTEMS	CONTRACT	95.29	
MENARDS	PARK ELECTRICAL	663.97	
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	51.56	
NAPA AUTO SUPPLY	TRUCK	19.98	
STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA	DUES	47.56	
STATE WITHHOLDING	STATE TAXES	905	
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	MEETING	50	
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	HEALTH INS	539.18	
CITY OF CALLENDER	UTILITIES	1,607.82	
MER ENGINEERING	THOMAS STREET	3,258.80	
WEBSTER COUNT TREASURER	DRAINAGE	5	
DPC INDUSTRTIES	CHEMICALS	20	
VAN WERT INC.	METERS RADIO READ	6,296.40	
ROSALEZ LOCK & KEY	KEYS	20	
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	1,857.43	
JETCO	PUMP WATER PLANT	5,050.00	
KINGSGATE INSURANCE	WC AUDIT	244	
BOMGAARS	PARK	6.45	
DAVE MCLLOUD	CONTACT	297.5	
STRAIGHT TALK	CELLPHONE	144.09	
HORRELL ENVIRONMENTAL	CONTRACT	760	
JOHNSON LAW FIRM	LEGAL	1,037.50	
VISA	PROGRAMMING	55.47	
CASTOR CONSTRUCTION	THOMAS STREET	237,314.71	
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS	9,089.13	
		EXPENSES	REVENUE
	GENERAL FUND	6,642.74	13947.41
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	1,469.53	4101.85
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	195.81	2907.17
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	240,573.51	6928.89
	WATER FUND	9,647.07	13229.3

SEWER FUND	3,443.21	5237.34
ELECTRIC FUND	23,036.60	39336.42
STORM WATER FUND		3937.06
EMERGENCY		215.91
LOST		4527.47

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held at 6:00pm at City Hall on Tuesday November 10, 2020.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Simonson to adjourn at 8:02 pm. All Ayes. MC

Randy Hanson – Mayor

ATTEST:

Kate Peterson - City Clerk