

# CITY OF CALLENDER – CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

## December 9, 2020

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Pursuant to Iowa Code 29c.6(6) and at the request of the Iowa League of Cities on behalf of numerous local governmental bodies, I (Gov. Reynolds) temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code 21.8, 26.12, and 414.12, or any other statute imposing requirement to hold a public meeting or hearing, to the extent that the statutes could be interpreted to prevent a governmental body from holding the meeting by electronic means, provided that the governmental body properly notices the meeting or hearing and includes a telephone conference number or website address that permits the public to participate in the meeting or hearing. I also temporarily suspend those statutes to the extent they could be interpreted to prevent a governmental body from limiting the number of people present at an in-person location of the meeting, provided that the governmental body provides a means for the public to participate by telephone or electronically as provided in this section.

The Callender City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Randy Hanson. Present: K. Simonson, N. Martens, D. Lee, W. Martens, K. Jondle.

Guests were Lance Rossow and Austin Morrow with MER Engineering to some options that they had come up with in regards to the sidewalks. Three drawings were presented. MER shared that they would like to come to a solution in regards to the project. The council stated that they would take those drawings into consideration.

Motion by K. Simonson, Second by W. Martens to approve the Consent Agenda; including Minutes of the City Council 11/10/2020, Claims Payables and Financial Report Bundle November 2020. All Ayes. MC

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

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Simonson to go into closed session inviting Public Works Employee Mark George to participate in closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(c) to confer with City Attorney Brian Yung regarding potential litigation on the Thomas Street Project. Mark George agreeing to attend closed session. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: D. Lee, N. Martens, W. Martens, K. Jondle and K. Simonson. All Ayes. MC

Motion by K. Simonson, Second by D. Lee to reopen regular council meeting at 7:17 P.M. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Simonson to direct the city attorney to investigate and pursue legal remedies for the Thomas Street Project as well as directs him to hire whomever he deems necessary but with expenses not to exceed \$5000.00 at this time. All Ayes MC.

Motion by K. Simonson, Second by K. Jondle to table Change Order #3. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by K. Simonson, Second by K. Jondle to table Pay Estimate #5. All Ayes. MC.

No discussion was held as the Webster County Mask Mandate has not been discussed or finalized by the Webster County Supervisors.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to approve Resolution 2020-30 Setting Public Hearing for Sale of Property at 611 Thomas Street Roll Call: D. Lee, N. Martens, W. Martens, K. Jondle and K. Simonson. All Ayes. MC

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Simonson to approve Resolution 2020-31 Setting Compensation for Employees. Roll Call: D. Lee, N. Martens, W. Martens, K. Jondle and K. Simonson. All Ayes. MC

The Mayor of Otho reached out and was wondering on the possibilities of a 28E Agreement with regards to police protection. The council would like to have a meeting to gather more details with Otho.

Due to COVID this year for budget planning purposes each council member will be fill out the budget worksheet and provide it back to the clerk so the numbers can be put into the budget.

Snow removal will be the responsibility of each business owner along Thomas Street per ordinance 136.03 in the Code Book. Mayor Hanson will touch base with Dave McCloud to see if he was still willing to help with snow removal when needed.

Library report was given by council member W. Martens she shared that at this time the library had been awarded the Deardorf grant.

Public works shared that a block heater had been put on plow truck. He also stated that he would be looking for lights to go on the tractor to provide better lighting.

John Horrell stated that he is looking into possible issues with the salt. He felt that we were using more than in the past when it regenerates.

CALHOUN COUNTY ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC	12,305.43
GOWRIE NEWS & PRINT SHOP	PUBLISHING	274.21
GOWRIE MUNICIPAL UTIL	SET POLE	3,007.17
IPERS	IPERS	1,327.39
IOWA UTILITIES BOARD	DUES	138
LEHIGH VALLEY COOP TELEP	TELEPHONE	475.6
ACCESS SYSTEMS	CONTRACT	100.07
MENARDS	SUPPLIES	153.4
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	60.68
PEDERSON SANITATION	RECYCLING	450
STAR ENERGY	FUEL	146.77
KAHL CONSTRUCTION CO	CURB STOP	1,271.04
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALL	18
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	HEALTH INS	539.18
CITY OF CALLENDER	UTILITIES	1,897.94
WEBSTER COUNT TREASURER	TAXES	8
DPC INDUSTRIES	CHLORINE	20
IMFOA	TRAINING	125
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSN	DUES	225
QUILL	SUPPLIES	242.43
VAN WERT INC.	ELECTRIC METERS	3,766.35
NORTH IOWA LIBRARIES	BEACON	803.86
HACH COMPANY	WATER PLANT	249.68
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAXES	2,086.54

AG SOURCE	WATER TESTING	25.5	
STRAIGHT TALK	CELLPHONE	144.09	
SALES TAX	SALES TAX	423	
JOHNSON LAW FIRM	LEGAL	525	
NICK MARTENS	CONTRACT LABOR	646	
GWORKS	READER INTERFACE	595	
VISA	PROGRAMMING	52.74	
CASTOR CONSTRUCTION	THOMAS STREET	404,754.75	
VC3	IT	875.5	
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS	2,373.95	
		EXPENSE	REVENUE
	GENERAL FUND	7,703.54	21466.06
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	1,139.07	3630
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND	134.81	2464.47
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	404,754.75	5873.76
	WATER FUND	5,017.34	8912.67
	SEWER FUND	3,287.05	3598.63
	ELECTRIC FUND	22,818.61	22330.78
	STORM WATER		3177.74
	LOST FUND		8512.7
	EMERGENCY FUND		183.04

The next council meeting will be Tuesday Jan 12, 2021.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Jondle to adjourn the meeting at 8:13pm. All Ayes MC.

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Randy Hanson – Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kate Peterson - City Clerk