

CITY OF CALLENDER – CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2021

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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.

Mayor Pro Tem K. Simonson opened the public hearing for the approval and acceptance of the 2021-2022 max levy. There were no written comments from the public and no one made any comments during the public hearing. Motion by D. Lee, Second by K. Jondle to close the public hearing. All Ayes. MC.

The Callender City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Simonson. Present: R. Hanson, N. Martens, D. Lee, W. Martens, K. Jondle.

Guests were Lance Rossow and Austin Morrow with MER Engineering to share more in depth options in regards to the sidewalks. Drawings were presented again. MER will follow up on what can be done in regards to more safety measures with the sidewalks until a solution is arrived at with the City and MER.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to approve the Consent Agenda; including Minutes of the City Council 01/12/2021, Claims Payables and Financial Report Bundle January 2021. All Ayes. MC

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

Motion by D. Lee, Second by W. Martens to table change order #3 until more information was obtained from the contractor and sub contractors to explain all change orders. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by D. Lee, Second by K. Jondle to table pay estimate due to the fact the pay estimate is due to change order #3. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Jondle 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. Jondle, Second by D. Lee to reopen regular council meeting at 7:11 P.M. All Ayes. MC.

Information was shared with the council on possible police protection with the City of Otho. Motion by N. Martens, Second by W. Martens to hold off going into 28E Agreement at this time with Otho as we still have police protection with the Webster County Sheriff until June. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by K. Jondle to approve Resolution 2021-04 Setting Public Hearing for Considering the city's proposed budget for FY 2021/22 Roll Call: D. Lee, N. Martens, W. Martens, K. Jondle and K. Simonson. All Ayes. MC

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to approve Resolution 2021-05 Approval of Max Levy for FY 2021/22 Roll Call: D. Lee, N. Martens, W. Martens, K. Jondle and K. Simonson. All Ayes. MC

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to approve Resolution 2021-06 Compensation for Library Assistant. Roll Call: D. Lee, N. Martens, W. Martens, K. Jondle and K. Simonson. All Ayes. MC

Discussion was held in regards to proposed changes or annex to alleyway. At this time the council will not change the location of any alleyway or annex.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to offer the park time public works employee to Jeremy Urelus for \$15.00/hr. All Ayes. MC.

Discussion was held in regards to the utility rates. At this time due to the increased cost of many fixed costs the council will look at a proposed rate increase. Many fixed costs have gone up in the last several years.

John Horrell shared that Gowrie had looked at the outage at the Lift Station. The water plant generator has been working. The cells at the lagoon are still very low.

Public works shared he has been working hard to keep the streets clean and is still working on getting all the electric meters changed out. The water meters should be finished at the end of March first part of April.

CALHOUN COUNTY ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC	14,402.77	
GOWRIE NEWS & PRINT SHOP	PUBLISHING	268.86	
GOWRIE MUNICIPAL UTIL	ELECTRIC	195	
HEARTLAND BANK	LIBRARY SAFE DEPOSIT	25	
IPERS	IPERS	1,232.17	
LEHIGH VALLEY COOP TELE	TELEPHONE	275.07	
ACCESS SYSTEMS	CONTRACT LABOR	121.29	
MENARDS	STREETS	17.96	
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	342.55	
PEDERSON SANITATION	RECYCLING	450	
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALL	2.7	
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	HEALTH INS	539.18	
CITY OF CALLENDER	UTILITIES	2,020.59	
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	305.4	
DPC INDUSTRIES	CHEMICALS	254.43	
IMFOA	DUES	50	
INLINE SERVICE LLC	PLOW TRUCK	741.39	
HIWAY TRUCK EQUIP INC.	SNOW PLOW	107.35	
HACH COMPANY	WATER SUPPLIES	88.49	
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	1,917.66	
HORRELL ENVIRO SERVICE	CONTRACT LABOR	760	
JOHNSON LAW FIRM	LEGAL	2,025.00	
VC3	IT	530.9	
DECORAH PUBLIC LIBRARY	LARGE PRINT BOOKS	34.95	
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS	3,613.79	
		EXPENSE	REVENUE
	GENERAL FUND	7,574.48	2367.5
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	790.34	229.23
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	134.81	
	WATER FUND	3,619.18	9957.83

SEWER FUND	2,022.20	3834.66
ELECTRIC FUND	16,181.49	18027.69
STORM WATER FUND		2997.4
	30,322.50	37441.31

The next council meeting will be Tuesday March 09, 2021.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm. All Ayes MC.

Kevin Simonson – Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Kate Peterson - City Clerk