

CITY OF CALLENDER – CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 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 budget for FY 2021-2022. There were no written comments from the public and no one made any comments during the public hearing. Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee 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: Mayor R. Hanson, N. Martens, D. Lee, W. Martens, K. Jondle.

Guests were Lance Rossow and Austin Morrow with MER Engineering to share more information in regards to the sidewalks. We are still seeking solutions for the sidewalk and gave more information in regards to the change order and pay estimate.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to approve the Consent Agenda; including Minutes of the City Council 02/09/2021, Claims Payables and Financial Report Bundle February 2021. All Ayes. MC

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

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee 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 W. Martens to reopen regular council meeting at 6:51 P.M. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to deny change order #3 so each item can be listed on its own change order. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by D. Lee, Second by N. Martens to deny pay estimate #5 until we can review each item on the individual change orders. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second D. Lee to sell the red flashing light for \$200 that was previously at the 4 way stop of Mortimer and Thomas. This will no longer be able to be up due to underground utilities. All Ayes. MC.

Discussion was held again in regards to the annex, selling or easement of alleyway. The council will still need additional information in order to make an informed decision.

Motion by D. Lee, Second by K. Jondle to approve Resolution 2021-07 approval of Proposed Fiscal Year Budget

2021-2022. Roll Call: N. Martens, W. Martens, D. Lee and K. Simonson. All Ayes. MC

Motion by D. Lee, Second by K. Jondle to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #199 Amending Water Utility Rates. Bulk Water from \$14.72 to \$15.00 per thousand gallons. Water Minimum from \$27.41 (2000 gallons) to \$30.21 and over 2000 gallons from \$13.40 to \$15.20 per thousand gallon. Six months after the passage of the the 3rd reading the rates will go Bulk Water from \$15.00 to \$17.00 per thousand gallons. Water Minimum from \$30.21 (2000 gallons) to \$33.00 and over 2000 gallons from \$15.20 to \$17.00 per thousand gallon. Roll Call Vote Ayes: K. Simonson, D. Lee, K. Jondle, W. Martens, and N. Martens. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by N. Marten, Second by D. Lee to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #200 Amending Electric Utility Rates. Minimum bill increase from \$10.90 to \$12.95. Increase electric over 51 kwh wholesale + .0351¢ per kwh to wholesale + .0375¢ per kwh. Six months after the passage of the the 3rd reading the rates will be Minimum bill increase from \$12.95 to \$15.00. Increase electric over 51 kwh wholesale + .0375¢ per kwh to wholesale + .04¢ per kwh. Roll Call Vote:Ayes: K. Simonson, D. Lee, K. Jondle, W. Martens, and N. Martens. All Ayes. MC.

Motion by N. Martens, Second by D. Lee to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #201 Amending Sewer Utility Rates. Sewer minimum from \$11.21 (2000 gallons) to \$13.86 and for each additional thousand gallon used per month from .00568 to .00709 (\$5.68 to \$7.09 for each additional thousand gallon). In six months after the passage of the 3rd reading the rates will go to \$13.86 (2000 gallons) to \$16.50 and for each additional thousand gallon used per month from .00709 to .00850 (\$7.09 to \$8.50 for each additional thousand gallon). Roll Call Vote:Ayes: K. Simonson, D. Lee, K. Jondle, W. Martens, and N. Martens. All Ayes. MC.

7:20PM N. Martens had to leave meeting.

Public Works will work to see if clean up days will can be April 24, 2021 or May 1, 2021.

The city has received minimal information that Callender will be a pass thru City for the RAGBRAI route this year. An informational meeting will be held at the end of the month that will provide additional information to the city. More information will be given at the next council meeting.

A question in regards to roosters in town had been brought up and to date the ordinance for chickens is 5 hens and no roosters.

W. Martens shared that the library is been planning on holding an Easter Egg Hunt this year. Library decided to change the hours in order to try and get more diverse group of patrons.

Public works has about 50 more electric meters to change out and then that project will be complete. He will also be looking at what it would take to purchase a power broom. A lot of clean up work has already been completed at the park with the help of the new part time person. However, a few more things will need to be completed at the park once the ground allows for it. The quote for the new door at the chlorine room was received. Something will need to be done with that door as soon as possible.

John Horrell shared that the brine tank will need to be replaced in the near future. It has been leaking as well as using more salt. More salt will need to be ordered in the next few weeks.

CALHOUN COUNTY ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC	16,074.39
BROWN SUPPLY	WATER LOCK OUT	26
GOWRIE NEWS	PUBLISHING	338.86
IPERS	IPERS	1,463.94
IAMU	DUES	1,661.00
LEHIGH VALLEY COOP TELEP	TELEPHONE	841.28
ACCESS SYSTEMS	CONTRACT	97.37
MENARDS	SUPPLIES	81.19
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	375.55

PEDERSON SANITATION	GARBAGE	4,235.00	
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	IMFOA TRAINING	125	
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	INSURANCE	539.18	
CITY OF CALLENDER	UTILITIES	1,554.42	
POSTMASTER	BOX RENTAL	96	
SW WEBSTER AMBULANCE	ANNUAL PMT	2,500.00	
CALLENDER CEMETERY	ANNUAL PMT	1,500.00	
CALLENDER FIRE DEPT.	ANNUAL PMT	4,500.00	
DPC INDUSTRTIES	CHLORINE	30	
INLINE SERVICE LLC	PLOW TRUCK	52.87	
GUNTHER SALT COMPANY	SALT	4,072.79	
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAXES	2,178.99	
OFFICE AUDITOR OF STATE	AUDIT	1,500.00	
HORRELL	CONTRACT LABOR	760	
SALES TAX	SALES TAX	421	
JOHNSON LAW FIRM	LEGAL	1,650.00	
MOSQUITO CONTROL OF IA	MOSQUITO SPRAYING	1,000.00	
MPLC LICENSE	DUES AND FEES	145	
VC3	IT	530.9	
GROWMARK	FUEL	641.45	
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	LEGAL	271.5	
PATHFINDERS STRATEGIC	ZONING ORDINANCE	750	
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL	7,509.75	
		EXPENSE	REVENUE
	GENERAL FUND	23,398.73	8761.67
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	1,582.22	2676.37
	DEBT SERVICE		383.63
	EMERGENCY		11.96
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	134.81	160.96
	2011 SEWER IMPROVEMENT	750	
	WATER FUND	8,840.02	9701.02
	SEWER FUND	2,900.00	3777.22
	ELECTRIC FUND	19,917.65	22307.8
	STORM WATER		3359.26
	TOTAL	57,523.43	51139.89

The next regular council meeting will be on Tuesday April 13, 2021 at 6:00PM.

Motion by D. Lee, Second by K. Jondle to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm. All Ayes MC.

Kevin Simonson – Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Kate Peterson - City Clerk