

**Calamus City Council Proceedings
December 6, 2021**

Mayor Pro Tem Goettsch called the regular meeting of the Calamus City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. with members Griebel, Buckner, Reed, Sprague present. Mayor Leibold was absent.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the November 1st meeting, Clerk's financial report, Claims Register and the following revenues and expenses:

Accounts Payable:

941 Tax – 1365.78, IPERS – 739.05, Alliant Energy, utilities – 1,837.53, Anderson Gravel – 462.76, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, policy Lacey – 595.64, Calamus Country Store, fuel – 509.40, Chemsearch – 344.91, Clinton County Sheriff's Office, monthly contract – 1,057.81, F & B Communications, phone & internet – 168.51, First Trust & Savings Bank, recycle trailer – 132.11, Hawkins, Inc.- 644.39, Iowa Pump Works – 893.75, IRWA – 225.00, JJJ Enterprise – 579.44, John Deere Financial – 115.42, J&R Supply 500.00, Mid-American Research – 897.04, Observer, publications – 128.11, Origin Design – 2800.00, QC Analytical- 1131.00, Republic Services, garbage contract & dumpsters – 3182.10, Schimburg – 70.68, Technology Solutions – 840.98, Topline Outdoor Services – 109.44, Utility Equipment – 123.75, Water Services LLC- 500.00, Visa – 440.71

Gross Wages:

\$5,038.36

Revenues:

General Fund – 17401.65, Employee Benefit Fund- 586.79, Road Use – 2391.04, Water – 7346.04, Sewer – 9006.53, Garbage – 3073.88, Recycling – 468.90 **Total Revenue – 40,274.83**

Expenses:

General Fund – 8712.86, Employee Benefit Fund – 659.87, Road Use – 1181.02, Water – 9065.19, Sewer – 224.69, Garbage – 3143.02, Recycling – 397.15 **Total Expenses – 25,383.80**

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Reed with a second by Buckner. All ayes.

Public Forum: No oral or written comments were made

Christy Stankee w/ Operation Prom moved to January meeting

A motion was made by Goettsch with a 2nd by Griebel to list lots 1-4 on Creek Rd. with a realtor for 6 months at \$20,000 per lot with a 12 month start to build time from purchase date. All Ayes

Discussion was held that with the completion of the new water meter project that after the 3rd and final readings of **Resolutions 2022-04 and 2022-05**, meter readings will be done on a monthly basis and billed accordingly. Anticipated effective date of this change will be March 1, 2022.

The first of three readings to approve **Resolution 2022-04** to change water rates to \$35.00 for the 1st 2000 gal. and \$9.00 for each 1000 gal. thereafter was presented. Ayes by Goettsch, Buckner, Griebel, Sprague. Nay by Reed.

The first of three readings to approve **Resolution 2022-05** to change sewer rates to \$35.00 for the 1st 2000 gal. and \$3 for each 1000 gal. thereafter was presented. Ayes by Goettsch, Buckner, Griebel, Sprague. Nay by Reed.

A motion was made by Buckner to approve the renewal of the BCBS Health Insurance plan for Mike in Feb. 2022 along with adding Stacy to the plan on Jan. 1, 2022. Griebel 2nd. All ayes

Goettsch made a motion for the city to get two quotes on tree trimming from local arborist for the trees at Memorial Park. Sprague 2nd the motion. All ayes.

Reed discussed possibility of locking the gate at the city disposal area in hopes of deterring people from dumping items other than tree trimmings/yard waste but after further discuss they council thought it would be best to leave the gate unlocked but to post signs as to what the area is approved for. A motion by Reed to purchase signs with a cost of no more than \$200 was made with a 2nd by Goettsch. All ayes.

Reed made a motion to approve the building permit for the improvement of Calco Building's back entrance and also to waive the \$10.00 fee. Buckner 2nd. All ayes.

Buckner made a motion to approve the renewal of the Calco Building's liquor license that is due in January with the state reimbursement given back to the Calco. Griebel 2nd. All ayes

Reed made a motion for the city to give Pat Schultz a retirement gift as a Thank You for all the years of service that she as given. 2nd Goettsch. All ayes.

Buckner made a motion to give Mike a year end bonus of \$1250. Griebel 2nd. All ayes.

Goettsch made a motion to accept offers for rent on the 1.8 acres of farm ground on the west side of cemetery. 2nd by Griebel. All ayes.

Reports: Hometown Pride has a meeting on Dec. 15, 2021 at the Calco Building at 6pm to discuss funding opportunities from the state and local levels for projects in town. Another round of FEMA funding has come in for recovery cost from the Derecho.

At 6:52 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Buckner with a second by Reed. All ayes.

Lance Goettsch, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:

Stacy Iams, City Clerk