

The Clear Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 9, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Gary Eide presiding. Those present were Alderwomen Kelli Bauman and Ramona Drake, Aldermen Carey Holt, Harry Mewherter, John Keimig and Jon Klockman. Also present were Val Lundquist, Don Ebbers, Ken Reiste, Todd Boyd, and Jodi Bjerke. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Was noted that 7:00 appointment would not be coming due to illness. Asked to be put on the next agenda.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Klockman to approve the agenda with noted changes. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Keimig to approve the consent agenda as follows: Minutes – Regular Meeting November 12, 2019; Monthly Financial Statements for the Month Ending November 30, 2019; Sales Tax Subsidy of \$5,832.90 going to Deuel County Memorial Hospital; Building Permits: Approved: Don Cassels 705 2nd St W – 10'x16' Shed. Delinquent Water Bills; Approval of Warrants; Approvals of permits are subject to the condition that they are in accordance with all building codes and ordinances of the City. South Dakota Rural Water Conference Jan. 14, 2020, Don Ebbers attending. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-yes; Drake-yes; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-yes; Mewherter-yes. Motion carried.

Warrants Approved: Council Payroll 1507.08; Mayor Payroll 635.13; Finance Officer Payroll 2457.86; Gen Gov't Building Payroll 334.38; Highway Payroll 6631.93; Snow Payroll 1324.19; Rubble Site Payroll 1031.30; Park & Rec Payroll 781.57; Library Payroll 1870.99; Community Center Payroll 251.12; Water Payroll 3947.24; Sewer Payroll 5335.23; Aflac 100.10 Supplemental Ins; Washington National 81.15 Cancer Ins; SD Retirement 1916.90; Health Pool of SD 4991.38; Delta Dental of SD 228.70; DNB-FICA/WH 4182.35; Appera 64.58, CC Supplies; AT&T Mobility 79.54 Cell Phone; Avera OCC Medicine-Mitchell 95.55 Drug Testing /New Employee; Bjerke Sanitation 6019.73 Garbage Fees; Boyd Law Firm, Prof. L.L.C. 704.00 Professional Services; Brookings-Deuel RWS 9847.00 Water Purchase & Tap Fee; Butler Machinery Co. 146.02 Street Supplies; Clear Lake City Library 355.29 Library Supplies; City of Clear Lake 594.26 Water Usage & Meter Deposit Refunds; Clear Lake Building Center 2953.54 Gov't Repairs & Street & Snow Supplies; Clear Lake Courier 1149.38 Publications & Supplies; Clear Lake Chamber of Commerce 475.00 Chamber Bucks; Connecting Point 265.00 Installation & Backup; Core & Main 56.30 Water Supplies; Shannon Crooks Painting Inc. 1010.00- Gov't Building Maintenance; D & L Digging 1887.00 Water Repair – curb stop; Deuel Area Dev 2500.00 Budget Request 2nd half; Deuel County Auditor 5968.91 Police Contract; Deuel Co Motor Supply 245.95 Supplies; Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 2358.09 Supplies & Fuel; Div of Criminal Investigation 43.25 Background Check; Deuel County Memorial Hospital 5832.90 Sales Tax Subsidy; DCN Insurance Agency 901.50 DC Ambulance Insurance; SD DENR 54.00 Operator Certification Renewals; Environmental Toxicity Control 800.00 Effluent Toxicity Testing; First Bank & Trust 100.62 Conf Travel & Lodging; Corey Franken 100.00 WM Deposit Refund; Gates Heating 272.48 Supplies & Repairs; H-D Electric Coop INC 376.47 Utility; H-D Elec Coop, INC 130.54 Supplies; Diane Huettl 68.02 WM Deposit Refund; ITC TELECOM 470.83 Phones; JP Cooke Co 65.15 Pet Lic; Sandra Koenecke 975.00 75' Curb & Gutter Reimbursement; Mas Media Inc. 497.00 Website; Maynard's Food 91.03 Supplies; Milbank Winwater Works 413.62 Supplies & Repairs; Julie Newberg 650.00 50' Curb & Gutter Reimbursement; Northwestern Energy 556.29 Utility; Office Peeps 306.69 G/F Supplies; Ottertail Power Co 3991.73 Utility; Ottertail Power Co 29.23 Utility; Pitney Bowes – Purchase Power 52.55 Postage Meter, Postmaster 120.00 PO Box Rental - Library, SD Dept of Health 104.00 Water/Wastewater Testing; Same Day Express, INC. 25.00 Wastewater Testing; SD State

Treasurer (SD DOR) 572.72 License # 1018-0935-ST, SD Water and Wastewater Assoc 20.00 Assoc. Dues; Secretary of State 30.00 Notary Fee; Courtnie Smith Uckert 200.00 CC Deposit Refund Steve Rhody Services 38.00 Window Washing; Swenson Sales & Service INC 66.38 Pickup Parts; US Auto Force 9.91 Street Supplies; US Bank Trust-SPA LKBOX CM9695 6837.30 Loan Payment; United States Dept of Ag 6107.00 Loan Payment; Van Diest Supply Company 735.00 West Nile Supplies.

No one appeared for public voice.

Appointment 6:35, Opening of Garbage Contract Bids. Only bid received was by Bjerke Sanitation. Bid is for 5 year span. Bid was for \$11.45 per resident per month, with one per month recycling pickup. Motion by Holt, seconded by Drake to accept the bid. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-yes; Drake-yes; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-yes; Mewherter-yes. Motion carried.

Appointment 6:45 Scott Mohrer with Banner Associates, gave an update on the 2nd & 3rd Streets and 2nd Ave reconstruction project. City of Clear Lake was awarded a grant to do this project. It's taking more engineering than initially thought and bid cost estimates are coming in higher than originally planned. Asphalt pricing has gone up in cost since 2018.

Old business; Second Reading of Ordinance # 578 Supplementing Appropriations. Motion by Keimig, seconded by Holt to complete the ordinance. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-yes; Drake-yes; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-yes; Mewherter-abstained. Motion carried.

Drinking Fountain for government building. There was miscommunication with quote from company and actually cost was higher than what council had agreed to and voted on. Then a fountain came in at Federal Surplus, same brand name and style but does not have a cooler system for cold water. It will be room temperature water. Cost is \$ 125.00, compared to approximately \$ 1,200.00. Motion by Holt, seconded by Keimig to purchase the Federal Surplus fountain for \$ 125.00. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-no; Drake-no; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-no; Mewherter-yes. Tied vote broken by Mayor Gary with a yes. Motion carried.

Recycling in the city; Discussion during Garbage Bid opening.

FEMA flood plain; FEMA has done a research project and deemed 11 households and a business in a potential flood plain. It is not a mandatory requirement by FEMA to designate area next to the creek as a flood plain zone. Holt suggested that the residents that have been noted in the area, be sent information about the FEMA data and they can decide if they would like to be a designated floor plain zone. Rest of council agreed.

Other business before the council; Rib Dinner with Legislators in Pierre, February 4 & 5, 2020.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Keimig to declare the following as surplus property, having no value or of value less than \$500.00 and authorize disposal of same: City of Clear Lake-2 Computer Towers obsolete, 3 Computer Monitors obsolete, Small shredding machine does not work, 1 Computer Base due to lightning strike, 1 HP printer due to lightning strike, chairs in Municipal Room. Surplus property in Library; 2 boxes of Misc. Décor –not used, 4 brown throw rugs curling around the edges. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-yes; Drake-yes; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-yes; Mewherter-yes. Motion carried.

Received notice from Brookings- Deuel Rural Water that they will be increasing water rates in February 2020. The tap fee will increase by \$ 45.00 to \$1,545.00 and the water rate will increase from \$2.05 to \$2.20 per 1,000 gallons. The City Services committee will get together to review the city fees.

Review and first reading of ordinance # 579 Amending Ordinance 2-7-4 Burning Waste. Suggested changes were noted and will be made for the second reading at the next meeting. Motion by Klockman, seconded by Holt to accept first reading with changes. All voted aye.

Council confirmed Christmas Holiday time off on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday December 23, 24, 25, 2019.

Comments by City Superintendent Don Ebbers – none. City Attorney Todd Boyd gave updates on recent letters that he had sent out. No comments from the Mayor or Council members.

Motion by Klockman, seconded by Keimig to adjourned as regular council and moved into executive session at 7:34 pm for personnel and legal counsel. All voted aye. Mayor Eide declared the Council out of Executive session at 8:06 p.m.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Keimig to adopt the recommendation of the personnel committee for the City Finance Officer position and salary pay. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-yes; Drake-yes; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-abstain; Mewherter-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Keimig to eliminate two part-time positions and merge them into one full time position. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-yes; Drake-yes; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-yes; Mewherter-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Klockman, seconded by Mewherter for City Attorney to send letter to citizen regarding non-payment of bill due to garbage pickup. Upon roll-call vote the following votes were cast: Bauman-yes; Drake-yes; Holt-yes; Keimig-yes; Klockman-yes; Mewherter-yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business, motion by Holt, seconded by Keimig to adjourn at 8:09 p.m. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Val Lundquist
Assistant Finance Officer

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