

City of Garnavillo

The City of Garnavillo City Council met in a regular session on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 104 North Main Street. The meeting was only open to no more than 10 people and included the Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff. (Social distancing was followed.)

PER IOWA CODE 21.8 AN ELECTRONIC MEETING WAS HELD AS COVID-19 AND GOVERNORS DIRECTIVE REQUIRING SOCIAL DISTANCING MAKES AN IN-PERSON MEETING IMPRACTICAL OR IMPOSSIBLE.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Chad Schmelzer.

Roll call was taken, council members in attendance were Mat Mueller, Valerie Cromer, Bob Bodish, Daryl Petsche and Bonnie Dietrich who attended via the GoToMeeting link.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Hearing

FY20 Budget Amendment #1

The FY20 Budget Amendment #1 Public Hearing opened at 7:01 pm. There were no verbal or written comments received. The hearing closed at 7:01 pm.

M/S Cromer/Petsche To approve Resolution 2020-37 A Resolution approving FY20 Budget Amendment #1.

Roll Call

Aye: Petsche, Bodish, Cromer, Mueller, Dietrich

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

M/S Bodish/Petsche To approve the consent agenda. Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 0 Abstention: 0

Claims

15089	UNITY POINT CLINIC	\$ 42.00	Testing
15090	UPPER EXPLORERLAND RPC	\$ 2,156.89	Grant Admin

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15091	WRIGHT, JASON	\$ 16,650.00	Squad Car
13753E	AFLAC	\$ 83.40	Premiums
13754E	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	\$ 3,626.84	Withholdings
13755E	US CELLULAR	\$ 219.51	Cell Phones
17E	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 62.91	Phones
18E	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 881.29	Phones
19E	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$ 1,024.31	Utilities
1E	POSTMASTER	\$ 26.35	Water Samples
22E	SAMS CLUB	\$ 234.01	Supplies
30E	TOWN & COUNTRY SANITATION INC	\$ 4,465.50	Trash/Recycling
32E	WELLMARK	\$ 1,590.57	Premiums
33E	US CELLULAR	\$ 219.51	Cell Phones
34E	IPERS	\$ 2,431.36	Retirements
35E	TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	\$ 1,728.00	Withholdings
36E	TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	\$ 1,974.00	Water Excise Tax
37E	TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	\$ 578.00	Sales Tax
38E	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 880.19	Phones
39E	THREE RIVERS FS CO	\$ 510.64	Fuel
40E	ALLIANT ENERGY	\$ 6,450.46	Utilities
41E	POSTMASTER	\$ 195.00	Stamps
42E	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	\$ 5,359.33	Withholdings
42E	WEEBLY.COM	\$ 105.93	Website
43E	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 63.41	Phones
46E	TOWN & COUNTRY SANITATION INC	\$ 4,465.50	Trash/Recycling
47E	LOGMEIN INC	\$ 288.00	Fees
48E	ALLIANT ENERGY	\$ 5,916.26	Utilities
49E	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$ 679.78	Utilities
50E	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 875.84	Phones
51E	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 63.30	Phones
52E	WELLMARK	\$ 1,590.57	Premiums

Old Business

Ordinance 04-2020 Flood Plain Regulations

M/S Petsche/Cromer To approve the final reading of Ordinance 04-2020 Flood Plain Regulations.

Roll Call

Aye: Bodish, Cromer, Mueller, Dietrich, Petsche

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Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Camera RFP

M/S Cromer/Bodish To approve Resolution 2020-38 A resolution approving the Camera RFP.

Roll Call

Aye: Cromer, Mueller, Dietrich, Petsche, Bodish

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

New Business

City Hall Improvements: Handrail

M/S Mueller/Petsche To approve Resolution 2020-39 A resolution approving the purchase of handrail for city hall not to exceed \$3,500.00.

Roll Call

Aye: Mueller, Dietrich, Petsche, Bodish, Cromer

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

City Hall Improvements: Entryway

M/S Cromer/Petsche To approve 2020-40 A resolution approving city hall improvements: entryway not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Roll Call

Aye: Mueller, Dietrich, Petsche, Bodish, Cromer

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

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W Oak Street Traffic Issues

Council reviewed and discussed the email received from Chuck Lawson regarding his concerns about the traffic on W Oak Street. After reviewing the ordinance with Attorney Kruse they asked Administrator Atkinson and Kruse to work on an ordinance that would allow them to designate a truck route to help stop traffic on residential streets.

Equipment: Police Vehicle Purchase

M/S Cromer/Bodish To approve Resolution 2020-41 A resolution approving the purchase of a police vehicle, not to exceed \$16,650.00.

Roll Call

Aye: Dietrich, Mueller, Bodish, Petsche, Cromer

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Brandel Lawn & Landscaping Proposal

Council and staff discussed the proposals received for mowing and determined that would not need the services this year.

Equipment: Mower Purchase

M/S Petsche/Cromer To approve Resolution 2020-42 A resolution approving the purchase of a mower not to exceed \$8,900.00.

Roll Call

Aye: Dietrich, Mueller, Bodish, Petsche, Cromer

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Hearing of Delegations

Garnavillo Booster Club members spoke to council regarding the 4th of July celebration, they asked for guidance. After much discussion Mayor Schmelzer stated that the council

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will leave the decision to the boosters and that the only way the city would stop it is if the restrictions set by the State of Iowa were such that our insurance would be invalid.

Department Reports

Chief of Police Dugan reviewed his written report with council and address their comments and concerns.

Public Works Superintendent Schroyer provided council with his report and asked what they would like to do about the crosswalk signs. Schroyer stated that they signs are now over \$300 apiece and get run over or damaged frequently, council discussed and determined that they did not feel it was necessary to put the out. Schroyer also updated council on a manhole repair that needs to be done.

City Administrator Atkinson's written report was reviewed and council directed her to proceed with tablets for council to save money and make things easier.

Council Comment

Council Member Mueller stated that the city office needs to be open, Administrator Atkinson stated that we are following what the county offices are doing and that she has been back in the office full time since April 20th. Mueller stated that we aren't the county we are our own entity.

Council Member Cromer stated that she feels that what is being done as far as the city office is fine, there is no reason for people to be just hanging out and that there is nothing that has to be done face to face.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Schmelzer asked if the curbs could be painted twice a year, what would that cost a be and if the curbs could be scraped prior to painted this year. City Administrator Atkinson said that she would talk to public works since PWS Schroyer had left the meeting.

Schmelzer also commented that PWT Puelz asked if the fence by the old waste water plant could be taken out since it is falling down, council agreed that it needs to be done.

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M/S Bodish/Petsche To adjournment at 8:56 am. Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 0
Abstention: 0

Mayor, Chad Schmelzer

Attest:

City Administrator/Clerk, Melissa Atkinson