

Pleasantville City Council Meeting

March 23, 2020 at 5:30pm

Mayor Steve Marsh opened the meeting with council members Kody Jurgens, Carol Allen, Clinton Wallace, Kyle Patterson and Jordan Van Ness present.

Mayor Marsh welcomed everybody joining the meeting electronically via Zoom. He informed all that the zoning for the property on W Jasper Street and the Memorial Hall contract have been removed from the agenda for this meeting to be fair to all parties involved due to the Covid-19 situation.

Mayor Marsh opened the public hearing for the FY 2021 budget. Engineer, Jordan Stoermer, informed the council that there was a neighboring property owner that had concerns about changing the zoning. He informed them that after the property owner was informed who purchased the property, they were more comfortable with the change. Council Member Allen made a motion to close the public hearing. Seconded by Jurgens, all voting in favor motion carried.

Mayor Marsh opened the public hearing for the zoning change R-1 to C-1 for Parcel 1933104500 owned by Adkins Specialized Carriers. With no written or oral comments or questions council member Jurgens made a motion to close the public hearing. Seconded by Van Ness, all voting in favor motion carried.

Mayor Marsh commended the city staff for filtering emails and phones calls during this difficult time. He also gave appreciation towards the water and wastewater operators and explained they are essential employees as well because they must continue to make sure the water and wastewater is treated.

Council Member Wallace asked Mayor Marsh what the timing was to discuss with Tami Bingham about the contract for the Memorial Hall and having a new proposed contract sent to her. Marsh explained he asked to have a proposed contact sent to her and it's not a final contract and it will have to be discussed and approved by the council before it is final. Wallace asked why a contract was sent to her if it's not a final contract. Marsh explained he assigned two council members the task of reviewing the contract and the one sent to Tami is what they will propose to the council. Marsh explained he didn't want Tami to be surprised by the change and that's why he requested it be sent to her. Wallace expressed he feels it should have been presented to the council first.

Police Chief/City Administrator, Joe Mrstik, informed the council that he has had a lot of meetings with the county about the Covid-19. He explained he is pushing all the information out to citizens on Facebook and the website. Mrstik informed them all the city staff is still available by phone or email. Council Member Allen asked if we could gather information from our local businesses about their hours and carry out options if available and push that info out to the citizens to help support the businesses. Mrstik explained the Chamber of Commerce has reached out to the businesses and is trying to gather all that information so we can get it to the public. Council Member Jurgens talked about gathering volunteers to help citizens with getting supplies if they can't get out during this time. He also explained there is a Facebook page that has been created for people who are willing to volunteer and for those citizens who are needing the additional help.

Parks and Rec Director, Jordan Flaws, informed the council that the Little League season has been suspended until May 11th. He also informed the council that the Indianola Community Church reached out to him to help support a project. Every year they give a donation towards a "For the City" project. They are going to give \$1000 for the project and Flaws plans to replace both dugouts at the west field and paint the bathrooms. Van Ness asked if refunds will be issued if the Little League season is canceled, Flaws explained refunds will be issued if that is the case. All the new bleachers are in and Jordan has been working with Kerry McDaniel about the concrete work that needs to be done.

Motion by Wallace, seconded by Allen to approve the consent agenda as follows; approval of previous council meeting minutes, approval of February 2020 financial reports, approval of water consumption report for February 2020, approval of employee comp time, approval of Police Report and approval of the following bills: All voting in favor, motion carried.

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT	VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
AUTOKRAFT	HYD HOSE	118.66	MENARDS DES MOINES	WWTP SUPPLIES	167.83
BADGER METER	SOFTWARE SUPPORT	780	MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	4,251.39
STUYVESANT & BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	350	MID-IA SOLID WASTE EQUIP	PARTS	695.05
BOBS CUSTOM TROPHIES, INC	BB TOURN TROPHY	22.55	MIDWEST OFFICE TECH	COPY MACH	41.58
BRANDON PENNINGTON	CELL STIPEND	20	MYERS INSURANCE	LIABILITY INS.	45,218.00
BROWN SANITATION	RECYCLING	630	NORTHCOTE MEATS INC.	CONCESSIONS	495.26
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPY MACHINE	127.68	ON DECK SPORTS	PITCHING MOUNDS	996
CAPITAL ONE BANK	SUPPLIES	1,303.48	TREASURER-STATE OF IA	STATE TAXES	1,489.00
CAPITAL ONE BANK	SUPPLIES	2,556.88	PELLA COOPELECTRIC	6108156371	2,647.36

CASEY'S BUSINESS CARD	FUEL	1,604.44	PEOPLES BANK	NSF FEE	5.35
CASEY'S BUSINESS CARD	FUEL	950.7	PETERBILT OF DES MOINES	PARTS-08 PETE TRUCK	550.57
CHRIS WEBER	BASKETBALL REF	210	PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE	424.65
CJ COOPER & ASSOCIATES INC	CLEARING HOUSE	25	P-VILLE WRESTLING ALUMNI	WRESTLING TOURN	2,200.00
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	CASE ID 927284	499.47	POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	193.9
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	CASE ID 927284	499.47	SAFE BUILDING COMPLIANCE	INSPECTIONS/PERMITS	394.92
COLONIAL LIFE	COLONIAL PRETAX	62.18	SHIELD TECHNOLOGY CORP.	PD SOFTWARE	290
DEARBORN NATIONAL	INSURANCE	294.65	SNYDER AND ASSOCIATES	ENGINEERING	30,962.92
DEARBORN NATIONAL	INSURANCE	284	SOUTH CENTRAL IOWA SWA	LANDFILL FEES	15
DMACC	WW/WA TRAINING	500	SUBSURFACE SOLUTIONS	LINE LOCATOR	4,275.00
DOLLAR GENERAL	BATTERIES-WA PLANT	19.8	THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO.	PAINT	172.3
EFTPS	FEDERAL TAXES	367.42	TIM COX	REIMB- W/H CHECK	43.42
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	4,154.05	U.S. WAWTER SERVICES, INC	VALVES	1,883.05
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	4,210.71	TRAVIS SMITH	BASKETBALL REF	360
ELITE PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	123.05	TROY GILCHRIST	REIMB-SUPPLIES	16.04
FAREWAY FOOD STORES	CONCESSIONS	13.67	TROY GILCHRIST	CELL STIPEND	20
GALLS, LLC	PD UNIFORMS	75.93	VERIZON	COMMUNICATIONS	120.07
HACH	SUPPLIES	360.63	VERMEER DEVELOPMENT	AGREEMENT	10,450.00
HAWKINS INC	SCALES/REGULATORS	5,712.43	WELLMARK BL CR/BL SH	INSURANCE	6,974.25
HERRMANN COMPUTER SVC	INSTALL COMPUTER	360	Accounts Payable Total		164,804.61
HOUSE 2 HOUSE	CLEANING	322.5	Payroll Checks		22,677.53
MARION CO HUMANE SOC	CONTRACT	141	***** REPORT TOTAL *****		187,482.14
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	WA EXCISE TAX	1,076.00	GENERAL		58,075.27
IA DEPT OF REVENUE	Sales tax/option tax	253	MEMORIAL HALL		707.28
IDNR	EXAM FEE	30	RECREATION		8,987.73
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATE NOTICES	21.7	ROAD USE TAX		18,674.35
IPERS	PROTECTED IPERS	6,000.11	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		5,247.94
JAMES FLAWS	BASKETBALL REF	360	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX		10,450.00
JEREMY FLAWS	BASKETBALL REF	180	CAPITAL PROJ-PARK PROJECT		996
JIM FLAWS	BASKETBALL REF	420	JASPER ST RECONSTRUCTION		19,943.97
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES	TESTING	578.49	CAP PROJ-TRAIL EXTENSION		4,625.00
KNOXVILLE JOURNAL EXPRESS	PUBLICATIONS	85.8	WATER		31,904.86
MARION COUNTY SHERIFF	GARNISHMENT	196.47	SEWER		27,833.74
MCCLURE ENGINEERING CO.	CONTRACT	13,019.27	STORM WATER		36
MEDIACOM	COMMUNICATIONS	530.51	TOTAL FUNDS		187,482.14

Revenue received during month of February 2020: General Fund \$8,306.17; Memorial Hall \$262.22; Recreation \$14,651.74; Road Use Tax \$21,066.90; Employee Benefits \$737.13; Local Option Sales Tax \$13,300.04; Debt Service \$452.56; Water \$28,847.78; Jasper St Water Main \$11,620.00; Water Reserve \$1,853.09; Sewer \$43,757.02; Sewer Sinking \$26,569.87; Storm Water \$2,073.64; Jasper St Storm Water \$137902.00

New Business:

Council Member Wallace asked if the new owner of parcel 1933104500 will be expecting the city to run water to the property if the zoning change from R-1 to C-2 is approve. Stoermer informed the council that changing the zoning don't prompt the city to do anything with the water or sewer. He explained the next step is for them to submit a site plan and that plan will show all that information. Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Patterson to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2001(c), amending the zoning from R-1 to C-1 for Parcel No. 1933104500 owned by Adkins Specialized Carriers. All voting in favor motion carried.

Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Wallace to approve waiving the second and third readings for Ordinance No. 2001(c), amending the zoning from R-1 to C-1 for Parcel No. 1933104500 owned by Adkins Specialized Carriers. Attorney, John Judisch, explained to the new members an ordinance must have three readings before it can become enforced, however, the second and third readings can be waived. All voting in favor motion carried.

Wallace gave thanks to council member Allen for participating with the budget committee as a new council member. Motion by Van Ness seconded by Wallace to approve Resolution 20-11, approving the adoption of the FY2021 budget. All voting in favor motion carried.

Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Patterson to approve Cowden Sanitation and Bennett Waste & Recycling as the haulers within the city and approve Bennett Waste & Recycling as the hauler for the City of Pleasantville for \$125 per month. All voting in favor motion carried.

Public Works Director, Shawn Breazeale, explained to the council that the DNR has been recommending a chlorine leak detector. Motion by Wallace, seconded by Allen to approve the purchase of chlorine leak detection equipment in the amount of \$2400. All voting in favor motion carried.

Mrstik explained to the council that one of the concerns about the Jasper Street project was speeding. He informed the council that he received two quotes for a speed sign to be placed on Jasper Street. One quote was from MPH for \$4376 and the other one was from Traffic Safety for \$3219. Mrstik explained this will be reimbursed up to \$3000 from GTSB, he recommends the council approve the to purchase the speed sign from Traffic Safety for \$3219. Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Wallace to approve the purchase of a speed sign from Traffic Safety in the amount of \$3219. All voting in favor motion carried.

Breazeale recommended the council approve the clean up day for April 25th from 8 - Noon. Wallace asked if an officer could be present to help with checking ID's to make sure they are a Pleasantville resident. Mrstik informed the council that he helped last year and will plan to be there this year. Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Wallace to approve city wide clean up date for April 25th from 8 – Noon. All voting in favor motion carried.

Van Ness explained to the council that in the partial funding for the fireworks has come from the firecracker 5k. He explained the 5k won't take place until July this year and the fireworks must be ordered soon to receive the discount. The cost for the fireworks will be between \$14,000-\$15,000. In the past the city has contributed \$6500 per year and last year the city paid around \$800 extra due to the increased cost. The Chamber also contributed last year to help cover the cost. Council Member Allen asked if the Fire Department could try to get donations. Van Ness said they have talked about putting boots at local businesses to get donations. The money that is raised from the 5K this year will go into a fireworks fund to help cover the cost, but the department will need the money up front to purchase the fireworks. Motion by Allen, seconded by Patterson to approve up to \$15,000 for fireworks to come from the Local Option Sales Tax fund. All voting in favor motion carried.

Old Business

Stoermer informed the council that there is a conference call meeting scheduled for Wednesday for the WWTP. Breazeale informed the council that some of the valves they had been waiting on have been installed and they plan to be here Friday to do some electrical work.

Stoermer informed the council that construction on the Jasper Street project started last week. The contractors are waiting in Windstream to move their poles out of the right-of-way to continue replacing the water main. They discussed possible having Attorney, John Judisch, send a letter since the poles are in the right-of-way.

Motion by Wallace, seconded by Allen to adjourn the meeting. All voting in favor motion carried.

Mayor Steve Marsh

Attest: Rachel Reed, City Clerk