

## Ely City Council Proceedings

The City Council Meeting met in regular session on January 4, 2021, online over ZOOM Platform and Facebook, as allowed by Section 21.8 of Iowa Code, due to the Covid-19 Health Crisis and Ely City Hall is closed by order of the Mayor for the purpose of the Council Meeting. Officials present on ZOOM were Mayor Eldy Miller, by roll call Council Members Ben Symonds, Judy Wery, Dan Whitaker, Kay Hale and William Tuthill. Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm by roll call / Pledge of Allegiance.

Request to add item added to Consent Agenda, Odies Alcohol License as item B.3. Motion made by Symonds and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Whitaker. All Syes-5 motion carried.

**Agenda** Motion made by Whitaker to approve agenda, 2nd by Hale. By roll call Symonds, Hale, Whitaker, Wery Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

**Consent Agenda** Minutes from December 21st, 2020 Meeting and Bills Payables. Motion made by Wery to approve agenda, 2nd by Tuthill. By roll call Symonds, Hale, Whitaker, Wery Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

The following claims include expenses for the City, Park Board and Library:

A & H ELECTRIC INC, City Hall Maintenance	622.25
ABC DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, Compost Disposal	566.20
ADVANTAGE ACH, FSA	133.35
ALTORFER RENTS, WWTP Generator Repair	474.22
CARDMEMBER SERVICE, Credit Card Charges	-132.51
CASEY'S BUSINESS MASTERCARD, Fuel Trucks	349.69
CHAMPION SALT LLC, Road Salt	3,785.05
CLEPPE'S, LP for Blow Torch	20.00
COLONIAL LIFE INSURANCE, Accident Ins	48.87
CUSTOM HOSE SUPPLIES INC, Vehicle Maint & Supplies	21.98
DELTA DENTAL, Pre-tax	265.27
EFTPS, Fed/Fica Tax	5,061.06
FRONTLINE WARNING SYSTEMS, Repairs Warning Siren	231.15
GAZETTE COMMUNICATIONS, INC, Legal Publications	138.29
THE HARTFORD GROUP BENEFITS, STD Short Term	417.36
IOWA EXPRESS DELIVERY, Sewer Sample Delivery	120.00
IPERS	10,081.85
LYNCH DALLAS, P.C.,	3,552.50
MENARDS, PW Supplies Vehicle Repairs	26.81
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, Radio Read Meters	3,375.00
OFFICE EXPRESS, Office Supplies	131.87
POMP'S TIRE SERVICE INC, Road Service Flat Tire	174.50
US POSTMASTER, Postage	206.85
ROTO-ROOTER, Sewer Main Walker & State St	280.00
RUZICKA'S MEAT PROCESSING INC, Christmas Meal	240.00
STATE WITHHOLDING, State Taxes	5,649.00
TRACTOR SUPPLY CO, Supplies	195.77
UNITED HEALTH, Med Ins	5,457.70
VISION SERVICE PLAN, VSP Ins	91.10
Accounts Payable Total	41,585.18

GENERAL \$20,021.32; ROAD USE TAX \$6,453.75; WATER \$6,740.20; SEWER \$8,369.91

**Department Reports** City Administrator Thompson presented Sheriff's report. First major snowfall and PW Staff did a great job clearing the streets in a timely manner. Thompson requested that the January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting be an in-person meeting as. Next meeting be held in the Community Center Dining Hall so council can spread out. Meeting will still be held on Zoom platform and Facebook Live for the community.

**Community Comments/Request-None**

**Business Open Public Hearing** for first reading, regarding update to **Water Ordinance No. 288**. No comments or questions. Motion to close public hearing by Hale, 2nd by Symonds. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

**Open Public Hearing** for first reading, regarding update to **Sewer Ordinance No. 289**. No comments or questions Motion to close public hearing by Hales, 2nd by Symonds. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

**Public Hearing** for first reading, regarding update to **Water Ordinance No. 288**. Motion by Wery, 2nd by Whitaker. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

**Public Hearing** for first reading, regarding update to **Sewer Ordinance No. 289**. Motion by Whitaker, 2nd by Wery. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

First reading of **Ordinance No. 290 Amending Chapter 136.03** "Removal of snow" Discussion of clarification of fees and procedures for both businesses and residential. Motion by Symonds, 2nd by Whitaker. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

**One-time Utility Credit for Auto Bill Pay Registration and Utility Account Information Update**. Three level, Information Update; E-billing Sign up and Auto Bill Pay Sign Up. Motion to approve by Symonds, 2nd by Tuthill. By roll call Wery, Hale, Symonds, Whitaker and Tuthill. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

Request and discussion to approve specifications for the **Purchase of a Used Skid Steer**. Council already approved in July up to \$80,000 but intent is to purchase used from a dealer not a private owner. Motion by Tuthill, 2nd by Whitaker. All Ayes-5 motion carried.

Discussion of Personal Water Lines process and procedure when resident waterline break. Thompson researched other cities and most comparable cities ordinances are the same as Ely. Homeowner responsible from water main to house. Provide homeowner contractor and installer of home in question. With no further business being evident, council adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm. Motion by Hale, 2nd by Whitaker. 5-Ayes motion passed.