

The Clear Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 8, 2021, at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Gary Eide presiding. Those present were Alderwoman Kelli Bauman, Rose Mack, Lisa Lundberg, Aldermen Carey Holt, Harry Mewherter, and John Keimig. Also present were Christa Bittner, Don Ebbers, Brandon Collins, Todd Boyd, Ken Reiste, Andrew & Tina Braam, Nancy Barondeau, Marlin Bjerke, Craig Evenson, Jason & Rebecca Toben, Laney Toben, and Lynn Simon. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Holt to approve the agenda. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mack, seconded by Lundberg to approve the consent agenda as follows: Minutes – Regular Meeting January 11, 2021; Monthly Financial Statements for the Month Ending January 31, 2021; Sales Tax Subsidy of \$17,193.24 going to Deuel County Memorial Hospital; Building Permits: Approved: Roberta Giesel – fence, Bard Tronvold – temporary storage container, The Beauty Barn – new business sign, and Cathy Willemssen – replaced deck; Delinquent Water Bills; Approval of Warrants; Approve Temporary Liquor License Applications: Pederberg’s: Country Twisters Quarter Auction, Saturday, March 20, 2021; Special Meeting – Local Review Board (Equalization) – Monday, March 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM; 2021 District 1 Zoom Call Meeting – Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 5:30 PM. Temporary One-Day Permits are subject to all paperwork being signed and submitted to the Finance Officer and that the applicants provide the city with proof of liability insurance for the event. Upon roll-call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Warrants Approved PAYROLL: Council 1090; Mayor 450; Finance 3862.50; Gen Gov’t Bldg. 173.75; Highway 5264.31; Snow 3257.44; Rubble Site 521.57; Parks 1904.41; Library 2402.82; Community Center 20.85; Water 3977.39; Sewer 3350.45; Aflac 140.01; Supplemental Ins; Supplemental Retirement 1625.00; Washington National 81.15 Cancer Ins; SD Retirement 2875.94; Health Pool of SD 8522.89; Delta Dental of SD 416.20; DNB-FICA/WH 5133.58; EXPENSES: AT&T 54.21 Cell phone, Certified Labs 657.50 street supplies, DC Motor Supply 254.25 Snow, sewer & street supplies, DGA 294.80 Disc Golf numbers, Hillyard 919.72 CC & govt bldg. supp, Innovative Office Solutions 115.00 checks, L. Mills Water Mtr Dep Refund, Menards 260.36 street supplies, Milbank Winwater Works 69.86 water supp, Northwestern Energy 722.64 nat. gas, One Office Solution 187.36 copier paper, SD Dept. of Health 30.00 water samples, R. Giesel 1360.77 Fence reimbursement, RBK Enterprises Inc 100.00 Water Mtr Dep Refund, Ron’s Saw Shop 158.96 Street & park supp, Runnings Farm & Fleet 357.92 street & snow supp, SD One Call 38.08 one call notifications, Steve Rhody Services 38.00 window washing, Appera 107.03 towels/mops, Bjerke Sanitation 4888.77 Jan garbage, Bobcat of Brookings 9922.84 Bobcat & snow supp., Boyd Law Firm 1134.00 Jan legal fees, BDRWS 7361.70 Jan water, CL City Library 790.93 Jan. reimbursement, City of CL 283.50 Jan water, CL Building Center 72.10 water/street supp, CL Courier 338.31 Jan publications, Connecting Point 35.00 offsite backup, DC Auditor 5415.15 Feb Police Contract, DCFU Oil 1779.32 street/snow supp, DCMH 17193.24 Jan sales tax subsidy, SD DENR 20.00 water dist. exam fees, First Bank & Trust 91.45 FO/Comm. Center supp, First District Association 1604.63 2021 Municipal dues, HD Electric Coop. 159.43 Jan electric, ICAP 200.00 transit, ITC 467.61 Jan. phone/internet, Maynard’s Food 10.99 street supp, MidAmerica Books 239.40 library books, Ottertail Power Co 3763.56 Jan power, Purchase power 62.78 postage, Readers Digest 13.00 Mag subscription, Reminisce 38.96 Magazine subscriptions, SD State Treasurer (SD DOR) 331.55 Jan. sales tax, Taste of Home 15.95 magazine subscription, Uline 230.84 labels, USDA 6107.00 Feb sewer loan payment.

Marlin Bjerke was present for public voice and gave the council an update on Salona Global, that will be tentatively closing on March 2nd.

Motion by Keimig, seconded by Holt to recess as Regular Council and convene as the Planning Commission. All voted yes. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held for Maynard's, who applied to rezone property as CB Central Business Overlay District. Motion by Keimig, seconded by Holt to approve the rezone. Upon roll-call vote; all voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Mewherter to adjourn as the Planning Commission and reconvene as Regular Council. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Lynn Simon requested the youth organization rate for the Community Center for the youth gymnastics fundraiser on March 20, 2021. Motion by Holt, seconded by Mack to approve charging \$75 for the event's rental fee. Upon roll-call, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Laney Toben was present to ask the council to reconsider the no chicken ordinance. The council tabled this for the March meeting to get more information from other city ordinances.

Andy Braam was present to discuss reconsidering closing the Clear Lake airport and thanked the council members for their public service. No action was taken.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 596, an Ordinance creating restrictions on marijuana sales in city limits, was completed.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 597, an Ordinance amending the sewer penalties, was completed. Changes were recommended on the wording.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 598, an Ordinance rezoning Maynard's Lot, and amending the official zoning map, was completed.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 599, an Ordinance amending R-2L Lake lot parking, and amending the official zoning map, was completed.

Motion by Lundberg, seconded by Mack to approve mayor, Gary Eide, to sign Resolution 2021-2 for the LIIP Grant for natural gas line. Upon roll call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Mewherter to declare as surplus the 2020 model S595 T4 Bobcat skid steer loader with bucket to be traded in for a 2021 S66 Bobcat with bucket. Other items declared surplus property, having no value or a value less than \$500 and authorize disposal of include: 220 electric heater, drinking fountain, 3 Ipro water meters, 3 SR2 water meters, 6 7' cutting edges, 4 sets of woods mower blades, and 10 metal folding chairs. Upon roll-call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

The Clear Lake cell phone policy was discussed and no changes were made to it.

Finance Officer, Bittner, discussed the availability of ACH payments for utility bills. This is available for any bank, located anywhere and can be used for direct deposit for payroll as well. Motion by Keimig, seconded by Holt to approve ACH payments, with no fees to the residents. Upon roll call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lundberg, seconded by Mack to authorize the Automatic Supplemental Budget Request to General Fund for \$5,701.28 – Cares Act Reimbursement into Police Contract (101-421-429). Upon roll call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Holt to allow Don to get bids for the 200 block of 7th Avenue to replace water lines and the street. Upon roll call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

Employee evaluations were discussed and will be scheduled for review in March with the Personnel Committee.

Motion by Mack, seconded by Mewherter to hire Joel Johnson, d/b/a Code Enforcement Specialists, LLC to continue SDML's enforcement work. Upon roll call vote, all voted yes. Motion carried.

City Superintendent, Don Ebbers, informed the council of a two day pool course offered through MC & R Pools and gave an update on the pool boiler.

City Attorney, Todd Boyd, said he was still waiting for a response pertaining to a resident's bill.

City Finance Officer, Christa Bittner, stated HB 1143 will be reviewed and asked for support. She also mentioned BDRWS had a 16.5% water loss in 2020, compared to the Clear Lake's loss at 25.55%.

Council members discussed the airport, main street building tear down and Covid-19 vaccines.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Holt to enter into Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2 for Personnel Matters & Legal Counsel for contractual matters at 7:54 PM. All voted yes. Motion carried. Mayor Gary Eide declared the Council out of Executive Session at 8:56 PM.

There being no further business, motion by Keimig, seconded by Bauman to adjourn at 8:56 PM. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Christa Bittner
Finance Officer

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