

The Clear Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Lisa Lundberg presiding. Those present were Alderwomen Ramona Drake and Amy Bjerke, Aldermen Harry Mewherter, Jonas Reppe, Rod Pauli and Jamie Hintz. Also present were Mary Krueger, Todd Boyd, and Brandon Collins. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and then called to order by Mayor Lundberg.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Pauli, to approve the agenda as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Hintz to approve the consent agenda as follows: Minutes – Regular Meeting August 12, 2024; Monthly Financial Statements for the Month Ending August 31, 2024; Building Permits: Approved: Jeff Bohlmann – 707 9th Ave S – Deck, Robert Jensen – 313 9th Ave S – Replace Concrete Driveway, Kim Thomas – 307 4th Ave S – Replace Sidewalk, Rusty Carlson – 807 Golf View Dr – 5'x10' Deck, Joan Kreuz – 107 4th Ave S – Handicap Ramp. Spiking Permit: Approved: Alexis Twait – Wedding – September 13, 2024. Delinquent Water Bills. Approval of Warrants. Temporary Liquor License Applications: October 26, 2024 – Wedding – Lundy's Bar & Grill. Approve travel and registration for Mary Krueger to attend Grant Writing Course in Brookings on October 16, 2024. Temporary one-day permits and spiking 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. Approvals of building permits are subject to the condition that they are in accordance with all building codes and ordinances of the City. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Warrants Approved: PAYROLL: Council 11720.00; Mayor 370.00; Finance 4818.75; Gen Gov't Building 396.00; Streets 13985.78; Rubble Site 880.31; West Nile 357.12; Summer Rec 2546.95; Swimming Pool 11,316.88; Parks 2419.65; Library 4139.79; Community Center 264.00; Water 3778.01; Sewer 3348.41; Aflac 114.79; SD Retirement 3526.58; Optilegra 70.76; Health Pool of SD 8638.61; Delta Dental of SD 423.60; Sioux Valley FCU 50.00; Dnb-Fica/Wh 10,368.17. EXPENSES: A&B Business Solutions 150.49 Copier Contract, Darlene Abraham 400.00 Comm Center Deposit Refund, Stacy Andersen 271.44 2nd Half Reimb Lifeguard For 2, Rod Anderson 400.00 Comm Center Deposit Refund, Appeara 130.43 Janitorial Maintenance, City Of Arlington 100.00 Registration Fees, Bjerke Sanitation 7340.49 Sanitation Services, Boyd Law Firm, Prof. L.L.C. 1125.00 Legal Fees, Brookings-Deuel Rws 11803.40 Water Tap Fees And Purchase, City Of Clear Lake 683.30 City Utilities, Clear Lake Building Center 151.68 Supplies, Clear Lake Courier 151.52 Publications, Clear Lake Fire Dept 20000.00 Fire Dept Funding Support, Clear Lake Historical Society 2500.00 Museum Funding Support, Cole Paper Inc. 288.25 Janitorial Supplies, Connecting Point 577.36 Monthly Backup, Core & Main 246.36 Meter Programming, Deuel Co Motor Supply 10.00 Meter Deposit Refund, Deuel County Sheriff 6172.00 Law Enforcement Contract, Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 4799.18 Fuel And Supplies, Dcn Insurance 50.00 Notary Seal And Bond Renewal, Duininck, Inc. 24545.59 Asphalt, First Bank & Trust 47.98 Credit Card Purchases, Fritz Chevy-Olds 96.75 Repairs, Gracyn Gohring 159.30 First Half Reimbursement Wsi, Michelle Gross 20.00 Park Shelter Deposit Refund, H-D Electric Coop, Inc 394.04 Electric Energy, H-D Elec Coop, Inc. 270.00 Light Repair, Jaycee Hourigan 150.00 Recertification Reimbursement, Itc Telecom 761.85 Telephone And Internet, Kendra Kirby 146.03 First Half Reimb Lifeguard, Richard Kreger 146.44 2nd Half Reimb Wsi, Sara Kreger 150.00 Recertification Reimbursement, Maynard's

Food 163.48 Supplies And Pool Concessions, Milbank Winwater Works 826.02 Water Supplies, Northwestern Energy 191.46 Natural Gas Energy, Nosbush Plumbing & Heating 422.02 Ac Repairs, Office Peeps 79.81 Supplies, Ottertail Power Co 3946.45 Electric Energy, Amber Peterreins 146.03 First Half Reimb Lifeguard, Pheasantland Industries 17.09 Shipping Charges Due, Pitney Bowes Bank Inc 787.50 Postage, Sd Department Of Health 30.00 Water Testing, Brenda Schake 95.56 Reimbursement Softball Supplies, Karen Schuelke 20.00 Park Shelter Deposit Refund, Sd Department Of Public Safety 70.00 Boiler Inspection, Sd Public Utilities Commission 400.00 Com Center Deposit Refund, Sd State Treasurer (Sd Dor) 886.00 Sales Tax Due To State, Steve Rhody Services 50.00 Window Washing Services, Team Laboratory Chemical, Llc 1190.50 Supplies, Addison Timmons 159.30 First Half Reimbursement Wsi, Shyla Tvedt 146.03 First Half Reimb Lifeguard, Us Bank Trust-Spa Lkbox Cm9695 6837.30 Water Srf Loan, United States Dept Of Ag 6107.00 Sewer Usda Loan.

There was no one present for public voice.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 640, 2025 Appropriations Ordinance was held.

Motion by Hintz, seconded by Drake to approve Ordinance No. 640 for adoption. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried. Publication of Ordinance No. 640 will be September 18, 2024.

Discussion was held on Resolution 2024-14 IM-28 Opposition.

Motion by Mewherter, seconded by Hintz to approve and publish Resolution 2024-14 IM-28 Opposition. Upon roll call vote, Bjerke-yes, Drake-yes, Hintz-yes, Mewherter-yes, Pauli-yes, Reppe-no. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on previously approved Resolutions 2024-8, 2024-9, 2024-10, and 2024-11 regarding the SRF funding and surcharges to begin for each water and sewer account. After much research and review, the Council decided a sewer surcharge of \$29.65 will begin April 2025 billing and a water surcharge of \$30.60 will begin October 2025 billing month. The rates and usage rates will be lowered to accommodate affordability for each resident. Finalization of the rates will be addressed through the Services Committee at the end of 2024. Council will proceed with publication of the resolutions in their entirety as required for loan closing to begin.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to approve the surcharge effective dates of April 1, 2025, \$29.65 for Sewer and October 1, 2025, \$30.60 for water. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Sarah Salzer of CLAD was unable to attend the meeting. She gave information to Finance Officer Krueger in regards to an empty lot that is for sale near Deuel Manor Apartments. The lot is not buildable and Salzer thought it would be a good spot for a dog park or some other development that could be funded with a grant. Discussion was held on the process of purchasing the lot if the City has any interest. Due to a CFD being involved, Council tabled the issue for more information.

In other business, The first reading of Ordinance No. 641, Amending Ordinance 7-2-3 Regarding One-Way Streets and Alleys was held.

The reading of Resolution 2024-15 was held.

Motion by Reppe, seconded by Pauli to approve Resolution 2024-15 with a typo correction. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Hintz to approve fireworks to be held at the annual Homecoming Football game at the practice field of the Football Complex on Friday, September 27, 2024. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Hintz to approve the 2023 financial audit from Eide Bailly. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The NSF Check Policy was reviewed.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Mewherter to approve adding to the policy the following: Upon exceeding 3 offenses, no checks, ACH payments or debit card payments will be accepted permanently. Payment must be made in cash, cashier's check, money order or credit card. The policy will be amended in wording of the 1st and 2nd offenses for Council to review. This policy will begin with offenses beginning September 1, 2024. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Bjerke to approve the 5 year contract for a new postage machine and service with Pitney Bowes at a monthly cost of \$62.18. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to accept the quote from Dakota Clean of Clear Lake for services in the Municipal building at a cost of \$800. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

A 2024 Swimming Pool Season recap was presented by Finance Officer Krueger on behalf of Pool Manager Billie Giesel who could not attend the meeting. There were 14 lifeguards and 4 pool attendants that kept the pool fully staffed with the only closures due to weather. One individual participated in Guard Start. There were approximately 113 kids signed up for swimming lessons that went well. The baby pool which was closed for the season due to non-compliance issues, had a negative impact on younger swimmers attendance. The report contained information on other swim parties, pool issues and supplies.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Hintz to declare the following as surplus property, having no value or value less than \$2500 and authorize disposal or donation of the same: Library: Large recliner, non-working large printer, 1 small round table, 1 large round table, quantity (7) tiny chairs, quantity (6) short chairs, quantity (5) tall chairs – all chairs plastic, 1 computer chair, quantity (2) three-shelf shelving. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on various nuisance residences in the city. Some photos were presented. Many suggestions were given including Council receiving copies of complaint letters, possibly finding a code enforcer, and amending the ordinance for stiffer penalties such as forced clean up. Finance Officer Krueger will look into suggested solutions.

There were no committee reports this meeting.

Superintendent Collins reported on several topics related to his department. The watermain project is complete. The lift stations have completed inspections. There has been some trouble with the Golf Course Lift Station which will have necessary costs. The SCADA system is near complete which will alert City workers of problems with the lift stations immediately. Collins also would like to see the purchase of a FOG rod to replace the floats of the lift stations which is much more efficient and effective.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Hintz to approve the purchase of a FOG rod from DPC for an approximate amount of \$3500.00. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

City Attorney Todd Boyd had very few comments.

Finance Officer Krueger presented to Council another incident with a resident harassing a City worker.

Alderman Hintz asked about any expiring CRP contracts. Finance Officer Krueger will report back. No other Council members or the Mayor had comments.

There being no further business, motion by Bjerke, seconded by Drake to adjourn at 7:29 PM. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary Krueger
Finance Officer

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