

The Clear Lake City Council met in special session on Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Lisa Lundberg presiding. Those present were Alderwomen Amy Bjerke and Mona Drake, Aldermen Jonas Reppe, Rod Pauli, and Matt Stormo. Absent was Alderman Jamie Hintz. Also present were Finance Officer Mary Krueger, Elliott Furman, and Deb Adkins. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and was called to order by Mayor Lisa Lundberg.

Mayor Lundberg asked for disclosure of conflicts with the presented agenda. There were no conflicts of interest.

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

There was no one present for public voice.

In unfinished business for 2025, the second reading of Ordinance No. 655 An Ordinance Regarding Water Rates was held.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Stormo to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 655 An Ordinance Regarding Water Rates. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 656 An Ordinance Supplementing Appropriations for the City of Clear Lake for year ending 12/31/2025 was held.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 656 An Ordinance Supplementing Appropriations for the City of Clear Lake for year ending 12/31/2025. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Deb Adkins of Clear Lake Area Development (CLAD) met with Council. CLAD and the Fire Department are hosting an event and dance at the Clear Lake Community Center Saturday Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026 and will collect the proceeds as support for both groups. Adkins asked the Council if they would like to be a sponsor for the event. There are three levels of sponsorship, and the sponsors will be listed publicly.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Reppe to approve The City of Clear Lake to sponsor CLAD/Fire Department at their January 10, 2026 dance for \$250.00. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

In other business, motion by Bjerke, seconded by Drake to approve the following end of year warrants: EXPENSES: A&B Business Solutions 232.03 Copier Contract, American Engineering Testing 1759.00 Chemical Testing, Certified Laboratories 709.95 Supplies, City Of Clear Lake 5.00 Meter Deposit Refund, Cole Paper Inc. 328.88 Custodian Supplies, Deuel County Treasurer 35.70 Title Transfer And Plates, Deuel Area Baseball 5000.00 Reimbursement Per Budget, Ryan Effling 150.00 Meter Deposit Refund, Industrial Chem Labs & Service 289.42 Supplies, Val Lundquist 56.35 Mileage Reimbursement, Menards 262.25 Snow Supplies, Milbank Winwater Works 7943.28 Sewer And Water Repairs, Nosbush Plumbing & Heating 217.35 Shop Plumbing Repairs, Office Peeps 83.73 Office Supplies, Pitney Bowes Bank Inc 857.28 Postage, Sd Department Of Health 100.00 Water Testing, Richard Rall 195.00 Meter Deposit Refund, Runnings Farm And Fleet 54.98 Supplies, Sanitation Products Inc. 58.41 Misc Supplies, Sd Public Assurance Alliance 53.09 Added Vehicle Insurance, Steve Rhody Services 50.00 Window Washing Services, Star Laundry 99.38 Janitorial Services, Gary Stava 75.00 Muni Room Deposit Refund, Transource Truck & Equip, Inc. 218.46 Supplies, Two Trees Technologies 1582.99 Finance Office Laptop, Wiesner Construction Inc. 225.00 Jackhammer Rent. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Bjerke to approve the temporary liquor license application for January 10, 2026 for the CLAD/Fire Department Dance for Lundy's Bar & Grill. Approval of permit is subject to all paperwork being signed and submitted to the Finance Officer and the applicant has provided the city with proof of liability insurance for the event. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Reppe, seconded by Bjerke to declare the following surplus property: 1979 International S1724 VIN: AA172JHB18717 Jetter Truck for sale by resolution to Government Entity pursuant to SDCL 6-5-5; Community Center old Christmas tree having no value or less than \$2500 and authorize disposal of the same. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

City Finance Officer Krueger gave a recap of the building permits for 2025. The City gave out a total of 44 building permits including 2 new houses and one rebuild. The building permit fees received were \$4341.55. All residential projects totaled over \$1.5M in value. There were 3 commercial business permits, 8 demo permits, 6 moving permits, 4 variances, and 1 conditional use. The total value for all projects totaled \$2,888,855.00.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to accept the 2025 Building Permits report. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

City Finance Officer Krueger reported to Council the first regular Council meeting in 2026 is January 12, 2026. This is also a court date at the Deuel County Courthouse. The Finance Officer is expecting to appear in court on behalf of the City that day and does not have a timeline for the day. Meeting preparations may not be complete. She asked if Council would be willing to reschedule the January, 2026 Council meeting.

Motion by Stormo, seconded by Reppe to reschedule the next regular City Council meeting to Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 6:00pm. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Works Superintendent Elliott Furman had many comments regarding water meters. He reported on a leak at a residence that requires the City to dig up and replace the broken curb stop. The owner may want the service capped but Council said that would have to be at the owner's expense. Furman further reported a business wanting a large specialty meter that is more expensive than standard ones. Because the City requires the meter to be compliant with our current system, the City would likely supply the meter.

Furman also reported there is a residential area where the fire hydrant is not working. The hydrant is located on residential property on a driveway.

Finance Officer Krueger prepared the Council for Committee meetings in January. Potential February meetings were also discussed.

Krueger notified the Council of a garbage rate increase she received that will take effect February, 2026. This will be discussed at the January meeting.

Mayor Lundberg commented on cardboard recycling options. This is a fluid subject as alternatives are few.

Alderwoman Bjerke and Alderman Stormo both had received complaints about snow/slush removal before it froze solid.

There were no other comments from any other Council members.

There being no further business, motion by Pauli, seconded by Bjerke to adjourn at 6:15 PM. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary Krueger

Finance Officer

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