

The Linn Grove Regular City Council meeting was held at the Linn Grove Community Center on March 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order.

Members present: Jessen, Johnson, Smith, Withers, Baxter

Members absent:

In Attendance: Denny Graesing, Kevin Weier, Jen Smith, Lynn Withers, Angela Crewther, Gary Brown

Moved by Baxter to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Smith, All ayes. Motion carried. Moved by Baxter to approve previous meeting minutes as read from February 13, with corrections Seconded by Withers. All ayes. Motion carried. Moved by Smith to approve clerk/treasurer's reports and all bills as presented. Seconded by Withers, All ayes. Motion carried. Moved by Baxter at 7:11 p.m. to close the regular City Council Meeting for Public Hearing for the City of Linn Grove FY 2020-2021 Budget, 2nd by Jessen. All in favor aye. Upon hearing little discussion Mayor Anderson closed the Public Hearing at 7:16. A motion by Withers to re-open the regular City Council Meeting, 2nd by Baxter. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Aaron Anderson	snowplow & Mayor wages	323.22
Barbara Sennert	water wages	688.48
John C Nelson	sidewalk cleaning	46.17
Lolita M Weier	Library wages	142.00
Neil D. Krummen	water wages	638.44
Patria J Jenson	Library wages	327.23
Ronda Ellis	Comm Ct cleaning	77.45
Monte J Fassler	reader meter wages	43.02
Aflac	Neil Krummen 41.21 employee paid	41.21
Alliant Energy	7 accounts	1,313.42
First Cooperative Association	rock salt for sidewalks	8.15
Grow's Garbage Service LLC	garbage pickup for month of march 2020	1,000.00
Hemphill Law Office	various legal services	109.10
ILRW	water north of river	654.00
Kari Medsker	reg website posting Jan,feb, March \$75.00, Upload additional things \$25.00	100.00
Menards	green treated lumber to fix rail at watertower	65.87
Mike's Electronics, Inc.	labor and transmitter water tower	419.16
Schoon Construction & Excavation LLC	water main replacement from flood 3/19	28,822.04
Sioux Lumber	water dept	13.37
Staples Credit Plan	City Hall computer	784.96
Windstream	Clerk and Library phone	174.57
Aflac	adustment	0.00
Barbara Sennert	extra water hours worked	395.34
IPERS	withheld and city portion	423.90
United States Treasury	withheld and city portion	473.54
		<u>37,084.64</u>

Old Business – Update on Municipal Infraction. Motion by Jessen, for the City to take bids for the removal of the Municipal Infraction at 124 Weaver Street 2nd by Withers, all in favor aye. Motion carried. Update on bridge annex. Jessen and Withers will talk to County Engineer about Iowa code. South side of Water project Update. First part has been completed with extra 89 feet dug. 2nd part will happen this summer. NIMS training has been rescheduled to April 1 at Sheriff's Office, Council members will carpool over. FEMA update. Final sign offs have been made. Waiting for check.

New Business-Motion by Jessen to appoint Jud Graesing as the Public Safety Director, and Denny Graesing as the Building Inspector, 2nd by Johnson. All in favor. Motion carried. Barbara Sennert extra hours. Motion by Withers to pay Clerk \$14.70 for 31 ¼ hours above her 54 hours worked, 2nd by Smith. All in favor aye. Motion carried. Clerk will retire June 1, 2020. Angela Crewther Slagel Building. After much discussion, and reviewing the proposal of purchasing the Slagel building a motion by Johnson to hold Public Hearing at the next Council meeting April 9,2020 to see what the

public thinks about selling the Slagel building, 2nd by Baxter. All ayes. Motion carried. Re-establish the Park Board. Motion by Jessen to re-establish the Linn Grove Park Board, 2nd by Baxter. All ayes. Motion Carried. Baxter and Johnson volunteered to be the City Council members to sit on the Park Board. Free trees. DNR is offering up to 200 free seedling trees to communities as part of a grant from the U.S. Forest Service. Application one per community. Playground work day. Will pick a day when weather dries up. Rest of the parts will be ordered and have on hand when ready to finish park. Motion by Jessen to Suspend the 3 reading rule via Iowa Code 380.3 Seconded by Johnson Roll Call Vote = Johnson-aye, Jessen-aye, Smith-aye, Withers-aye, Baxter-aye Motion meets ¾ requirement Motion carried Motion by Jessen to approve **Ordinance 824** as read - An Ordinance amending Title II, Chapter 1, section 3.05(4) of the Linn Grove City Code concerning reconnection of disconnected water service from \$35 to \$100, 2nd by Johnson. Roll Call Vote= Baxter-aye, Withers-nay, Smith-aye, Jessen-aye, Johnson-aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 2020-4** Approving Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget. Motion by Baxter to accept FY 2020-2021 Budget 2nd by Jessen. Roll Call: Baxter-aye, Withers-aye, Smith-aye, Jessen-aye, Johnson-aye. Motion Carried. After much discussion about approving the plat of survey within Corporate limits of Linn Grove, Iowa purchased by Dennis Graesing from the City of Linn Grove on October 10, 1991 motion by Withers to have the City keep the alley, motion amended by Jessen to have the said alley surveyed, 2nd by Johnson. All in favor aye, all opposed 0. Motion carried. **Resolution 2020-5** Awarding contract to SCE Construction for Water Treatment Plant piping replacement for \$15,873.00. Motion by Jessen to accept Resolution 2020-5, 2nd by Baxter. Baxter-aye, Withers-aye, Smith-aye, Jessen-aye, Johnson-aye. Motion carried. Town signs discussed to be repaired this summer. Cattle north of the river. After discussion Motion by Withers to not issue a variance of City Ordinance (Title 3 Chapter 2 Article 8.01(18) – The prohibited keeping of livestock within City Limits) for the property in question north of the Little Sioux River 2nd by Jessen All ayes Motion carried. City Clerk hourly wage. Motion by Jessen to pay City Clerk \$15.00 a hour for 55 hours a month, if more than 55 hours needs approval of Mayor or Council, 2nd by Withers. All in favor aye. Motion carried. Water Superintendent hourly wage. Motion by Jessen to pay Water Superintendent \$15.00 a hour for 50 hours a month, over 50 needs approval of Mayor or Council, 2nd by Withers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Library Report- cleaning up old stuff and getting new rug and chairs. Because the city owns the furniture motion by Smith to list and sell unneeded furniture and have Library keep the money, 2nd by Withers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Park Report-

Maintenance Report-

Clerks Report-12 shut off letters sent, 2 shut off. Sherriff patrolled 33 hours. May 2 Clean up day. Will put Clean up item rates in next water bill.

Announcements – Open Forum- concern presented to Council of large number of cats in city, Council will discuss possible options of correction at next meeting. Gary Brown requested to cut down dead trees east of his residence and west of Tom Hare and Curt Sievers running parallel to concrete steps within the boundaries of City Alley. Motion by Withers to allow Brown to cut dead trees in said area and use wood, 2nd by Jessen. All ayes. Motion carried. Kevin Weier inquired about a building permit if he were to purchase and relocate the Lutheran Church’s old Parish house, he was informed to contact the Building Inspector with request before proceeding with plan Letter will be sent in connection with a dog being reported At Large to owner’s residence. Mayor Anderson attended the Water Management Authority meeting Feb. 3rd in Spencer discussing Little Sioux River watershed flood mitigation, water quantity issues, and water quality he presented information on the discussion of signing a 28E agreement with Upper Little Sioux Stakeholders involved in the future WMA established at a later date.

Adjourn: Moved by Jessen to adjourn. 2nd by Withers. Time 9:43 p.m.

_____ Mayor

Attest:

_____ City Clerk

City Clerk posted on 3/24/20 per Title 1 Chapter 4 Article 10.2(3) of the Linn Grove City and Code of Iowa Sec 372.13(6)