

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY June 04, 2019
CITY OF WEST LIBERTY, IOWA**

Mayor Robert Hartman called the regular council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following Council Members present Council Members Diane Beranek, Joey Iske, David Smith, Cara McFerren and Robert Rock. City Clerk/Finance Officer Lee Geertz, Water Superintendent George Pearl, Parks and Recreation Director Nick Heath and Police Chief Kinmonth was also present for meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

1. The consent agenda was approved by the City Council and consisted of the Regular City County meeting minutes April 16, 2019 and City Clerk/Treasurer Report for April 2019. 5-0 (Beranek/McFerren)

PAYMENTS/EXPENDITURES

1. City Council approved amended Vendor Voucher Claims in the Amount of \$256,786.56: 5-0 (Beranek/Rock)

PERMITS AND/OR LIQUOR LICENSES

- City Council approved Cigarette License for the following West Liberty Businesses: 5-0 (Beranek/Rock)
- Casey's Marketing Co./DBA/Casey's General Store #2890 (W 15th Street)
- Dollar General Store #6336
- Giri BP
- New York Dollar Store
- Thoma's Market/Jeff's Market

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE

1. Jose and Becky Vargas requested a hearing on a final utility bill at 105 ½ W 3rd Street. The Vargas provided information pertaining to the apartment and questioned the high consumption. Deputy City Clerk Esquivel provided a report to City Council with the details of the software error, but the meter had been working correctly. The City had recommended a split with the Jose and Becky Vargas due to a software error. City Council approved a split for the final water/sewer bill in the amount calculated of 9,000 gallons of consumption. 5-0 (Beranek/McFerren)
2. Nick Heath, Parks and Recreation Director provided an update to the Kimberly Park Playground Equipment Upgrade Project with correspondence from the Carver Trust granting the City \$25,000 towards the equipment. We have several applications submitted and we have some local business who have committed some more funds. Nick will plan on a report in July to City Council and Mayor Hartman with the amounts. Heath reported after a harsh winter we have a new leak at the City Pool. We will look to do extensive repair in the fall after the summer pool season. We will continue to monitor the leak.
3. Council Member Smith reported along with Mayor Hartman compliments by community members on the work with Clay Street. The compliments included the appreciation of the work being done in a timely manner and they look very nice.
4. Council Member Iske reported she was pleased to see how quickly the City Staff handled placing the speed limit signage on Maxson Ave to Dutton. Police Chief Kinmonth communicated there had been a successful campaign with traffic control and resulted in 12 speeding tickets on Maxson Ave.

CITY BOARDS/COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Council Member Rock reported the Ambulance Board had voted to appoint an interim EMS Director to allow more time for a review of the position and postings.
2. Council Member McFerren reported the Employee Committee held a meeting to discuss options for the Full Time Economic Development position. Council Member McFerren and Council Member Rock recommend an Employee Committee Meeting on Monday June 10, 2019 to discuss the Economic Director Position and Ambulance EMS Director Position, this will include the We Lead Board President and Ambulance Executive Board. Mayor Hartman agreed to the set the meeting for Monday June 10th at 6:00pm.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. City Engineer Update provided by Leo Foley of Veenstra and Kimm:
 - Request to approve 115 E Third Street Building Renovation Agreement presented. City Council approved: 5-0 (Beranek/Rock)
 - Draft for Maxson Ave Expansion was provided to City Council and Mayor to review. Foley communicated he would reach out to City Manager McNaul for further discussion of the project.
 - Foley reported he has continued to work diligently with the US EPA with regards to the infraction of storm sewer collection and he will set a meeting with City Manger McNaul to have a conference with the EPA to narrow down options for the EPA order. Options will need to include a detailed facility plan with future increased flow strength and design capacity to treat flow.
2. City Council approved June 18th at 6:30pm work session for the Employee Committee to provide recommendations for the Economic Development position and other items with employee discussion that apply.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40pm 5-0 (Beranek/McFerren)

ATTEST:

Lee Geertz, City Clerk/Finance Officer

Robert Hartman, Mayor