

Slater Regular City Council Meeting January 14, 2012

A regular meeting of the Slater City Council was called to order by Mayor Gary Halverson at 7:30 P.M. on January 14, 2012, at City Hall, 101 Story St., Slater, Iowa. The roll being called the following council members were present as follows: Tim Locker, Steve Ransom, John Kahler, and Gene Staples. Absent: Ken May.

It was moved by Locker and seconded by Kahler to approve the consent agenda, minutes from meeting on December 10, 2012, and bills totaling \$102,140.68 presented as follows:

ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	7,285.12
AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSN.	ANNUAL FEES	84.00
AMES ENVIRONMENTAL INC.	421 MAIN ASB TESTING	1,184.00
AMES HEATING & COOLING	HEATER REPAIR	213.96
ANDERSON IMPLEMENT	SKID SHOE & REPAIR	256.07
CASEY'S GENERAL STORE	FUEL	193.95
DARRELL ROUT	STUMP GRINDING	60.00
DATA TECHNOLOGIES	TAX FORMS	90.68
DITCH WITCH - IOWA, INC	HOSE ENDS	2,449.84
ECIVIS	ANNUAL FEE	1,000.00
ELECRTICAL ENGINEERING EQUI	GENERATOR REPAIR	162.60
FELD FIRE	PUMP	1,346.23
FOLLETT SOFTWARE COMPANY	LABLES	97.42
HAWKINS, INC	CHEMICALS	748.00
HEARTLAND COOPERATIVE	LP FOR GENERATOR	569.80
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	PHONES	406.88
IA MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICE	FY 13	40.00
IMPACT 7G INC	421 MAIN PHASE 1 TESTING	1,400.00
INGRAM	BOOKS	28.53
IOWA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	CARBIDE BLADES	570.90
IPERS	IPERS	3,051.11
KARL CHEVROLET	BRAKE REPAIR	2,013.98
KEYSTONE LABORATORIRES	TESTING	244.10
KING'S THRONE, LLC	RESTROOMS	270.00
MALLON EXCAVATING, L.L.C.	BEAVER DAMN REMOVAL	224.47
MARTIN OIL WHOLESALE	FUEL - DIESEL	1,584.35
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	METER GASKETS	3.00
NITE OWL PRINTING	PRINTING	237.50
PERKINS ELECTRIC	SCOREBOARD	287.92
POSTMASTER-SLATER	JAN UTILITY BILLS	180.48
	BOLTS, DRILL BITS, NUTS,	
QUICK'S HARDWARE HANK	COUPL	193.72
RITTER'S AUTO SERVICE	plugs, wires, serp belt, dist	2,704.69
SAFE BUILDING COMPLIANCE&TE	920 TRAIL	1,110.00
SERNETT, SUZY	ORNIMENTS	195.46
SLATER FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOC	BOONE ST	128.00
SNYDER & ASSOCIATES	XENIA CONNECTION	3,191.03
SOUTH STORY BANK AND TRUST	BAGS	1,886.12
MARY BETH SPROUSE	REIMB RECORDING	29.98
STORY COUNTY SHERIFF	3RD QRT ENFORCEMENT	18,426.38
THE TRIBUNE	MINUTES, FINANCIALS	380.26
TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET	CANDY & CRACKERS	34.93
TREAS., STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAXES	942.00
TREASURY	FED/FICA TAX	5,006.95
TRUE NORTH COMPANIES, LC	HEALTH INS	1,911.22
VAN-WALL EQUIPMENT	NEW TRACTOR	39,385.19
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONES	329.86

Expenses:

Motion was approved with a vote of 4 - 0.

Ballard superintendent, Ottie Maxey, briefed the council on the financial status of the Ballard School District. Most of their operating expense is in the form of salaries and benefits. Other expenses include utilities, building upkeep and supplies. The district will need to make changes to be able to continue to be financially secure.

The council reviewed the plans and specs for the Xenia connection. A motion was made by Staples to accept the plans and specs as presented. Ransom seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

A request for an Economic Development Loan was re-presented. The Loan Review Committee recommends denying this loan on the basis that it does not quality under the program objectives Staples moved to accept the committee's recommendation. Locker seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

The council discussed signage for the business district. Signs could become more specific as they get closer to the location and need to be integrated with the redesign of Main Street. No decision was made at this time.

The City has received a request to annex property located to the west of current city limits owned by Don Thornwall. The council discussed utilities near the area as well as the possibility of annexing properties adjacent to this one. Ransom moved to proceed with the annexation process for the requesting property only. Staples seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 4-1.

The council will hold a budget workshop for its February meeting starting at 6:00 PM on the 11th.

Locker moved to adjourn. Kahler seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:00.M.

Mary E Sprouse, City Clerk/Admin.

Gary Halverson, Mayor