

Slater Regular City Council Meeting February 10, 2014

A regular meeting of the Slater City Council was called to order by Mayor Gary Halverson at 7:00 P.M. on February 10, 2014, at City Hall, 101 Story St., Slater, Iowa. The roll being called the following council members were present as follows: Ken May, Ann Sobiech-Munson, Steve Ransom, John Kahler and Susan Erickson. Absent: none.

It was moved by May and seconded by Ransom to approve the consent agenda, minutes from meeting on January 13, 2014, and bills totaling \$ 67,653.29, presented as follows:

ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	10,643.61
BENNETT SANITATION	JAN & FEB TRASH	320.00
CASEY'S GENERAL STORE	FUEL	342.51
CENTRAL PUMP & MOTOR	PUMP MAINT. RAG REMOVAL	260.00
DKD CONSULTING	COMPUTER MAINT.	471.00
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING	BATTERIES, BELT CLIP	164.70
EMEDCO	LABLES/SIGNS	385.40
EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS	GLOVES	82.95
FICA	FED/FICA TAX	5,104.79
GALE CENGAGE LEARNING	LP BOOK	25.59
GORMAN ROOFING SERVICE	ROOF 421 MAIN	25,900.00
HACH COMPANY	TEST TUBES, BEAKERS, BULB	131.97
HALVERSON, GARY	BOS MEETING - COUNTY SHED	25.53
HAWKINS, INC	AZONE, SODIUM HYDRO	893.10
HORNBUCKLE, DARLA	VACUUM PARTS	42.38
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	PHONES	479.54
INTERSTATE BATTERY OF UPPER IA	BATTERY	40.00
IOWA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	TIRES	429.11
IPERS	IPERS	3,948.23
KELLER EXCAVATING	FINAL - XENIA CONNECTION	4,786.30
KEYSTONE LABORATORIRES	TESTING	336.10
MADRID AUTOMOTIVE	BELT	29.39
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	MAIN CLAMPS	532.50
PARTSMATER	SOCKET SETS, CUT OFF WHEELS	334.51
POSTMASTER-SLATER	UTILITY BILLS	193.80
PROSOURCE SPECIALTIES	SRP PRIZES	97.00
QUICK'S HARDWARE HANK	POLYURETHANE	204.52
SAFE BUILDING COMPLIANCE	CEDAR	75.00
SENSUS	SENSUS METER SUPPORT	1,732.50
SLATER FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOC	CALLS	120.00
SOUTH STORY BANK AND TRUST	TABLE PARTS, BOOKS, DVDS, POSTAGE	2,981.56
THE TRIBUNE	MINUTES	316.43
TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET	CLEANING SUPPLIES, BATTERIES	28.59
TREAS., STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	2,874.36
TRUE NORTH COMPANIES, LC	HEALTH INS	3,241.82
UNITED BENEFIT SOCIETY, INC	LIFE INS	31.25
UNITYPOINT CLINIC	SELF FUNDING INSURANCE	25.00
VAN-WALL EQUIPMENT	ANTENNA	22.25

Expenses:

Motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

The council reviewed the 28E agreement to provide 1st Responder service to the City of Sheldahl. Erickson moved to approve the agreement. Ransom seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0.

Ames Resource Recovery plant submitted its 28E agreement renewal for 10 years. The council considered several other options including Metro East landfill. Ames RR Plant will provide the city with a recycling container for glass and recycles or repurposes as much of the waste they accept as they can. May moved to approve the 28E agreement with Ames Resource Recovery. Ransom seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0.

Story County Board of Supervisors has reported that they are willing to give the City of Slater the old county shed property located across from City Hall on Main Street. The City will have to fulfill a

public purpose with the property before it could be sold. That purpose may be using the building, or fixing it up/tearing it down to remove blight from the Main Street district. Ransom moved that we should obtain the property from the County for the purpose of removing blight. Kahler seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0.

The City is still gathering information on possible water treatment options. The topic will be revisited at the next meeting.

Sobiech-Munson moved to approve the list of officers and board members terms as submitted. Ransom seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0.

Alliant energy presented cost estimates to place additional street lights north from the Heart of Iowa trail along R38 and west from the High Trestle Trail along Hwy 210. There is no cost, other than the monthly usage fees for lights that are placed on existing poles. Concern was expressed about the lack of light where the bike lane and the turn lane for 320th meet. Staff will contact the county about this concern. Grimm park's south parking lot is also dark. Kahler moved to place up to 3 LED lights on existing poles on R38, 3 LED lights on existing poles on 6th/Hwy 210 and 1 to light Grimm Park's south parking lot. Sobiech-Munson seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0. The council also discussed the trail lighting project that was proposed by Sheldahl. It would light the High Trestle Trail between Sheldahl and Slater. Alliant will be presenting a quote to place lights approximately 300 feet apart. Significant discussion was had including concerns for nearby residents and wildlife and the possibility of using solar or timed lights. More information will be gathered for the next meeting.

May moved to approve the liquor license renewal for the Nite Hawk Bar & Grill. Kahler seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0.

Don Sievers is retiring and the Slater Animal Hospital has been sold. The new owner asked that the city re-sign the contract to hold stray animals. May moved to sign the contract. Kahler seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0.

The council had a work session for the FY 15 budget. Mosquito spraying, pumper and brush trucks for the fire department, concession stand cabinets and countertops, cemetery driveway repair, park parking lot expansion and department funds were all discussed. All departments who had projects approved are expected to use any roll-over funds first toward their expenses. The council also considered several projects that were not included in the original budget numbers. Public works needs to replace a pick up. Funds will be available for this project between unexpended line items in the current budget and taking small amounts from several departments in the FY15 budget. First responders submitted a funding request to replace their vehicle with a 2014 Tahoe since the price is currently \$10,000 less than what it will be starting with the 2015 model year. A lengthy discussion was held. The council feels that a Tahoe or vehicle of that type is well suited for any and all response locations the department may get called to. It will have the ability to handle all seasons of weather and respond on the recreational trails. Kahler moved to fund up to \$15,000 toward a replacement vehicle of this type. Ransom seconded. Motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0. First responders will need to use all of their \$7,400 in roll-over toward this project as well as sell their current vehicle and do some fundraising to meet the total cost of the new vehicle. Public hearing for the budget will be at the regular meeting on March 10th.

Ransom moved to adjourn. Kahler seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Mary E Sprouse, City Clerk/Admin.

Gary Halverson, Mayor