

Slater City Council Meeting February 8, 2021

The meeting of the Slater City Council was called to order by Mayor John Kahler at 7:34P.M. on February 8, 2021, at Slater City Hall, 101 Story Street, Slater, Iowa AND via “ZOOM” Roll being called; Present at City Hall: Ken May, Joel Newman (arrived at 7:39pm), and Shawn Birdsall; the following Council members were present via “ZOOM” : Sue Erickson; Absent: Tina Howell. Also present at City Hall: Jennifer Davies – City Administrator / Clerk; and Mark Estrem – Public Works Director.

Motion by Birdsall, seconded by May, to approve the consent agenda. Items approved include agenda for February 8, 2021 meeting; minutes from the January 11, 2021 meeting; and claims paid totaling \$70,275.33. List below also includes \$3625.48 in payroll expenses.

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES 5231311000	\$ 10,079.71
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	BOOKS	\$ 717.39
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN PLUMBING	FURNACE @ WATER PLANT	\$ 2,498.00
BREKKE & MATHER	FIRE DEPT NORTH OVERHEAD DOOR	\$ 148.75
BSN SPORTS	BLEACHERS, PLAYGROUND GOAL	\$ 2,635.39
CASEY'S MASTERCARD	FUEL	\$ 103.12
CULLIGAN	WATER	\$ 35.35
CUSTOM STEEL SERVICE	STEEL TUBING FOR BATTING CAGE	\$ 723.31
ECONO SIGNS	STREET SIGNS-STORM DAMAGE	\$ 671.95
ELECTRIC WHOLESALE COMPANY	STORAGE ROOM LIGHT FIXTURES	\$ 664.97
FARMTEK	HOOP BUILDING/STORM DAMAGE	\$ 5,883.12
FICA	FED/FICA TAX	\$ 3,625.48
FINCO	STORM DAMAGE	\$ 23,200.00
CENGAGE LEARNING INC / GALE	LP BOOKS	\$ 27.19
GANNETT	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	\$ 194.02
GARBAGE GUYS	GARBAGE SERVICE	\$ 320.00
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 50.40
HAWKINS, INC	CHEMICALS	\$ 1,274.72
HEARTLAND COOPERATIVE	LP FILL	\$ 140.00
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS	PHONES, INTERNET	\$ 453.15
IA MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS	DUES/TRAINING	\$ 50.00
IOWA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	SIGN TUBING, BRACKET, FLAG	\$ 634.46
IOWA INSURANCE DIVISION	ANNUAL CEMETERY REPORT FEE	\$ 86.00
IOWA ONE CALL	IOWA ONE CALL	\$ 48.20
KABEL BUSINESS SERVICES	SELF FUNDING ADMIN	\$ 360.00
KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE	PAINT BRUSHES	\$ 68.60
KEYSTONE LABORATORIRES	TESTING	\$ 518.60
MADRID AUTOMOTIVE	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$ 4.69
MARTIN OIL WHOLESALE	FUEL	\$ 663.58
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	WATER METERS	\$ 2,078.24
PAR INDUSTRIES	SEPARATE CIRCUITS CONCESS/POOL	\$ 1,575.00
PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	\$ 115.36
POSTMASTER-SLATER	February utility	\$ 217.70
PRAIRIE STUMP SOLUTIONS	STUMP GRINDING	\$ 145.00
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC.	OXYGEN & ACETYLENE	\$ 178.01

SAFE BUILDING		
COMPLIANCE&TECH	BUILDING PERMITS	\$ 4,571.93
SERNETT, SUZY	ELF DOLL	\$ 13.60
SHERWIN WILLIAMS	PAINT FOR POOL/BATH HOUSE	\$ 223.31
SOUTH STORY BANK AND TRUST	BOOKS, POSTAGE, PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$ 3,522.57
STORY COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL	ANIMAL CONTROL	\$ 627.00
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	FAUCET, COOLER, BOTTLE FILLER	\$ 1,948.18
TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET	CRAFT SUPPLIES	\$ 4.56
UNITED BENEFIT SOCIETY, INC	INSURANCE	\$ 70.00
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	COPIER	\$ 122.16
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	\$ 207.92
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS & SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 2,400.12

Expenses above by category:

DECEMBER Revenues = \$ 121,702.47

GENERAL	4,264.04	22,087.54
ROADHOUSE	17,225.59	11,742.57
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	19,941.00	2,810.52
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	1,678.33	9,287.96
WATER	30,762.57	4,254.84
SEWER	43,073.76	49.44
STORM WATER	1,957.24	23,667.94
RESOURCE RECOVERY	2,799.94	

Motion approved with a vote of 4 – 0.

Nothing to report from Sheriff's office.

Council and Heartland Coop's representative Ron Groskreutz discussed at length the storage building Heartland Coop would like to reconstruct on their property. Motion was made by May, seconded by Birdsall, to allow the storage building to be built with the requirement that a written statement is provided by Heartland Coop that absolves the City of Slater of any and all liability. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Birdsall to waive the 2nd reading, hold the 3rd Reading, and adoption of Ordinance #284: Change in Zoning of what is to be known as Parcel "U." Roll call vote: Ayes: May, Birdsall, Erickson, and Newman. Nays: none.

Motion was made by Birdsall, seconded by Newman, to hold the 2nd reading of Ordinance #285: Limiting number of dogs to 5 and cats to 5 for each property within Slater City limits. Roll call vote: Ayes: Birdsall, Newman, Erickson, and May. Nays: none.

Mayor Kahler opened the Public Hearing for FY 2022 Maximum Property Tax Levy at 8:10pm. Davies reviewed what was published and reported that no written or verbal comments, questions, or oppositions have been received at City Hall. Slater's increase in total valuation is mostly attributed to the annexation of Syngenta and other new properties that have been added within our city limits. The FY22 budget currently being reviewed, but not yet certified, will actually reduce the amount of dollars collected for every \$1000.00 of valuation. If anyone has questions or concerns PLEASE feel free to stop by or call City Hall. Having no comments or questions from the public present, Mayor Kahler closed the public

hearing at 8:11pm. Motion was made by Erickson, seconded by Birdsall, to approve Resolution #14: Approving FY 2022 Maximum Property Tax Levy. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Council discussed and reviewed proposed budget for FY2022. It was noted that the increase in the Library budget is due to increase in staff. Motion was made by Newman, seconded by May, to approve Resolution #15 (2020-2021): Directing clerk to publish notice of hearing on the FY 2021/2022 Budget that is scheduled for next regularly scheduled Council Meeting on March 8, 2021. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by Birdsall, seconded by Erickson, to set a public hearing date for the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting on March 8, 2021 for approving Addendum #1 to Specs and plans for Water and Sewer Expansion project to Trailside Development. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Birdsall, to approve Resolution #16: Appointment of Jennifer Davies as representative to Central Iowa Regional Housing Authority. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by Erickson, seconded by Newman, to approve Resolution #17: Approval of City Boards & Officers, and City Attorney, noting the change of members to Planning & Zoning and the Library Boards. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Birdsall, to approve Resolution #18: Waive of Subdivision Review for 2.39 acres of land to be known as Parcel "U" and to be used for light industrial development. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion was made by May, seconded by Newman, to approve the Liquor License Renewal for Nite Hawk Bar & Grill. Motion approved with a vote of 3-0. Birdsall abstained.

Davies reminded council the Auditor Contract needs to be reviewed and renewed. A call for Request for Proposal (RFP) will be going out for the City's Annual Audit.

Motion was made by Newman, seconded by May, to approve Resolution #19: Approval of FY 2022 Contract with Story County Sheriff's Office, noting a 2.5% increase in fees. Motion approved with a vote of 4-0.

Estrem reported the Firemen's Dance is scheduled for June 5, 2021. Kahler also added that there was a meeting involving Slater Fire, Slater EMS, and himself to brainstorm ideas for potential future needs, if any.

The Library/Community Center committee will be meeting Thursday, February 11, 2021 to move forward with fund raising options.

Community Club/Library sponsored Easter Egg Hunt is planned for Saturday, March 27, 2021.

Motion by Birdsall, seconded by May to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 P.M.

John Kahler, Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer Davies, City Administrator / Clerk