

**MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 20, 2022 6:30 P.M.**

The MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL met in Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, July 20, 2022** at City Hall with Mayor Troester presiding. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance. Council members in attendance: Echard, Hallberg, Schneider, and Carroll. Wild was absent at roll call but joined the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

Carroll moved, seconded by Hallberg to approve the Consent Agenda a) Agenda as listed b) Regular Meeting minutes June 15, 2022 c) Bills and Claims as presented for period May 19, 2022 through June 15, 2022 - City- \$115,875.05, Library - \$471.52, June 2022 Revenues - \$127,684.78, June Expenses - \$104,103.03 d) Treasurer's Report for June 2022 e) Liquor License renewals – Nauti Shack, Pocket City Pub, Jade's River Queen Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Hearing of delegations: No comments heard.

A request to purchase city property was received from Signature Landings, LLC for the second street right of way adjacent to the residence located at 201 Point Ann Lane. They recently purchased the property and will be operating an Airbb and want to ensure they have parking for their lodging guests. Hallberg moved, seconded by Echard to approve moving ahead with the request and to authorize the city attorney to prepare the necessary documents. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Harold and Sharon Brooks were present to request the city replace the concrete retaining wall in front of his property located at 116 7th St. Carroll shared Sidwell maps showing the wall is on their property and not in the street right of way. Brooks felt the city had already set precedent with the C street project wall replacements. Echard moved, seconded by Carroll to close the street in front of the wall and order a survey to determine the street right of way, and not commit to any action because ownership and responsibility for the wall is in question. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Andrew Fettkether was present to answer questions regarding his request for a use permit on his property at 157 B Street to be able to install a bi-fold door on the shed. The bi-fold would extend into city property when open. Hallberg moved, seconded by Wild to authorize the city attorney to prepare documents for the temporary use permit with all legal costs to be paid by Fettkether. Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Council reviewed a photo of the fire station where Ryan Bacon had asked the city crew to remove the steps on the south side of the building while the city was using the jack hammer for the main street archaeology work. He was interested in parking a trailer there closer to the building. Council expressed concern that the steps may be contributing to the support of the building and that removal with a jack hammer would create an unsightly situation. No action taken until more information is received. Echard moved, seconded by Hallberg to approve the subrogation agreement with Nauti Boat Rentals, Northeast Iowa Marina, Nauti Storage and Nauti Marina for the CDBG-CV Microenterprise Grant. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Echard moved, seconded by Wild to authorize hiring a part time grounds maintenance person for 12-16 hours at \$14 with a 3% increase after 60 days. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Echard moved, seconded by Schneider to approve the contract renewal for solid waste services with Waste Management at a rate of \$17.00 per residential customer. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Hallberg moved, seconded by Echard to approve the contract with Midwest Assistance Program for GIS Consulting Services for one mobile worker license and one viewer license. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Hallberg moved, seconded by Schneider to approve Resolution 01-07-2022 Setting Time and Date for regular city council meetings to third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at city hall. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Time will be effective with the August 17, 2022 meeting. Carroll moved, seconded by Wild to approve Resolution 02-07-2022 Approving the 2022 Annual Debt Report. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Carroll moved, seconded by Wild to approve up to \$13,607.70 for replacement of a valve at the sewer plant. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Council reviewed a quote for redoing the brick streets around Triangle Park. This was a potential project for Great Places grant due in August. The art center is also contemplating a project for an outdoor event space behind the art center building. The estimate was for \$507,000 which included replacement of sewer main under A St. No action taken.

McManus provided council with a list of storm related damages that have been called in or noted by city crew. The small bridge on River Road requires rip rap and cement to hold the rip rap where an abutment has eroded. McGregor Heights needs gravel and grading. Both of these areas city crew will only assist with repairs as these are association properties. A property owner reported erosion on Tanglewood – this is owned by Bill Burke and is his responsibility to repair. Storm sewer channel has a log obstructing it behind the laundromat and dams and many culverts need to be cleared of debris. Crews will work on these areas and will be contracting to assist with cleaning the debris from culverts.

With business concluded, Echard moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Wild. Ayes – All. Meeting adjourned.

Lyle J. Troester
Mayor

Attest:

Lynette L. McManus
City Administrator