

**MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2020, 6:30 P.M.**

The MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL met in Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, August 19, 2020** at City Hall with Mayor Lyle Troester presiding. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance. Council members attending in person: Scott, Carroll, Halvorson, Echard, and Hallberg. Due to COVID 19 guidelines released by the CDC, and federal and state government the meeting was held electronically to help combat the spread of the virus. Social distancing was in place for those in attendance with public access limited to meet the prescribed guidelines. Public access was provided via Zoom. In attendance via Zoom were Chief Robert Millin, Mark Davy and Alex Jaromin, Ashley Kishman, and Alisha Mullarkey.

Scott moved, seconded by Halvorson to approve the Consent Agenda by one motion a) Agenda as listed b) Regular Meeting minutes July 15, 2020 c) Bills and Claims as presented for period July 16, 2020 through August 19, 2020 - City- \$209,001.89, Library - \$1,044.23, July 2020 Revenues - \$184,137.00, July 2020 Expenses - \$159,186.51 d) Treasurer's Report for July 2020 e) Liquor License Renewal Backwoods and Steve's Silver Dollar. Prior to the vote Carroll did ask that the council be considering a solution for the costs of moving the docks as much of rental income is going to pay this expense leaving very little for public dock and riverfront improvements. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Hearing of Delegations: Mayor Troester thanked the council for approving the Turner Park Splash Pad and for the many donations made to the project. There has been a great turn out of children using the facility. It is truly a project that is a benefit to the area.

Police report: Chief Millin with STEP coming up traffic surveys are planned that will track speeds, violations, and other traffic related issues. Truck traffic will be included in the study. Operations report: City crews assisted to get the splash pad up and running, construction of a pad and wall for a memorial, pot hole filling, and mowing continues.

A public hearing was held to provide information on the city's intent to submit a USDA funding request for the main street sewer project. Mark Davy and Alex Jaromin were in attendance via zoom and provided an update on the status of the planning and design, projected agency approval dates, public informational meetings, and bidding timeframe. Timing will become more concrete as agencies complete their reviews and provide approval of the scope of the work. The initial scope of the project has changed to include a lift station on lower main street and a screen at the sewer plant. Other grant opportunities are also being considered.

Council reviewed three bids received for LP. Hallberg moved, seconded by Carroll to approve the bid from Three Rivers FS for 9,000 gallons at .879 per gallon prepaid. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Council reviewed the first request made for the Business Enhancement Grant for repair of the Strutt time/temperature sign. The committee had made the recommendation for approval. Hallberg moved, seconded by Carroll to approve the grant request. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. No action taken on a request from MFL

MarMac Booster Club. Carroll moved, seconded by Echard to approve a permit for use of city property for the chamber for Labor Day activities in Triangle Park. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Scott moved, seconded by Hallberg to approve a permit for use of city property for the chamber for Fall and Leaf arts and crafts Oct 3-4 and Oct 10-11 for activities in an around Triangle Park, A street and 1st St. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Scott moved, seconded by Carroll to approve a permit for use of city property for Steve’s Silver Dollar for music in the small parking lot for Saturdays 6-10 p.m. and Sundays 2-6 p.m. August 22-23 through October 24-25. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Halvorson moved, seconded by Scott to approve a permit for use of city property – Friends Helping Friends Cancer Benefit September 12 1st street by Triangle Park. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

The council reviewed final cost of Turner Park Splash Pad, the 6th St. box culvert, and options for the alternate project on Ash St. Projected fund balances were discussed taking into account revenue reductions for road use tax and local option street funds. Options for the alternate project were to remove several components of the proposed scope, do only the two small inlet projects with all engineering paid for a shovel ready project, or do the project in full as originally bid. After discussions Carroll moved, seconded by Scott to approve a reduction in scope of project that would remove the curb and gutter along Ash Street from that portion of the project and delete the A street inlet improvements on the main storm sewer channel. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Hallberg moved, seconded by Echard to set a public hearing date for September 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. to approve plans, specifications, form of contract and opinion of cost for the FEMA Alternate Project. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

Echard moved, seconded by Hallberg to approve Resolution 01-08-2020 approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Debt Report. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Halvorson moved, seconded by Echard to approve Resolution 02-08-2020 Supporting Iowa’s Great Places Program and Grant Application for Trail Expansion to Driftless Area Wetland Centre. Roll call vote – Ayes – all. Motion carried. A pledge amount will be determined prior to submission of the full grant application if invited. Carroll moved, seconded by Scott to approve Resolution 03-08-2020 Approving Transfer of Funds for Turner Park Splash Pad. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Halvorson moved, seconded by Echard to approve Resolution 04-08-2020 Authorizing Transfer of Funds for the 6th Street Box Culvert Project. Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

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

Lyle J. Troester, Mayor:

Attest:

Lynette L. McManus, City Administrator