

ORIENT, IOWA
JANUARY 14, 2008
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR SESSION: Present: Mayor Gary Metzger; Council Members - Michael Cooley, Larry Lemon, Jolene Neal, Deb Shinn. Absent: none (1 vacancy).

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as mailed and read; agenda as posted; bills presented and reviewed. L. Lemon so moved and second by J. Neal. All voting aye, motion carried.

VENDOR:

Salaries less tax-5441.23
Sharon Mensing-Library Director Comp.-308.00
Polly Ruth-Library Assistant-520.80
IPERS-December return-790.43
Farmers & Merchants Bank-December withholding deposit-1851.59
Treasurer, State of Iowa-December state tax return-290.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa-December sales tax-277.00
United Healthcare-health ins. premium-823.05
Farmers & Merchants State Bank-deposit to HRA-167.00
Delta Dental-dental ins premium-149.69
Quik Shop-fuel and supplies-425.06
SIRWA-bulk water purchase-2478.00
SIRWA-sewer charges-64.00
Iowa Telecom-rent,tolls,line service-fire stn.-377.47
Alliant Energy-gas bills-176.23
CIPCO-phone charges-11.53
SIMECA-November power purchase-12,451.11
State Farm Ins.-health ins.sup.-191.53
Farmers & Merchants Bank-rent exchange-225.02
Johnson Welding-equip/city shop maint-363.84
Wallace Auto Supply-equip maint-17.37
IAMU-dues-309.72
Adair County Free Press-publishing-73.42
Mangold Environmental Testing-water testing-30.00
Iowa League of Cities-MLA workshop fee-95.00
Farmers & Merchants State Bank-petty cash (Christmas)-100.00
Adair County Landfill-quarterly assessment-1005.00
Agriland FS, Inc.-snow removal fuel-118.88
Greenfield Veterinary Clinic-animal contract-49.00
USTI-billing cards-100.00
IMFOA-membership dues-30.00
SWCC-EMS training-65.00
Matt Parrott & Sons-billing expense-47.38
Iowa Utilities Board-remainder assessment-26.00
True Value-salt/equip maint-31.95
Data Tech-W-2 Forms-42.00
Iowa One Call-operation maint-16.20

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$29539.50

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To fill the vacancy left on the council by the resignation of Jerry Sevier effective December 31, 2007, a Notice of Intent to Fill Vacancy by Appointment was published December 19, 2007, as provided by law. Only one letter of interest was received at City Hall. Because of his experience on the council for the last six years and active on the finance/utility committee for four years, M. Cooley made motion to appoint Doug Brown to fill the vacancy until the next pending election, which will be November, 2009. Second by L. Lemon. All aye, motion carried.

As Rachel Metzger had expressed interest of being the city representative on the library board and there being no other interested citizens, L. Lemon, therefore, made motion to appoint Rachel Metzger to the library board, second by J. Neal. All aye, motion carried.

Mayor Metzger appointed Larry Lemon as Mayor Pro tem. Approved by council, so moved by M. Cooley and second by D. Shinn. All aye, motion carried

Mayor Metzger reappointed Ellen Pool as City Treasurer and Jerry Sevier as Fire Chief. Approved by council, so moved by J. Neal, second by D. Shinn. All aye, motion carried.

M. Cooley so moved to reappoint Julie Frederick as City Clerk and Mike Maynes as City Attorney, second by L. Lemon. All aye, motion carried. Mayor Metzger proceeded to administer the Oath of Office to the City Clerk.

Council committee appointments were tabled until next council meeting when a full council may be present.

J. Neal made motion to appoint Eldon Ray as primary representative to the Adair County Emergency Management Commission, which meets once a month in Greenfield, pending acceptance. Mayor Metzger will serve as Alternate. Motion second by D. Shinn. All aye, motion carried.

The Adair County Free Press was designated as the official publication for the City of Orient as well as the Farmers & Merchants State Bank the legal depository. Motion by L. Lemon, second by M. Cooley. All aye, motion carried.

Gary Lowe directed to check into the possibility of installing a heat houser on the city tractor and cost thereof, and due to immediate necessity, permission to go ahead with installation upon approval of Mayor Metzger. Motion by M. Cooley, second by L. Lemon. All aye, motion carried.

Council accepted the resignation of Julie Frederick as city representative to the Midwest Partnership Board and appointed Michael Cooley to be the new representative and gave approval to attend the annual meeting/dinner to be held January 31. Motion by L. Lemon, second by D. Shinn. All aye, motion carried.

Discussion of the water rate increase by SIRWA was tabled until next month.

J. Neal made motion, second by D. Shinn, to have the City Hall Hours printed on the outside front door of the bank. All aye, motion carried.

A building permit by Gary Parman for a new home at 301 West 3rd Street was approved. Motion by M. Cooley, second by J. Neal. All aye, motion carried.

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No further business, J. Neal so moved, second by D. Shinn to adjourn. All voting aye, motion carried.

Gary Metzger, Mayor

Attest:

Julie Frederick, City Clerk