A Regular Meeting of the

Lamberton City Council

December 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lamberton was held on December 12th, 2016, in the City Office at 7:00 pm.

Members present for the meeting were Mayor Bill Schaffran, Councilmembers Darrell Knutson, Terry Neperman, Lydell Sik, Dave Irlbeck and Clerk Flaig.

On motion by Sik, seconded by Neperman, the council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous meetings.

On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve claims #14264 through #14323 in the amount of $196,520.11.

Rosie Schultz was present to ask for a raise for her custodian position.

The Council approved the meeting schedule for 2017.

The Council was presented with the recycling schedule for 2017 with no notable changes.

On motion by Knutson, seconded by Sik, the council unanimously approved the 2017 the council unanimously approved the 2017 On & Off Sale Licenses for LJ on Main LLC. The city is waiting on an ordinance from the City Attorney that will allow Sunday sales. Also, a Sunday license will need to be applied for to sell on Sunday.

On motion by Neperman, seconded by Sik, the Council voted unanimously to approve new operating agreement with Plum Creek Regional Library System. The Council approved the Library Board hiring of Alicia Vogel as the Library Director.

Chief Hacker presented the Police Report. He asked the council about extending insurance coverage to include some or all of family coverage for employees. There has been a vehicle that is damaging Kuhar Park. He needs additional evidence bags. He is still waiting on the price for a slot through the training center in Marshall. The department recently completed a night shot at the city brush site. He requested flashlight holders and holsters for his pistol and optics for the rifle. The cost for these would be less than $1,000. On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Neperman, the Council voted unanimously to approve the Police report.

At 7:30 the Council held the 2017 budget hearing. Tom Anderson and Pete Furth were present. The budget contained a two percent increase for regular city employees and an overall three percent increase in the levy for 2017. On motion by Knutson, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve the 2017 budget and the following final levy for 2017.

Fund Gross Levy

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| General | 332,000 |
| Library | 39,000 |
| 2011 Series A GO Improvement  2013 Series B Refunding Bonds  2013 Series C Revenue Bonds | 20,179  69,573  0 |
| Total | 461,152 |
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Tom Anderson and Pete Furth talked about the value that had been placed on parcels of property that they own. The council will ask Assessor Scott Hammerschmidt to attend a meeting to discuss assessments. Mayor Bill Schaffran will also talk to the County Assessor about these matters.

Wade Wellner informed the council that cutting edges have been replaced on the truck and the broom has been replaced on the skid steer. The sewer pond discharges have been completed. On motion by Sik, seconded by Neperman, the council approved the maintenance report.

Wade Wellner had submitted his letter of resignation as Ambulance Director to the council. It was determined that members of the service that were interested in being the director should apply to the city and the council would consider them at the next meeting. Wellner would remain the director until he is replaced. He also showed the council the LUCAS device that the Ambulance Service received. The device performs the chest compressions as used during CPR. Training will take place in December.

On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Knutson, the council voted unanimously to approve the financial report including donations, operating transfers, new vendors and payment of between meeting bills in the amount of $5,156.67.

On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Knutson, the council voted unanimously to approve the engagement letter from Eide Bailly for the 2016 audit.

On motion by Irlbeck, seconded by Sik, the council voted unanimously to approve paying for $250 of family medical insurance each month per full time employee.

The Council was informed that the taxes on the clinic property will be going up in 2017 and the city will contact the Mayo Clinic about the rent on the building.

The petition for street vacation by the Leon Benedict property needs to be completed before any action can be taken.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Approved,

Steven Flaig, Clerk Bill Schaffran, Mayor

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