Council Meeting

The Graettinger City Council met in regular session Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. at Energy Panels conference room with Mayor Flaherty presiding. Present were council member Alderson, Masters, Armstrong, and employees Henderson, Petersen, and Anderson. Absent: Hoffman and McGrauth

Motion by Alderson, seconded by Masters to approve consent agenda.

- 1. Motion to approve agenda.
- 2. Motion to approve minutes.
- 3. Motion to approve bills.
- 4. Motion to approve financial statement.

Motion by Alderson, seconded by Armstrong to allow Iowa Lakes Regional Water to serve Daniel Clemens at 2741 425th Ave, Graettinger, Iowa for water service. All ayes. Carried.

Petersen reported on Well #8 project with the well being drilled at about 25', and plans are to drill to 32' to 33', and they will be doing the pumping test next week.

The Graettinger Municipal Utilities and the light plant will be installing electronic read meters for the gas, water, and electric utilities. Customers will receive a letter to schedule an appointment to have the meters replaced from Van Wert Company. There is no cost to the customer for this meter replacement, but customers are required to have the electric, water and gas meters replaced. The installation should take approximately 30-minutes and the installer will follow Covid 19 guidelines and will be wearing masks and sanitizing their equipment between each installation. All installers will have personal ID badges for easy verification and will travel in marked vehicles. Installation will start on August 31.

Motion by Masters, seconded by Armstrong to approve a quote from Larry Lair to install a storm sewer on Marvin Street for a cost of \$2000, and tile and intakes from Brown Supply for \$1200. All ayes. Carried.

Motion by Alderson, seconded by Masters to recommend garbage rates increase from \$14.15 per month to \$15.00 per month due to the increase cost of tonnage. All ayes. Carried.

Alderson introduced ordinance no. 214, "An ordinance amending the Code of ordinances of the City of Graettinger, Iowa, 2020, by amending provisions pertaining to solid waste collection fees". The fees were reviewed and recommended to be set at \$15.00 per month for recycling and solid waste consisting of not more than two (2) 32-gallon bags, not to exceed 50 pounds per week. With garbage sticker for additional bags at \$2.00 per bag. Motion by Alderson, seconded by Masters to approve the first reading of said ordinance. Ayes: Alderson, Masters, and Armstrong. Motion carried.

Tabled fees for vacating streets and alleys.

The mayor reported that the pool had a good inspection with the state and closing date is set for August 16th.

Alderson introduced resolution no. 29-2020," A resolution to certify debt against taxable property located at 306 N. Lincoln Ave, property owned by Asmar Abdul-Saleem" and moved that it be adopted. Seconded by Armstrong. Ayes-3. Resolution adopted.

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| Bills August 2020 | | | North IA Lumber | repairs shelter | 814.29 |
| Staples | toner | 197.95 | Team Lab | chemicals | 196.00 |
| Arnold Motor | filters | 135.60 | Michelle Roth | training | 142.50 |
| Bomgaars | spray | 8.37 | Treasurer, State IA | tax | 605.00 |
| Brown Supply | supplies | 1369.52 | V & K | engineer | 1196.00 |
| City of Graettinger | on acct | 200.00 | Hoch's | tree removal | 1150.00 |
| Clayton Energy | gas | 3837.69 | PEFA | gas | 1735.38 |
| EPS | postage | 41.48 | Van Wert Co | meters | 89475.00 |
| Graettinger Market | supplies | 140.27 | RVTC | loan | 8101.85 |
| GMU | utilities | 3908.87 | Roger Petersen | grant | 5000.00 |
| Groebner & Ass | supplies | 384.87 | Payroll | | 27182.96 |
| Harris Sanitation | contract | 5157.56 | Total | | 174,753.31 |
| Hawkins | chemicals | 399.50 | | | |
| IAMU | welding | 1566.16 | General | 37,604.98 | |
| IA One Call | locates | 35.10 | WRG | 5,000.00 | |
| IRWA | training | 320.00 | RUT | 5,154.63 | |
| Lawson | supplies | 150.21 | Employ Ben | 2,065.71 | |
| PACEDC | dues | 2532.00 | Debt | 8,101.85 | |
| PA Co Emergency | dues | 2802.00 | Water | 50,708.80 | |
| PA Co Engineer | driveway | 400.00 | CDBG Water | 1,596.00 | |
| PA Co Treasurer | contract | 741.33 | Sewer | 47,661.18 | |
| PRO | gas | 813.69 | Gas | 16,860.16 | |
| RVTC | phone | 492.51 | | | |
| Simmering Cory | supplies | 54.00 | Receipts | | |

| Treasurer, State of IA | tax | 194.00 | General | 16,001.51 | |
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| United Industries | supplies | 15.46 | RUT | 14,190.05 | |
| US Cellular | phone | 165.25 | Employ Ben | 627.10 | |
| UDMO | donation | 528.00 | Emergency | 59.09 | |
| Wellmark | insurance | 5761.61 | LOST | 8,836.26 | |
| PA Co Sheriff | contract | 4803.16 | Lib Mem | 5.35 | |
| IDNR | permit | 210.00 | Debt | 81,019.00 | |
| Utility Safety | supplies | 585.00 | Water | 11,611.95 | |
| In the Swim | supplies | 26.94 | Sewer | 12,034.52 | |
| Utility Equipment | supplies | 185.54 | Gas | 18,256.90 | |
| Culligan | water | 6.25 | Deposit | 583.27 | |
| Graettinger Times | legals | 375.90 | Storm Water | 971.39 | |
| Campus Cleaners | rags | 21.60 | | 164,196.39 | |
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Motion by Alderson seconded by Armstrong to adjourn at 6: 42 P.M. All ayes. Carried.

Michael Flaherty, Mayor Sandra Henderson, City Clerk