

Council meeting

The Graettinger City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall with Mayor Flaherty presiding. Present were council member Masters, McGrauth, and Armstrong Via phone and employees Henderson, and Petersen. Absent: Alderson, and Hoffman. Visitors: Ivan Dalen, Gerda Luhman, Joel Lair.

Motion by Masters, seconded by McGrauth to approve consent agenda. 1. Motion to approve agenda. 2. Motion to pay bills. 3. Motion to approve minutes. 4. Motion to approve financial statement. All ayes. Carried.

Motion by Masters, seconded by Armstrong not to allow payment for repairs to water meter service hookup as presented by Mark Hundefled. All ayes. Carried.

Motion by McGrauth, seconded by Armstrong to approve payment to Van Wert Company for electronic gas and water meters for a total of \$34,813.02. All ayes. Carried.

Masters introduced resolution no. 12-2021, "A resolution of the city council of Graettinger, Iowa to approve and authorize the mayor to sign an agreement with the State of Iowa for maintenance and repair of primary roads" and moved that it be adopted. Seconded by McGrauth. Ayes-3. Resolution adopted.

A public hearing was held for budget amendment for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020-21 for changes in the budget for Well #8 project, retainage for Robins Street project, PACGDC funds and storm sewer. No objections were heard or received. McGrauth introduced resolution no. 13-2021, "A resolution amending current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021", and moved that it be adopted. Seconded by Masters. Ayes-3. Carried.

Automatic systems were here to test Well #8 and it is ready to be used. Petersen will be putting this online next week.

Armstrong introduced resolution no. 16-2021, "A resolution accepting work for Layne Christensen Company", and moved that it be adopted, seconded by McGrauth. Ayes-3. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Masters, seconded by McGrauth to approve payment #2 for Layne Christensen Company for a total of \$2162.20. All ayes. Carried.

The council set opening date for the pool for June 4, 2021.

Alex Helmich was present asking the council to consider sweeping the seal coated streets to remove the excess pea rock on the sides of the streets, corners and at intersections. The council will have the street superintendent try it on Cedar Avenue to see how it works.

Wages for light plant board members were set at \$50.00 per meeting and \$75.00 for any board member who attends an out-of-town meeting, seminar, or education program on behalf of the light plant board. Armstrong introduced resolution no. 14-2021, "A resolution setting compensation for Graettinger Municipal Light plant Board" and moved that it be adopted. Seconded by McGrauth. Ayes-3. Carried.

The city is participating in a Downtown Walk with the Iowa Department of Economic Development. The Downtown Walk Around is scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, a team of 2-3 downtown development professionals from Iowa Economic Development Authority visits our community, they will have a brief meeting with community leaders, walk the downtown with the leaders and then come back two hours later with a summary of their visit along with some ideas for the community. They will follow up with a summary of the visit and ask that the community members have an open mind and allow them to identify the communities' strengths and weaknesses.

Discussion was held on the National Flood Insurance Program, the city is not presently in a flood plan, by adopting a plan, residents would be able to get flood insurance if they so wished. Masters introduced resolution no. 15-2021, "A resolution applying for Flood insurance by the City of Graettinger", and moved that it be adopted. Seconded by Armstrong. Ayes-3. Resolution adopted.

Claims			PEFA	gas	2122.80
Arnold Motor	supplies	225.13	H & D Underground	boring	750.00
City of Graettinger	on acct	175.00	Payroll		18700.07
Clayton	gas	7085.16	Total		61268.22
EPS	postage	16.42	General	18057.27	
Graettinger Market	bags	114.00	RUT	4336.83	
GMU	utilities	1860.46	Employ Ben	2163.37	
Harris Sanitation	contract	5248.72	Water	5613.10	
Storey Kenworthy	supplies	276.55	CDBG Grant	7674.59	
NWIPDC	administration	4552.00	Sewer	5263.28	
PA Co Treasurer	contract	703.00	Gas	17984.78	
Petty cash	flowers	23.41	Deposits	175.00	
Pro	gas	896.74	Recipes		
RVTC	phone	368.06	General	74043.25	
Treasurer State IA	tax	855.00	RUT	9829.33	
US Cellular	phone	165.11	Employ Ben	21192.59	

Wellmark	insurance	4819.73	Emergency	1996.98
PA Co Sheriff	contract	4617.54	LOST	7525.10
Nelson Technology	repairs	1605.00	Lib Mem	55.34
Graettinger Times	legals	429.52	Water	11682.55
Campus	cleaning	21.50	Sewer	12740.03
Graettinger Hardware	supplest	231.26	Gas	46194.83
Treasurer State IA	tax	524.00	Deposit	8.00
V & K, Inc	engineer	4788.40	Storm Water	963.13
American Underground	supplies	93.64	Total	186231.13

Motion by McGrauth, seconded by Masters adjourned meeting at 7:05 P.M.

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Michael Flaherty, Mayor

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Sandra Henderson, City Clerk