

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:32 p.m. on Monday, February 17, 2020 in the Council Chambers by Mayor Kiewiet. Present: Kuester, Stefl, and Miller. Absent: Hamann and Grineski.

Kuester moved and Stefl seconded the approval of the meeting agenda with no conflicts of interest noted. Motion carried three ayes.

Stefl moved and Kuester seconded the consent agenda consisting of: approval of the minutes of the regular session held February 3, 2020 and approval of the February 2020 bills list. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes.

January 2020 Expenditures per fund: General: \$94056; Road Use Tax: \$15054; Employee Benefits: \$62001; Local Option Sales Tax Fund: \$20180; Community Betterment: \$16446; Library Gift Trust: \$2844; Ambulance Gift Trust: \$821; Continuing Projects: \$56773; Water Fund: \$46840; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$29413; Sanitary Sewer Reserves Fund: \$6360; Sanitation Fund: \$25767; Ambulance Fund: \$76859; Storm Sewer Fund: \$811; Total: \$454225.  
January 2020 Revenues per fund: General: \$60129; Road Use Tax: \$36791; Employee Benefits Fund: \$2111; Emergency Fund: \$193; Local Option Sales Tax: \$20180; TIF Fund: \$1772; Community Betterment Fund: \$10090; Fire Equipment Reserve: \$160; Police Reserve: \$-21; Library Gift Trust: \$498; Ambulance Gift Trust: \$3021; Debt Service Fund: \$2075; Continuing Projects Fund: \$104485; Water Fund: \$45105; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$39877; Sewer Sinking fund: \$6360; Sanitation Fund: \$20423; Ambulance Fund: \$40632; Storm Sewer: \$4174; Total: \$398055.

Mayor Kiewiet opened the public forum at 6:33pm. No public comments. Forum closed at 6:34pm.

Mayor Kiewiet introduced Jamie Sadler and Karrie Hawk, Park Board Members. Sadler explained that the Park Board has been working hard a new vision for Belpre Park. Sadler commented that a private donator has reached out to the Park Board wishing to donate financially towards project for Belpre Park. The Park Board has established a steering committee to work on this project. LeAnn Doughty, Commercial Recreation Specialist designer, has presented the steering committee a rendering of Belpre Park potential renovations which includes the largest piece of equipment being 50% off until March 6<sup>th</sup>. The Park Board is requesting funds to cover this piece until fundraising happens. Discussion led to installation, site prep work and what to do with old equipment. Formal action will occur at next Council meeting.

Mayor Kiewiet introduced Dwight Gliem, Ambulance Chief and Paramedic. Gliem explained that with the expected increase in calls for the Ambulance Department, the administrative duties have also increased. The Ambulance Department has recently signed an agreement with the City of Dike to cover their needs from 6A-6P Monday through Friday and is also in discussions with BCERTS regarding their coverage as well. Gliem commented that by adding these two areas for coverage the department could potentially see 250-300 more calls for services. Gliem explained as Chief he is currently doing 32-40 hours of administrative work each week along with trying to take calls. The Ambulance Board of Directors is requesting creating an EMS Director position to oversee the EMS system within Grundy Center and cover the additional administrative duties. Further discussion and formal action will occur at next Council meeting. Gliem then discussed a need for a larger building if another ambulance would be purchased in the next couple years. Planning would need to begin for discussion purposes. No formation action taken at this time.

Miller moved and Kuester seconded action on Resolution 2020-12, a resolution selling of 601-603 6<sup>th</sup> Street property to GNB Bank. Stefl commented on observing about eight vehicles in the lot that are there every day and if sale goes through would those vehicles then go to the street. Stefl was pleased with GNB Bank wishing to beautify the area. Stefl asked if possible to split the lot or are there other options. Miller commented that City gravel lot on the across F Avenue is still available for tenant parking. Miller felt there are other options. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes.

Kuester moved and Miller seconded action on Resolution 2020-13, a resolution authorizing Mayor Kiewiet and City Clerk to execute deeds necessary for the sale of 601-603 6<sup>th</sup> Street municipal property to GNB Bank. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes.

Miller moved and Stefl seconded action on Resolution 2020-14, a resolution authorizing Mayor Kiewiet and City Clerk to sign the contract document with Boulder Contracting, LLC. For the Mill Street Reconstruction project. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes.

Stefl moved and Miller seconded approval of the Mayor's appointments of Jerry Smith, Zoning Administrator and Seth Schroeder, City Attorney, for one year terms ending December 31, 2020. No further discussion, motion carried three ayes.

Finance Committee commented that meeting was held to begin FY2021 budget discussions; Clerk distributed a capital improvement plan; discussion on need to take out debt right now with interest rates low and other debt being paid off soon; Audit FY2019 is completed and will be presented at next meeting.

Public Safety Committee made no further comments.

Public Works Committee made no comments.

Stefl moved and Kuester seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:56pm. Motion carried three ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, March 2, 2020 at 6:30pm.

---

Al Kiewiet, Mayor

---

Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk