

OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS: City of Kanawha

Kanawha City Council

Proceedings from April 13, 2021

The Kanawha City Council met in regular open session Tuesday, April 13th, 2021. The following council members were present: Judy VanderPloeg, Shirley Baker, Jeremy Purvis and Mathieu Lemay. Absent: Ray Bassett. Mayor Gloria Sobek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilperson VanderPloeg moved approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilperson Lemay moved approval of the minutes, clerk's report and payment of the following bills:

Mid-America Publishing	
-publications.....	221.01
Swenson Hdwe-cleaner,	
other.....	21.98
Ag Source-water tests.....	76.75
Office Depot-hard drive, other.....	68.48
Gall's-police supply.....	105.95
Old Glory Farms-flags.....	120.85
Carlson Drainage	
-sewer jetting.....	265.00
Gold-Eagle-fuel.....	349.18
Hawkins-chemicals.....	1811.78
Hanson & Sons-oil change.....	46.95
Cintas-mops, rugs.....	168.12
North Iowa Environmental	
-operator service.....	600.00
Central Financial	
-insurance.....	35639.00
Iowa Dept of Pub Safety-on	
line warrants.....	1800.00
Compliance Signs-signage.....	114.70
ABC Allstate-floor waxed.....	750.00
Amsterdam Township	
-cemetery.....	4590.00
Riteway-bill cards.....	175.63
Next Generation-police	
system support.....	17.80
Natl Business Furniture	
-locker.....	484.10
IAMU-water dues.....	631.00
The motion was seconded. All	
were in favor. Motion carried.	

The following report was given to the Council:

March 2021 Expenditures

IRS-941 tax.....	2817.41
IPERS-ipers.....	1853.55
Principal-insurance.....	63.69
Sharon Grimm	
-reimb tow strap.....	12.99
MCI-phone.....	36.19
US Cellular-phone.....	268.24
Pitney Bowes-meter.....	171.00

Communications1-phone.....	580.10
Principal-insurance.....	110.99
Waste Management	
-garbage.....	483.18
Gall's-police outfitting.....	392.91
Mid-America Publishing	
-publications.....	373.80
Baker & Taylor-book order.....	366.03
Hennigar Construction	
-pay est #5.....	1520.00
Jesse Salinas-interpreter.....	50.00
Marcos Santoya-interpreter.....	50.00
Schleusner Trucking-sand.....	673.49
Trulsons-headlight.....	9.99
WHKS & Co-engineering.....	1710.51
Central Financial-insurance.....	634.00
Gold-Eagle-fuel.....	738.86
Hawkins-chlorine.....	20.00
IRWA-registration.....	315.00
Vessco-regulator.....	244.08
Hach-accuvacs, ascorbic.....	476.32
Ag Source-testing.....	293.50
Swenson Hdwe-scoop,	
hammer, other.....	138.20
Cintas-mops, rugs.....	112.08
Guideposts-book order.....	19.94
Office Depot-office supplies.....	71.44
JD Financial-batteries, other.....	105.97
Cengage Learning	
-book order.....	20.82
Curtis Memorial Library	
-book order.....	9.00
R&M-water heater install.....	1837.25
Electronic Engineering	
-hand held radio.....	101.95
Mike Christians	
-snow removal.....	230.00
Alliant-fire dept util.....	422.53
Delta Dental-insurance.....	126.60
Engaged Media-renewal.....	22.95
Gordon Flesch-library copier.....	48.98
American Patchwork-renewal.....	24.97
Hancock Health Systems	
-physical f.d.....	120.00
Country Woman-renewal.....	14.98
Sharon Grimm-reimb	
b-ball nets.....	80.23
DJ Martinez-reimb cert mail.....	11.60
MCI-phone.....	41.93
Postmaster-water bill postage.....	82.08
Communications1-phone.....	495.99
Wellmark-insurance.....	3241.26
Alliant-utilities.....	3261.22
Wells Fargo-equip lease.....	122.23
MCI-phone.....	36.19
US Cellular-phone.....	268.24
Visa-library supply.....	242.18

March 2021 Expenditure by Fund

General.....	16571.60
Road Use.....	2572.54
Emp Benefit.....	4240.65

Capt Project.....	3230.51
Library.....	2960.01
Water.....	6868.97
Sewer.....	357.84

March 2021 Revenue by Fund

General.....	2708.45
Road Use.....	2822.26
Emp Benefit.....	547.27
Local Option.....	12125.54
Debt Service.....	604.64
Library.....	121.00
Water.....	10436.90
Sewer.....	5722.56
Storm Water.....	1351.00

The following police report was given:

Hours worked:.....	209
Training hours:.....	18.5
Comp hours:.....	6.5

There were 54 calls for service

6.....	EMT calls
16.....	Traffic stops
5.....	Citations
3.....	Charges filed
6.....	Animal calls
3.....	Abatements
3.....	Disturbance calls
12.....	Speak with Officer

Concerns: Dogs running at large is becoming more of a problem as are junk/abandoned vehicles.

The Council stated that abatement letters will go out to those who have nuisance properties. The Council asked the Clerk to make notice that those who are physically unable to clean up nuisance issues should call City Hall and the Councilmembers/other volunteers would be willing to help.

Councilperson VanderPloeg moved approval of the police report. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilperson VanderPloeg gave the 1st reading and moved approval of Proposed Ordinance #041321, an ordinance raising water rates. The motion to approve was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilperson Baker gave the 1st reading and moved approval of Proposed Ordinance #041321-2, an ordinance raising sewer rates. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A recommendation was made by the Board of Adjustment to approve an application for a building permit. The issue being the structure would take more than 35% of the rear

yard. Councilperson VanderPloeg moved to accept the recommendation of the Board of Adjustment. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilperson Purvis moved to appoint D.J. Martinez as the City's Zoning Administrator. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A report was received from Brian Klein on water and wastewater operations. The report stated that all systems are operating normally. Also, Brian stated that an outlet pipe at the lagoon has been repaired.

Councilperson VanderPloeg moved approval of hiring Mosquito Control of Iowa for 2021 mosquito spraying for \$2290. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A proposal from Alliant Energy to retro fit all lighting in the City Hall building to LED was received. The total cost of the project would be \$6087 and with a project incentive of \$2782.52, the final cost would be \$3304.48. It is estimated that the project would pay for itself in 13.3 months. Councilperson Purvis moved approval of the project. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The agenda item of solar panels for City Hall was tabled at this time.

The agenda item of how vacation time is earned was also tabled at this time, while the employee handbook is reviewed.

There was then discussion of adding family health insurance to the City's employee healthcare plan as there are two new employees with young families. Councilperson Purvis made a motion to add family plans with the employee paying 15% of the premium. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

With there being no further business before the Council, Councilperson Lemay moved for adjournment. The motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Sharon Grimm, City Clerk
Gloria Sobek, Mayor

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