

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 pm, March 3, 2014. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Gary Heuton, Rich Newgard, Jean Swanson, Sid Enockson, and Julie Potter; Police Chief, Chris Toner; City Manager, Barbara Smith; Public Works Director, Julian Johnsen and City Attorney, Ann Beneke.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing for the fiscal year 2015 budget. Mayor Johnson asked City Manager Smith if there were any written objections on file to the budget. Smith answered no. After questions were answered from the audience, Mayor Johnson asked if there were any oral objections to the 2015 budget. Having no objections, Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing at approximately 5:25 pm.

Heuton motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Swanson. Ayes all; motion carried.

Pat Murray addressed the Council about the storm siren on the Fire Station. This siren must be set off manually rather than be activated by the county during severe storms as the second siren in town is able to do. A new siren will cost approximately \$14,000 or the City can purchase a new switch for \$1,984. The switch is allow the old siren to be activated the same as the second siren in town. Enockson motioned to approve the purchase of the switch with the funds coming from the general fund reserves; seconded by Newgard. Ayes all; motion carried.

Kate Ellis informed the Council that the date for the City Celebration will be July 18-20 and for Fall Fest, September 27.

Newgard motioned to approve the appointment of Luke Dahl to the ambulance service, pending a background check; seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

Newgard motioned to approve Resolution 09-14, FY 15 Budget, with the change of moving the \$1,000,000 budgeted for the New Pool from "Other Fees and Charges for Service" to "Miscellaneous Income"; seconded by Enockson. Rollcall vote: ayes all. Motion carried.

The fiscal year 2013 audit was discussed. There were no concerns or questions. Enockson motioned to approve Resolution 10-14, Approval of FY 13 Audit; seconded by Heuton. Roll call vote: ayes all; motion carried.

Newgard motioned to approve the server, phase II contract; seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

Heuton motioned to approve Amendment #1 to the Agreement for Professional Services with Bolten and Menk, seconded by Swanson. Ayes all; motion carried.

The proposed changes to the truck routes were discussed. Smith was instructed to bring the amended Ordinance to the next meeting.

Potter reported that the City will be a 5.65% increase in landfill charges, which is the second lowest in the county.

CLAIMS 3/03/14

AHLERS & COONEY	LEGAL SERVICES	195.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	915.05
AVESIS	INSURANCE	159.82
BARB SMITH	MILEAGE	18.37
BOLTON & MENK	ENGINEERING	220.00
BRAD TENDAL	MILEAGE	143.92
BROWN SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	386.59
DELTA DENTAL	INSURANCE	788.53
DENNIS FITCHETT	TRAINING	200.00
FIRE SVC TRAINING	TRAINING	220.00
HACH	TESTING	212.01
HARN R/O SYSTEMS	CHEMICALS	1,900.00
IRS	TAXES	9,230.89
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	POOL REGISTRATION	70.00
IA LEAGUE OF CITIES	CONFERENCE	100.00
IPERS	IPERS	4,107.24
IPERS/PD	PROTECTED IPERS	1,433.38
J&J SERVICE	REAPIRS	481.15
JAMES LITWILLER	BOOK	109.04
JULIAN JOHNSEN	MEALS/WATER CLASS	54.18
LMPC	UTILITIES	323.34
LMU	UTILITIES	8,278.54
LAURENS PLUMBING	SUPPLIES	1,274.28
LAURENS SUN	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	274.72

MET	TESTING	230.00
PAT MURRAY	LODGING/FIRE SCHOOL	409.26
PETE RUNNEBERG	MEALS/WATER CLASS	70.98
POC CO HEALTH DEPT	VACCINE	59.50
PRIME BENEFITS	INSURANCE	87.50
PRINCIPAL LIFE	INSURANCE	729.72
SAFE HAVEN	ANIMAL CONTROL	200.00
SHAMROCK	RECYCLING	1,574.71
STAPLES TREASURER, STATE OF IA	OFFICE SUPPLIES TAXES	57.39 1,522.00
UNITY POINT CLINIC	TESTING	74.00
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES	714.67
USPS	POSTAGE	307.40
WELLMARK	INSURANCE	<u>16,795.20</u>
	TOTAL	<u><u>53,928.38</u></u>

PAYROLL 02/17/14

001	GENERAL	3,354.59
110	ROAD USE TAX	1,164.69
600	WATER	2,143.78
610	SEWER	1,971.46
670	GARBAGE	<u>1,547.07</u>
	TOTAL	<u><u>10,181.59</u></u>

PAYROLL 03/03/14

001	GENERAL	7,672.80
110	ROAD USE TAX	1,219.41
600	WATER	2,110.06
610	SEWER	1,850.42
670	GARBAGE	<u>1,612.79</u>
	TOTAL	<u><u>14,465.48</u></u>

TOTAL PAYROLL 24,647.07

BY FUND GRAND TOTAL 78,575.45

001	GENERAL	24,644.73
110	ROAD USE TAX	6,063.45
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	11,535.82
600	WATER	16,510.98

610	SEWER	10,069.71
670	GARBAGE	9,335.76
745	STORM WATER	<u>415.00</u>
		<u><u>78,575.45</u></u>

Potter motioned to adjourn at 6:08 pm; seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Barbara Smith, City Clerk