

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 pm, August 4, 2014. Mayor, Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Rich Newgard, Jean Swanson, Sid Enockson, Julie Potter, and Gary Heuton; Police Chief, Chris Toner; City Manager, Barbara Smith; Public Works Director, Julian Johnsen, and City Attorney, Ann Beneke.

Newgard motioned to accept the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, minutes from the July 21 meeting, the list of claims, and the renewal of Laurens Lounge and Lanes liquor license; seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

Newgard motioned to approve the second reading of Ordinance 06-14, Property Maintenance Code and to waive the third reading of the Ordinance; seconded by Heuton. Roll call vote; ayes all, motion carried.

Newgard motioned to approve the second reading of Ordinance 07-14; Nuisance Abatement Procedures and to waive the third reading of the code; seconded by Heuton. Roll call vote; ayes all, motion carried.

Smith briefly explained the Resolution 27-14, Street Finance Report. Heuton motioned to approve Resolution 27-14, Street Finance Report; seconded by Swanson. Roll call vote; ayes all, motion carried.

Heuton motioned to approve Resolution 28-14, a resolution accepting the East Street and Veteran's Road project; seconded by Potter. Roll call vote; ayes all, motion carried.

Heuton motioned to approve Resolution 29-14, a resolution showing support for the Prairie Park Trail, seconded by Potter. Roll call vote; ayes all, motion carried.

Smith presented the Council with the City's debt levels from fiscal year 2005 through the proposed GO bond sale for West Main Street and Bissell Street for fiscal year 2016.

Potter motioned to approve the purchase of 100-18 gallon recycle totes for new residents and 25 larger recycle totes for the City's smaller commercial businesses; seconded by Heuton. Ayes all; motion carried.

Newgard motioned to move into closed session pursuant to Chapter 21.5(j) to discuss the purchase of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property, seconded by Swanson. The City Council entered into closed session at 5:23 pm.

At 5:41 pm, the City Council convened in general session. Potter motioned to allow an authorized representative of the City to negotiate on the City's behalf on the property of interest at a price not to exceed \$5,200. The offer should be set to expire at 5 pm on August 11.

During City Staff reports, Julian reported that they had installed a new roof on the building at the cemetery, a concrete sidewalk was being installed that will lead to the tables outside the library, and mentioned that three box outs around the manholes on Veteran's Road were moving when a vehicle drives over them. He will contact Bolten and Menk to see if they can encourage Carstensen's to repair these soon. Smith reported that the County received the federal disaster declaration on July 25 for the torrential rains from June 14-23. It will cost approximately \$43,000 to televise the entire sewer system in town. Smith also reported that the Housing Corporation of NW Iowa is considering an offer made on the Lake Street House.

During citizen's opportunity for comment, Alice Pomeroy talked to the council about allowing a swim with your pet day on the last day the pool was open for approximately the last two hours of the day. The council decided to take this up at a special meeting to be held on August 6, 2014 at noon; and Randy Hopkins spoke about concerns pertaining to various areas of the City.

CLAIMS	8/04/14		
ACCO	CHEMICALS		4,357.08
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES		3,697.98
B & K EMBROIDERY	POOL T-SHIRTS		108.00
BARB SMITH	MILEAGE		256.26
BROWN SUPPLY	SUPPLIES		469.90
CASEY'S GENERAL STORE	FUEL		62.47
CORSON'S CEMETERY	RESTORATION		1,248.00
FARNER-BOCKEN	CONCESSIONS		41.85
HAWK-I PLUMBING	NEW TOILETS		1,182.33
HEIMAN	FD AIR CYLINDERS		140.00
IRS	TAXES		6,693.44
IOWA CODIFICATION	ORDINANCE UPDATES		1,011.00
IDNR	DUES		210.00
IPERS	IPERS		4,487.00
IPERS/PD	PROTECTED IPERS		1,754.12
JAMES LITWILLER	SUPPLIES		31.02
JCL SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES		107.69
KRIZ-DAVIS	LIGHTS FOR PARK		1,664.67
LAURENS EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES		12.12
LMPC	COMMUNICATIONS		344.81
LMU	UTILITIES		6,303.23
LAW ENFORCEMENT	SUPPLIES		217.00
MET	ANALYSIS		223.00
MARTIN MARIETTA	ROCK		331.69
MENARD'S	SUPPLIES		58.47
METHODIST MEN	MEALS FOR WINERIES		54.00
POC CO CLERK OF CT	COURT COSTS		60.00
POC COMMUNITY HOSP	DUES		2,000.00
POCAHONTAS EQUIP	SUPPLIES		67.60
PRIME BENEFITS	INSURANCE		87.50
PRINCIPAL LIFE	INSURANCE		729.72
PROFESSIONAL COMP	IT SUPPORT		1,150.00
R B LUMBER	SUPPLIES		844.87
RJ THOMAS	SUPPLIES		248.00
SENTRY GROUP	KEYS		15.00
SIMMERING CORY	CDBG FEES		1,900.00

TREASURER STATE OF
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TAXES 4,710.00
46,879.82

7/21/14 PAYROLL

001 GENERAL 10,285.33
110 ROAD USE TAX 1,248.80
600 WATER 1,594.05
610 SEWER 1,210.76
670 GARBAGE 1,430.66
15,769.60

8/1/14 PAYROLL

001 GENERAL 4,658.70
TOTAL CLAIMS 67,308.12

BY FUND

001 GENERAL 36,383.01
110 ROAD USE TAX 3,818.45
112 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS 318.29
170 CEMETERY 1,248.00
171 SISTER CITY 54.00
174 POOL T-SHIRTS 108.00
176 HOMETOWN PRIDE 1,664.67
313 EAST VET - WATER 1,900.00
600 WATER 13,028.09
610 SEWER 4,679.43
670 GARBAGE 3,903.98
745 STORM WATER 202.20
67,308.12

Newgard motioned to adjourn at 6:06, seconded by Potter. Ayes all; motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Barbara Smith, City Clerk