

September 21st, 2020

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Laurens Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 21st, 2020. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were Council members Jean Swanson, Aaron Christenson, Rich Newgard, Julie Potter, City Administrator Hilary Reed, Deputy Clerk Joan Hoben, City Attorney Ann Beneke, Public Works Director Julian Johnson, and Chief of Police Tom Shaw. Council Member John Jamison was absent.

Potter moved to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from the September 8th, 2020, meeting and the list of claims. Christenson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

CLAIMS 09-21-2020

ACE SIGN DISPLAYS, INC.	REPAIRS OF SIGNS	2,496.17
AFLAC	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	593.38
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	OXYGEN CYLINDERS	67.58
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	OCT EYECARE INSURANCE	175.46
BAKER & TAYLOR	AUG BOOK PURCHASES	407.13
BOJI INFORMATION SYSTEMS	WEBSITE CONSULT	30.00
BOLTON & MENK	CEMETERY SURVEY	957.00
BRET BRANDT	POLICE REIMBURSEMENT FOR PENGO	480.00
CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERVE NOTICE	63.10
COUNSEL	COPIER MAINT.	76.77
DELTA DENTAL	OCT DENTAL INSURANCE	790.24
DOLLAR GENERAL - REGION 410526	COVID SUPPLIES	20.00
FIRST COOP ASSOCIATION	CHEMICALS	469.68
HALLETT MATERIALS	8.21 TO COLD PATCH	3,057.10
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	4,097.32
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	WEED SPRAYING	68.00
LMPC	MONTHLY PHONE FEES	480.72
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	383.88
LAURENS PLUMBING SERVICE	BALLAST REPLACEMENT	114.99
LAURENS STATE BANK	POSTAGE	108.99
LEE BAILEY	MOWING	360.00
MET	WATER PLANT TESTING	493.00
THE MESSENGER	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	249.60
OVERDRIVE, INC.	EBOOKS	464.44
POCAHONTAS CO. TREASURER	PROPERTY TAXES	1,224.63
POCAHONTAS CO. SOLID WASTE	MONTHLY LANDFILL	5,835.83
POPULAR SUBSCRIPTION SVC	MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION	803.96
R&D INDUSTRIES, INC.	TECH SUPPORT	377.91
SECURE SHRED SOLUTIONS	PAPER SHREDDING	24.00
SHAMROCK RECYCLE, INC.	MONTHLY CURBSIDE RECYCLING	1,785.51
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	TESTING	125.00
STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA	BRIDGES PLATFORM FEE	114.80
STONY CREEK LANDSCAPES, INC.	3 CONCEPT DESIGNS	5,000.00
TOM SHAW	POLICE REIMBURSEMENT FOR PENGO	320.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	MONTHLY CELL PHONES	261.96
WELLMARK	OCT MONTHLY HEALTH INSURANCE	9,872.12
ZIEGLER	FLEX PINS FOR PENGO	71.10
	TOTAL	<u>42,321.37</u>
		9/8/2020
001	GENERAL	4,257.47
110	ROAD USE TAX	1,292.34
600	WATER	2,398.13

	610	SEWER	1,965.13
	670	GARBAGE	<u>2,393.98</u>
		TOTAL	12,307.05
		PAID TOTAL	54,628.42
BY FUND			
	001	GENERAL	13,181.82
	110	ROAD USE TAX	4,970.66
	112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	5,654.96
	176	HOMETOWN PRIDE	7,496.17
	600	WATER	5,635.73
	610	SEWER	5,258.27
	670	GARBAGE	<u>12,430.81</u>
		TOTAL BY FUND	<u><u>54,628.42</u></u>

Fire Chief Pat Murray was for approval of hiring Jeremey Fulkerth as a new fireman. Newgard so moved. Swanson seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Newgard moved to approve the resignation of Police Officer Mason McGrauth. Potter seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Discussion on policing staffing and search was held. Input was provided from the community.

Discussion was held on the possibility of reopening the basement. Christenson motioned to have the basement remain closed to renters during this time. Newgard seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Reed reported during city staff reports that the magician will be held at the Laurens Public Library on Saturday, October 31st at 4:00 p.m., and Trick or Treating will be held following the magician from 5-7 p.m. Furthermore, Fall Clean up Days will be held from Friday, October 16th-Sunday October 25th.

Potter moved to adjourn at 6:12 p.m. Christenson seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Hilary Reed, City Clerk